

Minutes

Mental Health Advisory Council

Tuesday, September 12, 2023, 2:30 – 4:30 pm, Justice Center Rm. 86 and 87

Attendees:

Members:	☒ Carl Harju*	☒ Sandra Greninger*
☒ Cathy Elfstrand*	☒ Breanna Heintzelman*	☒ Tammi Dahlman*
☐ Caroline Malone*	☐ Bradley Gangnon*	☐ Kaylee Knight*
☒ Shauntel Fett*	☐ Kelly Hildre*	☒ Commissioner Jeanne Holland*
☒ Mark Daleiden*	*=MHAC Member (12 Members) (Need minimum of 7 for quorum)	

HHS Staff Attendees: Tarynn Anderson, Gretchen Backer, Keith Bennett

Other Attendees: Bethany Oberg, Dana Seelen

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Approval of the Agenda (any additions)
 - a. Motion made by Cathy E., Second by Sandra G., Motion carries
3. Approval of MHAC Minutes from July 2023
 - a. Motion made by Cathy E., Second by Breanna H., Motion carries
4. Sub-committee reports
 - a. MAPP – Public Health Representative
 - b. Suicide Prevention Grant Update – Keith B.
5. Unmet Needs and Possible Solutions Discussion
 - a. No additions to current list
6. Action Items
 - a. Volunteers needed for the Homelessness Task Force – Carl Harju
 - Meeting on 10.03.2023 at the WC Government Center
 - a) There will be an option for a virtual meetings
 - b) Joel Torkelson is coordinating this committee
 - Subcommittee developed from other committees to combat homelessness in the community
 - a) Sandra G. said she is interested in attending the meetings but unable to attend 10.03.2023
7. Information sharing
 - a. FYCC – Sandra G.
 - FYCC has a grant with money available to pay for counselling/therapy. Concerns on how to spend this money effectively and within confidentiality. This grant is from The United Way.
 - Reminder of “Bed for Kids” program, ages 2-17
 - b. CAMHI – Bethany Oberg
 - Bethany will send flyers to Gretchen for group distribution
 - d. Wright County Public Health – Keith Bennet
 - Buffalo Strong Street Party of Hope is on 09/14/2023, 4:00-9:00 pm.

- Food vendors, health and wellness, games – focus on community building and accessing resources as needed
- e. Wright County Social Services – Gretchen Backer
 - Suicide Prevention Awareness Month
 - a) Sunflowers hand made by Judy Ahlm distributed to those in attendance, extras to be brought in November to MHAC

Motion to adjourn by Sandy G., Second by Commissioner Jeanne Holland. Meeting ends at 3:15 pm.