**Kansas Mental Health Coalition**

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

**KMHC BOARD MINUTES**

**June 28 2017  Valeo Behavioral Health Center - 330 SW Oakley, Topeka, KS**

Bring your own lunch.

teleconference access 1-515-739-1285, enter  567518 Meeting room wi-fi: Guest@ccess

**11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Sue Lewis, presiding**

**Kyle Kessler, Patrick Yancey, Dana Schoffelman, Meghan Cizek, Andy Brown, Bill Persinger, Bob Chase, Amy Campbell**

* **Approve Minutes**[Read Minutes](http://kansasmentalhealthcoalition.onefireplace.com/resources/Documents/Board%20minutes%203-22-17.pdf)
* **Membership – Carol Manning and Sky Westerlund are leaving their positions which leaves two board positions open.**

**Old Business:**

* **Bylaws Review Committee to meet – Sue Lewis will convene in August. Bob Chase, Jane Rhys, Steve Feinstein, other volunteers welcome.**
* **Health Equity Partnership Initiative Report reviewed. Distributed the Memorandum of Understanding between KMHC and NAMI.**

**New Business:**

* **Provide Board documents to Members** [Bylaws](http://kansasmentalhealthcoalition.onefireplace.com/resources/Documents/ByLaws%202012.pdf)[Policies](http://kansasmentalhealthcoalition.onefireplace.com/resources/Documents/KMHC%20POLICIES%20AND%20PROCEDURES%20approved.doc)**Amy asked members of the Board to become familiar with the documents and with the website. Bylaws are amended through advanced notice and official membership meeting. Policies may be changed by a vote at any board meeting.**
* **990 EZ – KMHC due September. Andy distributed a draft to be filed.**
* **Motion to appoint Mary Jones to fulfill balance of Carol Manning’s board term**.
* **Legislative Awards Proposal – Kyle Kessler – In the past few years, there haven’t been many legislators who would identify mental health as a top priority, but that has changed. Would love to see the Coalition create a new legislative award. A unique award might recognize “partnership” or bipartisanship. Recommend recognizing Rep. Brenda Landwehr (R-Wichita) and Rep. Barbara Ballad (D-Lawrence) for 2017. Create a tradition that might in future recognize McGinn/Kelly or Koesten/Ruiz. We could hold a reception to honor them.**

**Motion adopted to add to Policies Document:** The Board will identify legislative and/or advocacy awards when appropriate. Motion by Kyle Kessler, second by Andy Brown.

 “Kansas Mental Health Coalition Award for Legislative Partnership”

Adopted a Motion by Kyle Kessler, second by Patrick Yancey, to give the 2017 Award to Rep. Landwehr and Rep. Ballard on August 23 or date when they are both available. KMHC will host a reception following the KMHC meeting.

Sue and Amy will notify legislators, Bill will check the schedule for the room.

* **Website - capacity and cost – As we expand the Grassroots Advocacy Network, KMHC will need to add capacity to our website. The Advocacy Committee is looking into this. It is possible the HEPI grant may cover the cost. Also, the Wild Apricot platform is merging with Amazon and that may change the look of or options associated with our website. Hopefully, it may create additional options for online payment.**
* **DRC** - Midwest Leadership Academy - Rocky Nichols – Grant has been funded by the Kansas Health Foundation for coordinated strategic planning. KMHC will try to send a board member – Sue, Amy, Meghan, Dana may be able to go. Corinna’s group is also interested.
* **2017 Schedule - Future meeting guests and topics - Mike Randol will be here in July and we will dedicate around 45 minutes. Please come prepared with your Medicaid questions. KEES is still developing and not easy to navigate – want to understand how it is working and how individuals are being kicked off the system. How is state implementing spend-down, assuming system will write that off and serve them anyway. Why does state have to have it?**

**\*Try to get the Secretary in August. Also invite him to the reception.**

* Substance Use Prevention Contracts:  Sarah Fischer, Randy Johnson, Sandra Dixon (Make this a KDADS question rather than guest)
* New licensing process for CMHCs and facilities.

o   KanCare Contracts Re-issuance

o   State Hospitals Recertification / Moratorium / Privatization

o   Employment Grant Career Success – MHA of SC Kansas - thinking skills for work / supported employment / cognitive remediation – started February – Carol Manning:  Set on September schedule.

o   Social Security Administration Demonstration Project – start in September to work with people who have been denied SSDI, would work with program and a nurse to manage their health in order to prevent future SSDI determination – Carol Manning – have an overview in December.

o   Rich Minder – Kansas Association for Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health

o   Ira Stamm – Affordable Care Act topic – maybe invite later re: AHCA

o   Federal update on budget and ACA

o   Veterans Program Position – new KDADS employee

        **2017 KMHC Meetings: 9 a.m.–11:30 a.m.**Jan 25, Feb. 22, Mar. 22, April 26, May 24, June 28, July 26, Aug 23, Sept. 27, Oct. 25, Nov 15, Dec. 13

        **Board Meetings:**12 noon quarterly the 4thWednesdays (March 22, June 28, Sept. 27, Dec. 13)

 Board Members

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| 2015-2018 | 2016-2019 | 2017-2020 |
| Andy Brown | Jane Adams | Dana Schoffelman |
| Susan Crain Lewis | Rick Cagan | Eric Harkness |
| Sky Westerlund | Walt Hill | Kyle Kessler |
| Carol Manning–*appt. Mary Jones* | Bill Persinger | Meghan Cizek |
| Bob Chase | Jane Rhys |  |
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