

NORTH DAKOTA MENTAL HEALTH PLANNING COUNCIL MINUTES

– **Comfort Inn – Bismarck, ND –**
- **May 1, 2009**
- **2nd Quarter Meeting**

Members/Others Present

Randy Solem, Chair

Teresa Larsen

Susan Wagner, DHS MHSA

Minerva Zimmerman

Deb Jendro

Drinda Olsen

Susan Helgeland

Tim Sauter, DHS WCHSC

Carlotta McCleary

Becky Severt, Vice Chair

JoAnne Hoesel, DHS MHSA

Maria Gokim, DHS MHSA

Diane M. Kleven

Lauren Sauer, DHS MHSA

Delores Hummel

Harley Engelman, DHS VR

Ken Gerhardt

Sara Highum

Call to Order/Welcome/Introductions

JoAnne Hoesel presented Randy Solem with a plaque as this was his last meeting with the Council.

Randy Solem, Council Chair, called the meeting to order.

1. Introductions

Those present introduced themselves.

Discussion of Agenda Items/Other Discussion

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the last meeting were approved.

3. Additions to the Agenda

Status of the grant for the RFP for the Consumer & Family Network (Western Sunrise) was discussed.

JoAnne Hoesel stated that Dawn Pearson is reviewing and that the contracts might be renewed within the next two weeks. JoAnne also stated that the money is in the Division budget and that recoveree trainings would increase from two to four.

4. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

5. Legislative Session and Department Budget: JoAnne Hoesel

JoAnne reported that the Division's budget has not yet been finalized by the Legislature. Items that are still in the budget at this time:

- Peer Support (\$300,000)
- Statewide Behavioral Health Package
- Cooper House Initiative
- Contracts and Medicaid (6% increase—inflationary)
- Third tier of Personal care (up to 10 hours/day)
- Healthy Family Fund (in Grand Forks – may expand to Bismarck)
- Compulsive Gambling Treatment Program
- Governor’s Prevention Advisory Council (\$100,000)
- Autism Waiver
- Traumatic Brain Injury (\$330,000)
- Centers for Independent Living
- Case Load Utilization
- Community of Care Program (Aging Resource Center is out)

6. Division Reports

Susan Wagner

- IDDT (Integrated Dual Disorders Treatment)
 - Quadrants 3 & 4 will be reviewed in June
 - The pilot project in Fargo has 39 consumers
- TBI (Traumatic Brain Injury)
 - They are working on goals of Grant (Peer Mentoring Project) and working towards finishing before March 2010
 - Working with Tribal Committees
- Transition Flex Fund
 - To date the fund has assisted 22 youths in the transition to adulthood.
- Suicide Prevention
 - Grant Dollars are available
 - There are 6 projects currently funded (Bismarck, Fargo, Grand Forks and Minot)
 - Out of Darkness Walk raised over \$11,000 in Bismarck last year; this year’s walk will be held on October 3
 - 50% of the dollars raised goes directly back to the community
- Housing Initiative
 - Housing Summit will be held on July 24
 - Olmstead Conference will be bringing in a spokesperson, Marie Williams, from Tennessee to discuss their results
- YAC (Youth Advisory Council)
 - Klein’s Theatre worked with 30 youths and 4 staff members to perform a skit
 - The older group of YAC members performed at SADD meeting
 - Pam is taking some of the older members to the National Conference as part of EUDL (Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws)

- Supported Employment (IDDT)
 - Consultants from Ohio will be conducting a baseline review next Monday in Fargo
 - Have a contract with Community Options to serve up to 50 consumers; a small group of consumers has been referred already
 - They are conducting competitive employment which involves rapid job search and there are job coaches

JoAnne Hoesel

- There are 2 Federal Reviews coming up in June & August for Substance Abuse
- Autism Task Force is forming in July
- Dawn Pearson submitted a Grant application for the Devil's Lake area

7. Clinical Forum Conference Update (Lauren Sauer)

- Scheduled for May 12-14 at the Seven Seas in Mandan; can register online
- The pre-conference will be on May 11

HSC Licensing Review Process

- Lake Region will be the first on May 6; South Central will be the last one done in August
- Don, Lauren and Kris will be conducting; contracting others to review

National Block Grant Conference

- Will be on June 18 in Washington D.C.
- Pre-conference is on June 17
- Lauren and Maria will be attending as well as Becky from the Council

Governor has approved the addition of 2 youth to the Council

Person-Centered Treatment Planning

- In Phase 3 of training until September
- Phase 4 starts in October
- Lauren is recommending Block Grant funds to further the program
- The next Council meeting will be looking at the Block Grant

8. Update on Disaster Mental Health Activities: Lauren Sauer

- The President issued a Presidential Disaster Declaration on March 25
 - This has been expanded to Individual Assistance and there are Crisis Counseling Grants available (**ISP** – first 60 days; **RSP** – regular services next 90 days)
 - There is a Needs Assessment which includes the number of homes destroyed and the number of people affected
 - The dollars come from FEMA for the ISP
 - SAMSA controls the dollars for the RSP

9. Other News

Susan Wagner

- National Association for Rural Mental Health annual meeting is going to be held June 17-20 in Albuquerque, New Mexico
- Bonnie Selzler will present
- Scholarships are available

Susan Helgeland

- Handed out information regarding:
 - Stress Reactions/Coping Tools
 - 2-1-1 Bookmarks

Carlotta McCleary

- Governor has declared the first in week in May: Awareness for Childrens Mental Health Issues
- There will be a walk on May 30 in Bismarck

Deb Jendro

- There will be a Childrens Mental Health Fair in Fargo
- There will also be a barn dance on May 9 for Mental Health

Nominating Committee for Vice Chair:

- Tim Sauter, Diane Kleven, Teresa Larsen and Rick Hoekstra

10. Meeting was Adjourned