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

June 26, 2017, 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

1 West Wilson Street, Conference Room 1050B, Madison, Wisconsin and Via Conference Call

Members of the WCMH Executive Committee in Attendance: Matt Strittmater, Julie-Anne Braun, Bonnie MacRitchie, Joanne Juhnke, Tamra Oman, Shel Gross, Karen Iverson Riggers.

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

MINUTES

Item 1: Call to Order

Review and Approval of Minutes of May 1, 2017

S. Gross moved to approve the minutes of May 1, 2017.

J. Braun seconded the motion.

Motion carries, minutes approved.

Review and Approval of Minutes of May 15, 2017

J. Juhnke moved to approve the minutes of May 15, 2017.

B. MacRitchie seconded the motion.

Motion carries, minutes approved.

Item 2: Executive Committee Business

Committee Charters

M. Strittmater provided a briefing on the WCMH Committee charter development. M. Strittmater changed language regarding membership size, allowing for Executive Committee approval for committees larger than 15 members based on special circumstances. Members of the Executive Committee voiced their support for the draft of the charter. K. Iverson Riggers suggested that the language throughout the document be changed from people who are mentally ill to people with mental illness. The group determined to revisit the bylaws in the near future.

J. Braun moved to approve the Committee Charter document.

K. Iverson Riggers seconded the motion.

Motion carries.

WCMH Strategic Plan

M. Strittmater provided a briefing on a strategic plan document that he had drafted. Five broad areas are included that guide the Council's strategy. Various areas that the WCMH Committees have been working on are also included. S. Gross suggested this strategic plan could be framed in the discussion of the block grant at the upcoming meeting. M. Strittmater suggested that the current document could be a framework that could be further developed. B. MacRitchie suggested that the CYC would like some time to review this as there may be updates required. S. Gross noted that it would be preferable for more revision from the committees prior to presentation to the Council. How can we best reflect the strategic priorities for the committees in a manner that will be high level, and allow for room for specifics to change? S. Gross suggested each committee work on the document and then bring that information back to the Executive Committee for refinement. K. Iverson Riggers suggested that each Committee review the goal statements to review how the committees fit under the various goal areas. Members noted that should be language to clarify that committees are not necessarily responsible for all elements. M. Strittmater suggested that the committees review the complete document.

R. Stachowiak will look into video conference calls for meetings. Members of the Executive Committee discussed the WCMH Fall Tour. Southwestern Wisconsin may be a good option for the visit.

Item 3: Committee Updates and Action Items for WCMH Meeting on July 19, 2017

Criminal Justice Committee (CJC)

T. Oman provided a CJC update. The committee has spent recent meetings looking to address membership and ensuring that the right people are at the table.

Legislative and Policy Committee (LPC)

S. Gross discussed a motion to support SB265, SB266, SB267 and SB268. All are state bills designed to protect the provision of health care for those with a preexisting condition. These bills build those protections into state law. Members of the committee agreed that as the Council has made formal support for these types of protections in the past a formal motion by the Council would not be necessary. S. Gross discussed a second motion, for the Council to provide comment on the President's Budget. Members of the committee noted as the Council had already taken a position of opposition to cuts to the block grants and Medicaid that an additional motion would not be necessary.

Children and Youth Committee (CYC)

The CYC requested that John Parkhurst, a psychologist with Children's Hospital, be appointed to the CYC.

M. Strittmater appointed John Parkhurst to the CYC.

Item 4: Proposed Agenda for July 19, 2017

Members of the committee reviewed and developed the July 19th WMCH agenda.

Item 5: Adjourn

M. Strittmater adjourned the meeting at 3:31pm.