

**MENTAL HEALTH CENTER (MHC) ADVISORY BOARD**  
**Monday, November 27, 2017**  
**Olathe**

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Commissioner Jim Allen, Roger Cooper, Gordon Docking, Erin George, Jane Fletcher, Nancy Ingram, Judge Michael Joyce, Tom Keary, Michele Lockwood, Janice Love, Marilyn Scafe, Michael Seitz, and Scott Tschudy (absent)

**Staff Present:** Tim DeWeese, Susan Rome, Tanner Fortney, Liz Worth, Rob MacDougall, Jessica Murphy, Dan Livingston, Kim Rowlands, Beth Egbert, Taylor Hopkins, Megan Younger and Donna Berry

**Guest(s) Present:** Harry Bognich, Barb McEver and Jason Hinkle

**Call to Order/Adoption of Agenda/Public Comments –**

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

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

**Meeting Minutes Approval –**

Mr. Keary moved to approve the minutes of October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Ms. Lockwood seconded. Motion carried.

**BOCC Liaison Report –**

- Commissioner Allen is absent due to attending a legislative dinner to share the County platform with the Johnson County delegation. Mr. DeWeese will send the County's formal platform and issues special to the Center in early December.

**Program Report(s) –**

- *Johnson County Co-Responder Program* – Ms. Rome introduced members of the “dream team” (Co-Responder Program). Mr. DeWeese reported that the team will be receiving a recognition award for the program in early December. He also provided background information on how the co-responder program came to be. Ms. Rome played an integral part in presenting the idea and being diligent about getting it in place. Mr. MacDougall introduced his team and Ms. Murphy presented the program information and evolution. Ms. McEver shared a success story about how she became involved in working with JCMHC crisis services to help a homeless person receive the help they needed. The co-responders work with all aspects of the community to help link those in need with the services available. Sgt. Hinkle provided background information on the CIT (Crisis Intervention Team) officers' program and how it works in conjunction with the co-responder program. He also shared how the co-responder is an integral part of police departments and a success story that resulted in a person getting the help needed that may have resulted in saving their life. He also reported that the co-responders help break down barriers on those difficult calls. Questions were asked about expansion and Mr. MacDougall replied there are three additional positions slated to begin in the next six months, but the need will always be greater. The program we have in Johnson County is fast becoming a national model for law enforcement collaboration. Ms. Worth presented Ms. McEver with a certificate of appreciation for her work with the mental health center and the work she does for others out of the goodness of her heart.

**Dashboard/Financial Update –**

- Mr. Fortney shared the report, but stated there is nothing out of the ordinary. He did discuss the 7.82% projected fund balance and shared the reasons for it being lower than the 8% goal. There is not an issue of cash, it has to do with not being able to make any changes once the budget numbers are published. He also mentioned that the JCDS transportation pilot is a success and transit has asked the BOCC to provide additional monies to expand the program next year.

**Action Items – None****Director's Report –**

- Mr. DeWeese briefly reviewed his report as distributed (see attached). He reported that we will host the yearly legislative reception on December 18<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 pm at Barley's Kitchen & Tap in conjunction with our Wyandotte County counterparts. He also announced the half-day staff retreat taking place on December 15<sup>th</sup> from 1-5 pm at the Blue Valley Hilltop campus and encouraged board members who can attend to do so.

**Board Member(s) Concerns/Comments –**

- Ms. Ingram stated she plans to attend legislative event.
- Mr. Docking remarked that the program report was too long.
- Ms. Fletcher encouraged members to look up the Born This Way Foundation and the research they have done regarding stress and the youth of America.
- Ms. Love wished everyone a Merry Christmas.
- Mr. Seitz reported there was another suicide over the weekend at Blue Valley.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

**The next MHC Advisory Board meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. Monday, January 22, 2018, at the Olathe office (1125 W. Spruce St).**

Submitted by:

Donna Berry

**Director's Report**  
November 2017

**1. Announcements**

Legislative Reception (12/18 @ Barley's Kitchen and Tap – Shawnee)

MNH All Staff Retreat (12/15)

UCS Excellence in Community Service Award

Everyone A Leader (EAL Evaluation)

Overland Park Mental Health Diversion Program

2018 Core Operating Partnership Grant Award from the REACH Foundation (\$50,000)

KDADS CMHC Licensing Visit (2 year License)

Presented to the PRC regarding the 6 FTEs

Opioid Follow up Meeting - Strategy Discussion (11/3)

2017 Public Service Career Expo (11/8)

**2. Born This Way Foundation Event**

The Mental Health Department is co-sponsoring the "Born' This Way" event which is a part of Lady Gaga's Born This Way Foundation focused how parents and other caring adults can help support our young people's mental health and learn about resources available in your community. Nearly 250 people attended the event at Cleveland University on November 14<sup>th</sup>.

**3. The Johnson County Suicide Prevention Coalition**

Will be hosting its "Annual Report Out" on November 30<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 to 9:30 am at the Johnson County Arts & Heritage Center. This will be a great opportunity to network, share the coalition's initiatives of the past year, as well as share data and celebrate the 5 year anniversary of the coalition.

**4. 2018 Alcohol Tax Funds \$768,000 Preliminary Notification**

- Prevention Services
- Adolescent Center for Treatment (ACT)
- Adult Detoxification Unit (ADU)
- Adult Outpatient SUD Services

**5. JCDS Transportation Pilot**

Tanner attended a Transit Council meeting this month and the Council are recommending the BOCC give us \$75,000 to expand our transportation services to take on more JCDS clients next year. This will be annual, ongoing funding.