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Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Wisconsin Council on Mental Health (WCMH)

April 30, 2018, 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm

1 West Wilson Street, Conference Room 736B, Madison, Wisconsin and Via Conference Call

Members of the WCMH Executive Committee in Attendance via Teleconference: Crystal Hester, Karen Iverson Riggers, Joanne Juhnke, Inshirah Farhoud, Bonnie MacRitchie, Mishelle O'Shasky

Department of Health Services (DHS) Staff in Attendance: Ryan Stachoviak

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Review and approval of the minutes of March 5, 2018

K. Iverson Riggers moved to approve the minutes of March 5, 2018.

C. Hester seconded the motion.

Motion carried, minutes of March 5, 2018 approved.

Announcements and Public Comment

No announcements or public comment were made.

2. Executive Committee Business

Strategic Planning: Next steps and moving from ideas to planning and action

Members of the Committee discussed plans for ongoing strategic planning. The expanded Nominating Committee will meet to further discuss membership, and take a deeper look at the Council's infrastructure. This includes discussions on orientation and mentoring. More information and opportunities for planning will be brought back to the upcoming Council meeting. This discussion should help identify people to work on various efforts and more these efforts to action.

Members of the Legislative and Policy Committee (LPC) had noted that they would like more feedback from the WCMH on white papers. J. Juhnke discussed an education policy document that could serve as an example for future white papers.

Discussion and Planning for the Community Mental Health Block Grant Expanded Funding

R. Stachoviak stated that the DHS staff can bring additional information to the upcoming Council meeting. If committees would like to discuss the block grant in greater detail staff could come to individual committee meetings as well.

2018 Fall Tour Planning

Members of the Executive Committee discussed plans for the upcoming 2018 fall tour in the Ashland area. R. Stachoviak presented a list of organizations and topics that had been mentioned by members of the Council at previous meetings. R. Stachoviak will bring this information to the Council meeting for discussion and to identify those top choices for the fall tour.

Discussion of the WCMH Bylaws

Members of the Executive Committee discussed the Council's bylaws. According to the bylaws the Council should review the bylaws annually. Various areas of the bylaws could be addressed by the Council including conflicts of interest and rapid response.

3. Committee Updates and Action Items for WCMH Meeting on May 16, 2018

Children and Youth Committee (CYC)

J. Juhnke and B. MacRitchie provided an update on the CYC. The CYC is working on shoring up the committee's state budget recommendations. These recommendations will be brought to the Legislative and Policy Committee (LPC) for inclusion in the documents being brought to the next WCMH meeting. The CYC also plans to present the Education Policy Principles document at the upcoming Council meeting.

Legislative and Policy Committee (LPC)

K. Iverson Riggers discussed the LPC development of the Budget Priority Document. The LPC plans to continue addressing this document and will bring it to the Council for consideration. The LPC can also share a document that was put together that will help members of the Council walk through the budget process.

K. Iverson Riggers discussed LPC discussions on how to address juvenile justice at the WCMH level. It may be a critical time to get involved in this arena given the importance of Trauma Informed Care. The LPC has reached out to other committees and asked if there would be members of the committees that would be willing to come together to formulate plans on how to better incorporate juvenile justice into the Council's activities.

Members of the Executive Committee discussed confusion over who would ultimately lead this group. There may be opportunities for providing support to outside groups that would involve the WCMH but would lessen the burden on the Council. The group could benefit by reaching out to some of the more grassroots groups that are working on these issues. C. Hester suggested that there be a representative on this workgroup from each of the committees.

Criminal Justice Committee (CJC)

M. O'Shasky provided a briefing on the CJC, noting that at the recent meeting the group had a presentation on a peer support and mentorship pilot program at the Wisconsin Secure Detention Facility. The program has observed many positive outcomes. The CJC hopes to continue to promote, peer supports in the prison.

Nominating Committee

K. Iverson Riggers briefed the group on the Nominating Committee. The Committee plans to meet on May 2nd to discuss the scope of the membership and infrastructure workgroup. There have also been interviews conducted and the Committee will discuss potential recommendations for new members.

4. Review proposed Agenda for WCMH meeting on May 16, 2018

The Executive Committee reviewed and confirmed the agenda for the May 16 Council meeting.

5. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm.