

Behavioral Health Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

February 19, 2021

Meeting Information

Time: 10 a.m. to noon	
Meeting Type: Zoom	
Chairperson: Kristie Schmiede	
Members Present: Algeria Wilson, Arlene Kashata, Ben Jones, Brian Wellwood, Briana Jacob, Eva Petoskey, Greg Johnson, Jamie Pennell, Jane Shank, Janelle Murray, Jeff VanTreese, Kaley Sopko (representing Paula Nelson), Karen Cashen, Kevin Fischer, Kevin McLaughlin, Kristie Schmiede, Larry Scott, Lindsey DeCamp, Lindsey Tyler, Malkia Newman, Marianne Huff, Mark Maggio, Melissa Potter, Michael Leathead, Michelle Roberts, Norm Delisle, Stephanie Oles, Sally Steiner	
Members Absent: Mary Chailman, ShaRon Crandell	
Non-Members Present: Allen Jansen, Brenda Stoneburner, Erin Emerson, Krista Hausermann, Melissa Rai, Paul Yeager, Rachel Rosendale, Wendi Middleton	

Agenda Items

1	Welcome and Introductions
2	Review/Approval of Minutes
3	Election of Officers
4	Psychiatric Bed Registry
5	Public Policy Report
6	MDHHS/BHDDA Update
7	Public Comment
8	Announcements
9	Adjournment

Decisions

1	Review/Approval of Minutes: Julie B. moved; Sally S. supported; minutes approved as written.
2	Election of Officers: Jeff V. moved for Kristie S. to continue as Chairman; Malkia N. supported; motion carries
3	Election of Officers: Jeff V. moved for Jamie P. to continue as Vice Chair; Sally S. supported; motion carries
4	Election of Officers: Jeff V. moved for Malkia N. to continue as Secretary; Julie B. supported; motion carries

New Action Items

1	Stephanie Oles - Public Hearing MSHDA is holding on next years public administrative plans. Stephanie will send Karen a flyer to send out the BHAC with more information.
2	Larry Scott – Gambling Symposium is 3/4/21 through 3/5/21
3	Krista Hausermann to send out Flyer regarding Warm Line hours and phone number
4	Sally S. – announced that the Department of Labor (LEO) is launching a new site for COVID-19 work safety

Bullet Points – BHDDA Update

1	Direct Care wage \$2/hr made permanent
2	Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHC) – Michigan joins a nationwide demonstration program which allows clinics to be reimbursed by Medicaid.
3	New psychiatric unit in West Michigan opening that serves COVID-19 patients with mental illness; Also opening is an Adult Foster Care 10 bed unit.
4	Changes in senior leadership – Elizabeth Hertel taking over as the MDHHS Director replacing Robert Gordon. Children’s Services Agency also has a new director, Stacie Bladen is the interim Director replacing JooYeun Chang.
5	Concerns regarding, a) The loss of communication about staffing availability, i.e. nurses, doctors, direct care work force. b) Lack of face to face services; c) Lack of people we are not reaching due to access issues; d) Improving Diversity and Inclusion

Announcements

1	Jamie Pennell. – asked about possibly adding as an agenda that the group bring ideas as to what they would like to make a change in this year.
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Meeting Adjourned

Future Meeting Dates

May 14, 2021

August 20, 2021

November 19, 2021