

Attendees:

Members:	☐ Elizabeth Handt*(U)	☒ Roxanne DoBrava*
☒ Angela Lamarche*	☐ Jacquelyn Bergo*(E)	☐ Shirwa Adan*(E)
☒ Breanna Heintzelman*(R)	☐ Kelli Douglas*(U)	☒ Tammi Dahlman*(R)
☒ Brienne Elstad*	☒ Kirk Wulf*	(E)=Excused
☒ Carl Harju*	☒ Kraig Summerfeld	(U)=Unexcused
☒ Cathy Elfstrand*	☒ Mikki Northuis*(R)	(R)=Attended Remotely
☒ Commissioner Kirby	☒ Natalie McClory*(R)	*=MHAC Member (16 Members)
Moynagh*(R)		(Need minimum of 9 for quorum)

HHS Staff Attendees: Jill Pooler, Diane Erkens, Tarynn Anderson, Keith Bennett, Gretchen Backer

Others present: Bethany Oberg, Skye Handt, Faith Rohde, Laura Duhn, Foua Khang, Nolan Mulligan, Martina Boettcher

1. Welcome and Introductions
 - a. Resignation: Whitney McElhon
 - b. New Member Introduction: Kraig Sommerfeld
 - Lived experience with mental health
2. Approval of the Agenda (any additions)
 - a. Brienne E. made motion to add the intro of new member, Kraig, to agenda. Seconded by Angela L. Motion carries.
3. Approval of MHAC Minutes from 11.18.2025
 - a. Brienne E. made motion to approve. Seconded by Angela L. Motion carries.
4. Capitol Mental Health Presentation – Nolan Mulligan
 - a. 144 Bed adult psychiatric hospital
 - 6 units with 24 beds per unit
 - 18+ and not in high school
 - b. Future Service Lines
 - Partial Hospitalization (PHP)
 - Intensive Outpatient (IOP)
 - Outpatient (OP)
 - Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT)
 - Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS)
 - c. Call referral line: 763.237.6800, 24/7 availability for psychiatric referrals
5. Bylaw review and voting
 - a. Background on the Youth Coalition – Keith Bennett
 - Coalition started in 2025 and consists of youth and adult members.
 - The coalition would like to see some of the current youth coalition member(s) become members of the Mental Health Advisory Council.
 - b. Tammi D. makes motion to approve MHAC Bylaws amendments. Seconded by Brienne E. Motion carries.
 - c. Bylaws will need to go to the board for approval – more to come

6. Subcommittee reports

a. Youth Coalition – Keith Bennett

- Youth in Wright County, including middle and high school aged youth (ages 10-19), LGBTQ+ youth, low-income or housing-unstable youth, athletes (especially female athletes)
- Coalition focuses on building community capacity, strengthening relationships, improving systems and elevating youth voice.
- First Goal:
 - (a) Strengthening caring connections with youth and adults

7. Unmet Needs and Possible Solutions Discussion

- a. Review of 2025 Unmet Needs list – MHAC will need a volunteer to present this list to the board in May 2026. This can be revisited at the March 2026 meeting. Tuesday May 5, 2026 is the County Board meeting. Roxanne potentially is able but will have to review schedule prior to making a commitment.

8. PIT (Point in Time) Homeless Count

- a. January 28, 2026
- b. Wright County has been participating in this for many years. It will be determined where a person has spent the night on January 28th and if the person is considered homeless. No identifying information is sent. Done to count number of homeless people in the community and will impact funding that the county receives. Online reporting is available as well as reporting via paper. Some RSVP volunteer members will be assisting with this survey this year as well.

9. Information Sharing:

a. Food Insecurity Boxes – Kirk Wulf

- Neighbors Feeding Neighbors
- Community Centers
- Buffalo Community Church
- People have been willing to deliver these boxes to those in need

b. CAMHI – Bethany Oberg

- RFP back in December to expand non-MA ARMHS services
- Locked in date for May, full day training, May 19, 2026 – more details to follow
- 19 applicants for mini grants, all 19 applicants were approved for over \$66k in invoices for basic need things.

Cathy E. made motion to adjourn. Seconded by Tammi D. Motion carries, meeting adjourned at 3:26 pm