



Minutes

Mental Health Advisory Council
Tuesday, September 14, 2021, 2:30, Zoom

Attendees:

Members:	☒ Carl Harju	☒ Commissioner Mark Daleiden
☒ Cathy Elfstrand	☐ Eric Nagel*	☒ Sandra Greninger
☒ Stephanie Barnes	☐ Mary Sodergren*	☒ Tammi Dahlman
☒ Tina Sklors	☐ Jim Becker - absent	
☐ Dallas O'Dell*	☒ Katie Zehowski	*= excused absence
☐ Samantha Bavage*	☐ Caroline Malone*	

HHS Staff Attendees: Chad Miller, Gretchen Backer, Keith Bennett, Jacob Anson, Jill Pooler

Other Attendees: Leon Flack, Jennifer Jiang, Tom Feddema, Stacy Doyle, Krissy Eich, Dana Seelen

1. Welcome and Introductions (As of 09/14/2021, 14 voting members for MHAC)
 - a. Introduction of Lori Blaukat – Wright County Public Health
 - Unable to attend due to training
 - Keith Bennett did brief intro of Lori's position with Drug Free Communities
 - b. Intro of Keith Bennett – Wright County Public Health
 - Looking for community connections
 - Suicide Prevention
 - c. Resignation from Council approved on 9/13/2021
 - Stephanie Kantola – Village Ranch
 - d. New MHAC applicants were sent to the board and approved on 9/13/2021
 - Caroline Malone – District 2
 - Dallas O'Dell – District 1
 - Samantha Bavage – District 3
2. Approval of the Agenda (any additions)
 - a. Motion made by Tammi D., second Katie Z. – motion passes
3. Approval of MHAC Minutes from 07/13/2021
 - a. Motion made by Tammi D., second Sandy G. – motion passes
4. Sub-committee reports
 - a. MAPP (Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnership) Updates – Sarah G.
 - Jacob Anson - a vendor was approved for the community health assessment
 - Survey to be completed through the mail and surveying individuals online as well
 - b. Public Health, Suicide Prevention Grant Award Update(s) – Keith Bennett
 - Working on updating budgets and work plans

- Looking into having Safe Talk suicide prevention trainings starting Fall 2021 and increase frequency over time
 - Looking to involve schools and other community businesses
5. Unmet Needs and Possible Solutions Discussion
 - a. No additions
 6. Action Items
 - a. Press Release for MHAC
 7. Information Sharing/Other
 - a. Chad Miller announces the end of his employment with Wright County as of 9/17/2021
 - b. Drug Free Communities – Keith Bennett for Lori Blaukat
 - Keith sent Gretchen links to send out to the group for their review
 - c. Families First – Chad Miller
 - Changes in the works since 2018 that will go into effect as of 10/01/2021 for out of home placement process
 - d. Central Minnesota Mental Health Center (CMMHC) – Stephanie Barnes
 - CCBHC – certification is complete
 - Dr. Lee has announced his retirement in February 2022
 - Non-profit dental clinics will provide services to clients in need in Buffalo and Monticello locations once a month
 - (a) Services are income based
 - (b) All ages can utilize the services
 - ◆ Provide basic dental needs
 - e. Blue Cross Blue Shield – Jennifer Jiang
 - NEAR training
 - (a) Training on trauma and looking at healing communities
 - ◆ Ideal for community health workers, teachers, students, mental health professionals, etc.
 - Mobile Vaccination Buses were utilized and wrapped up end of August.
 - (a) Administered over 7,200 vaccines across Minnesota
 - f. FYCC - Sandy Greninger
 - Continues to work with connecting schools and families with mental health providers in the community
 - Offering scholarships to struggling families to attend FYCC programs
 - g. Functional Industries – Krissy Eich
 - Continue to help clients find and keep jobs
 - h. UCare – Leon Flack
 - Discussed the resource line for policy holders and providers
 - Can help provide other needed resources for clients

Motion to adjourn made by Tammi D., second Sandy G. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm.