

ND Behavioral Health Planning Council
July 10, 2018
Draft Meeting Summary

BHPC Members Present: Lorraine Davis (Member at Large), Jodi Stittsworth (Family Member of A Child with SED), Paul Stroklund (Family Member of an Adult with SMI), Lisa Peterson (Principle State Agency: Criminal Justice), Jennifer Henderson (Principle State Agency: Housing), Stacey Hunt (Private Mental Health Provider), Shauna Eberhart (Family Member of a Veteran), Brad Hawk (Indian Affairs Commission), Teresa Larsen (Protection & Advocacy Project), Rosalie Etherington (DHS Behavioral Health Delivery System), Kurt Snyder (Individual in Recovery – SUD), Brenda Bergsrud (ND Consumer Family Network), Pam Sagness (Principle State Agency: Mental Health), Carlotta McCleary (ND Federation of Families for Children’s Mental Health), Carl Young (Family Member of a Child with SED), Kirby Schmidtgall (ND National Guard), and Glenn Longie (Tribal Behavioral Health Representative).

Others Present: Julie Huwe, ND Department of Human Services, Behavioral Health Division

Facilitated by: The Consensus Council, Inc.

Call to Order: Chair Lorraine Davis called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. and requested introductions from Planning Council members. Special welcome was made to newly appointed members. The BHPC now has a full 30-person Council.

Review of 5/23/18 Meeting Minutes: The minutes (emailed previously) were reviewed and minor edits suggested. These corrections have been made.

TERESA LARSEN MADE AND JEFFREY HERMAN SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES OF 5/23/18 AS CORRECTED. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The minutes will be sent to BHPC members and posted for public review.

Review of Draft Letter to Governor Burgum: There was discussion regarding the draft letter to the Governor, prepared by the “Recommendations Committee” comprised of Lorraine Davis, Kurt Snyder, and Carlotta McCleary. Several changes were recommended and will be made to the document. The final draft will be sent to the BHPC members for one last review before submitting to the Governor’s office.

TERESA LARSEN MADE AND CARL YOUNG SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR WITH THE CHANGES RECOMMENDED. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVED 10.17.18

Review of Revised Bylaws: There was discussion regarding the BHPC Bylaws, prepared by the “Bylaws Committee” comprised of Lisa Peterson, Teresa Larsen, and Tami Conrad (ND Department of Human Services). Several changes were recommended and will be made to the document.

TERESA LARSEN MADE AND GLENN LONGIE SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE REVISED BYLAWS WITH THE CHANGES RECOMMENDED. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chair Lorraine Davis left the meeting for another meeting at 2:00 p.m. Kurt Snyder, Vice-Chair, assumed the role of the Chair.

Other Business: There was a request for information regarding the BH Block Grant funds. Pam Sagness reported that there is an Increase of \$179,000 in this Block Grant, constituting a 19% increase, overall.

A specific request was made to identify the number of children with Severe Emotional Disturbances (SED) being served by the state Human Service Center System. **(FACILITATOR NOTE: Dr. Rosalie Etherington responded with the following information on 7.16.18):**

“Here are the #s from the HSC. As I stated in the meeting we already know the youth identified as SED is an underestimate of those youth SED served in HSC because of how the information is gathered.

2016 data

- SED definition: any diagnosable mental illness plus a severe functional impairment as measured by an objective test*
- SED subset in jeopardy of institutionalization, or transitioning from institutionalization, qualifies for targeted case management*
- HSC 2016 total children served 3,586*
- HSC 2016 total children receiving targeted case management 1033*

The HSC data inaccurately categorizes only the targeted case management group as SED and therefore this number likely under-represents the total number of children qualifying as severely emotionally disturbed.”

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by the Call of the Vice Chair at 3:20 p.m.

Next Meetings:

Wednesday, October 17, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. CT in Bismarck

Wednesday, December 19, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. CT in Bismarck