

Kansas Mental Health Coalition

Speaking with one voice to meet critical needs of people with mental illness.

KMHC BOARD MINUTES

September 22, 2021

President convened at 11:40 a.m.

- Attendees: Mary Jones, Colin Thomasett, Jane Rhys, Sue Lewis, Kyle Kessler, Stephanie West-Potter, Sherrie Vaughn, Sue Lewis, Matt Spezia
- Approve Minutes [Read minutes.](#)

Old Business:

- Budget and Membership [Budget](#) Current balance \$12,111.42
- Website Expenditure - Due in November, the annual price will increase by \$327 (\$1728 to \$2052). We get a 10% discount for paying annually. Board approved expenditure if ending balance is sufficient.

New Business:

- February 22, 2022 Advocacy Day Planning and Sponsorships
- Consensus Policy Issues and Issue Papers
- MCO Procurement Process – KMHC will establish a committee to develop recommendations for the MCO Procurement Process in development. KDHE will soon announce the contracting facilitator who will be leading stakeholder engagement.
- 2022 scheduling – KMHC will continue to meet remotely. We are experiencing increased participation through the zoom meetings.

2021 Schedule - Future meeting guests and topics

Future topics –

- continue reports from KDHE/KDADS,
- invite Secretary Howard to present agency budget,
- regular updates for CCBHC implementation,
- Scott Brunner for hospital moratorium,
- Shortage of kids beds – both PRTF and psychiatric hospital due to workforce shortage?
- Crisis Centers / Crisis Intervention Centers,
- federal aid from American Rescue Plan Act will go through SPARK Executive Committee, except for the FMAP ARPA Funds through KDADS and KDHE

Jan 27, Feb 24, Mar 24, Apr 28, May 26, June 23, July 28, August 25, Sept 22, Oct 27, Nov 17, Dec 15

Board Meetings: 12 noon quarterly the 4th Wednesdays (March 24, June 23, Sept. 22, Dec. 15)

Reports:

Meeting adjourned 12:35 p.m.

Board Members:

2020-2022 President – Mary Jones (1st full term)

2021-2023 Vice President – Shereen Ellis (1st full term)

2020-2022 Secretary - Jane Rhys (2nd term)

Treasurer – Open since December 2019 - President and Coordinator manage duties

2019-2022	2020-2023	2021-2024
Colin Thomasset	Stephanie West-Potter	Bob Chase
Dr. Sherrie Vaughn	Kyle Kessler	Susan Crain Lewis
Jane Rhys		Mary Jones
Monica Kurz		Matt Spezia
Shereen Ellis		Chad Childs