MENTAL HEALTH CENTER (MHC) ADVISORY BOARD  
Monday, September 25, 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, Maury Thompson, Rob MacDougall, Kevin McGuire, Polina Wittmann and Donna Berry 

Guest(s) Present: Harry and Mary Bognich and Henrietta 

Call to Order/Adoption of Agenda/Public Comments – 

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Seitz at 5:30 pm. Introductions of visitors were made. There were no public comments. Mr. Seitz asked if there were any additional items or changes to the agenda. He also stated that all efforts will be made to adjourn by 6:30 pm. 

Mr. Tschudy moved to approve the agenda. Judge Joyce seconded. Motion carried. 

Meeting Minutes Approval – 

Ms. George moved to approve the minutes of August 28th. Mr. Tschudy seconded. Motion carried. 

BOCC Liaison Report – 

- There was no report due to Commissioner Allen’s absence. 

Program Report(s) – 

- Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT) Services – Ms. Rome introduced Rob MacDougall and he gave a brief overview of Emergency Services and the teams/services included under that umbrella. He then introduced Kevin McGuire, MCRT Team Leader, who gave background information on how this team was developed to keep clients out of the hospitals. He then introduced Henrietta who shared her story with the group. A question was asked regarding the volume of calls that come in after hours and Rob stated that there are approximately 100-140/week during the day and about the same number at night. Mr. MacDougall fielded various other questions on After Hours and Mr. DeWeese shared information on how MCRT has evolved since he began there in 1993. 

Action Items – none 

Dashboard/Financial Update – 

- Mr. Fortney shared the report and pointed out that suicide rates have decreased. He also stated that the DNKA rates have decreased for August as well. Fund balance is projected to be at a positive amount and fee for service revenue is significantly higher as well. 

Mr. Seitz related that Commissioner Eilert expressed his congratulations to the board and appreciation for their work and the efforts of Mr. DeWeese’s staff to get to where the agency is today.
Director’s Report –

- Mr. DeWeese briefly reviewed the director’s report as distributed (attached). He asked that those who want to attend the Picnic in the Park to RSVP to Donna and she will have names added to the list. He also shared info re: the art show/chili feed will be held on Oct 5th and Mr. Cooper shared his experiences from attending the last couple shows and encouraged other board member’s to attend if at all possible.

Board Member(s) Concerns/Comments –

- Ms. Scafe would like the Suicide Prevention Coalition to present to the board at a future meeting.

Mr. Tschudy moved to adjourn at 6:28 pm. Ms. Fletcher seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:28 pm.

The next MHC Advisory Board meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. Monday, October 23, 2017, at the Olathe office (1125 W. Spruce St).

Submitted by:

Donna Berry
1. **Recent and Upcoming BOCC Proclamations:** On Thursday September 7th the BOCC made the following proclamations:
   - September - Suicide Prevention Month
   - September 10th - World Suicide Prevention Day
   - September 10th thru 16th - National Suicide Prevention Week

   This week on Thursday the BOCC will make the following proclamation:
   - October 1st thru 7th - Mental Illness Awareness Week

2. **Olathe Family Day:** Olathe’s Family Day is a joint effort between the City of Olathe, Communities that Care (CTC), Olathe Public Schools, Olathe Chamber, Olathe Public Schools Foundation, Johnson County Mental Health Center and Olathe Health. Family Day is a national initiative created by the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse to promote simple acts of parental engagement as key ways to help prevent risky substance use in children and teens. How will your family participate in Family Day? Post a selfie of your family enjoying the day to social media using #OlatheFamilyDay. Five participants will win prizes! For a list of ideas, activities and recipes, visit OlatheKS.org/FamilyDay.

3. **1st Annual MNH Department Picnic in The Park:** Friday, October 20th from 4:30 to 7:30 pm at Shawnee Mission Park – Shelter 8. Food and fun for the whole family! Offices will close @ 3:00 pm that day. When you RSVP, please indicate in the comment section the age of the child(ren) that will be attending with you, so we can plan our meal accordingly. Food provided by Two Guys and a Grill. More information to come. Get excited!

4. **Mental Illness Awareness Week Activities:**
   - Annual Activity Scholarship Fundraiser – Art Show and Chili Feed at the JCMHC Shawnee Office (Thursday, October 5th 4:00 to 7:00). Celebrating the work of creative artists of all ages in mental health recovery.
   - The S Word – Free showing of the documentary “The S Word” on October 5th 6:00 to 9:00 at Olathe West High School (220 W. Santa Fe). The film amplifies the voices of those living through suicide attempts and loss.

5. **Youth Leadership Symposium:** This week the MNH Department hosted a Youth Symposium where approximately 200 students from 28 Johnson County high schools and middle schools took part in a one-day event to promote student leadership to serve as catalysts of change with in the communities. The summit focused on reducing underage alcohol and drug use, preventing suicide, as well as encouraging healthy behaviors among youth in Johnson County.

6. **Lenexa Community Conversation:** I attended a small luncheon at the Lackman Library on Thursday, September 7th, hosted by the Johnson County Library. The meeting included community members from the City of Lenexa, the Lenexa Police Department, the Multi Service Center, Work Force Partnership and several local schools and churches. The goal was to provide an opportunity for a conversation about the services we all provide to the community, if we are seeing any needs that aren’t being provided, and discuss other ways we may be of service to each other.
7. **Telepsychiatry Initiative:** Tele-psychiatry is an innovative way of providing psychiatric care through telecommunication technology and offers a simple, easy-to-use platform to connect clients with mental health providers. Dr. Barbara Winkleman has joined our agency and will be a new prescriber located at the Shawnee office. She has several years of experience working within the Kansas Community Mental Health system and we are excited to have her as part of our team. She will begin seeing clients via tele-video on September 25th. Providing psychiatry services through telemedicine has been proven to be effective and well received for clients and providers, serving as an innovative method to improve access to care. Some of you may be familiar with tele-medicine, but for those of you that are not, appointments will be facilitated by a nursing assistant in a private office and the prescriber will be live via video conference.