

MENTAL HEALTH CENTER (MHC) ADVISORY BOARD
Monday, August 27, 2018
Olathe

MINUTES

Members Present: Commissioner Michael Ashcraft, Roger Cooper, Gordon Docking, Erin George, Jane Fletcher, Nancy Ingram, Judge Michael Joyce, Michele Lockwood, Janice Love, Marilyn Scafe, Michael Seitz, Fabian Shepard and Scott Tschudy (absent)

Staff Present: Tim DeWeese, Tanner Fortney, Maury Thompson and Donna Berry

Guest(s) Present: Harry and Mary Bognich

Call to Order/Adoption of Agenda/Public Comments –

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Seitz at 5:30 pm. Guests were welcomed, but there were no public comments.

Ms. Ingram moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Docking seconded. Motion carried.

Board Member Comments/Concerns –

Mr. Cooper remarked it is always good to encourage people around you.

Ms. Ingram reported there was good energy at community events taking place since our last meeting.

Mr. Seitz stated that Mr. Fortney did a pretty good job at the last meeting and he thanked the whole team for efforts with the transportation program.

Mr. Shepard thanked Mr. DeWeese for the facility tours of Mission and Shawnee and was impressed that they are “no tobacco campuses”. He also remarked about attending the Departmental Overview and stated that there is a lot of information presented in one day. He also attended the Recovery Conference and was encouraged to know we get to be a part of a county that supports those resources.

Mr. Thompson remarked about seeing Mr. Fortney on KC review and thanked the staff as well.

Meeting Minutes Approval –

Ms. Fletcher moved to approve the minutes of June 25th. Ms. Love seconded. Motion carried.

BOCC Liaison Report –

Commissioner Ashcraft asked if the communication strategy (short and long-term) has been presented to the board and do we have plans for a Friends of Johnson County board. He stated other boards of types in the County have been effective. Mr. DeWeese stated that an external communication plan has not been put together, but he can do that and present during a future program report. He also advised that there is a Friends of Johnson County Mental Health and that board has not met in a very long while. The by-laws are being rewritten and they are in Legal for review now. There will be focus on a new energized effort for this board by the end of 2018.

Program Report(s) –

In lieu of a program report, Mr. DeWeese presented two videos for the board’s information. Due to technical difficulties, he will send these videos to the group via Dropbox. He shared that United Healthcare plans to increase their funding support for the transportation project. He then reported on the Stepping Up Initiative and efforts to keep people out the judicial system. Part of this effort includes the Veterans’ Treatment Court which is the first one in the state of Kansas for veterans not eligible for

VA service. The MHC has had two of the very first graduates as well. The next graduation ceremony is this week, Wednesday @ 3:15 pm in Courtroom 14 at the Court House.

Action Item(s) –

Immediate Action Request – Mr. DeWeese reported that we have received another funding increase from the state and Mr. Fortney presented the Immediate Action Request (IAR) recommendations for additional staff positions utilizing these increased funds. Mr. Thompson asked for a simple document stating which new approved positions are dependent on county funding and which are dependent upon state funding. Commissioner Ashcraft also asked for expected outcomes based on the increased staff.

Mr. Shepard moved to approve the recommended motion. Mr. Docking seconded. Motion carried

Director's Report –

- Mr. Fortney briefly reviewed the Dashboard/Financial report included in the packet. He reported that there was a dip in fee-for-service during June (generally due to vacations, etc.) but it has recovered somewhat in July. He also announced we are finally fully staffed in medical services and feels that this will result in fewer DNKAs and increased revenue.
- Mr. DeWeese distributed and highlighted specific items on his director's report, but asked that the full report be reviewed at their leisure.

Mr. Seitz entertained a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Docking moved to approve the motion to adjourn. Ms. Ingram seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

The next MHC Advisory Board meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. Monday, September 24, 2018, at the Olathe offices (1125 W. Spruce, Olathe, KS).

Submitted by:

Donna Berry