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MILWAUKEE COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDER ADVISORY COUNCIL

Monday. June 27. 2022 – 6:00 PM Microsoft Teams Meeting

MINUTES

PRESENT: Brenda Wesley, John Griffith, Lutrena Johnson, Claire Keys, William Muhammad,

Troney Small, and Ambrose Wilson-Brown

ABSENT: Darnelle Bowles, Jona Morales, Mary Neubauer, Sandra Pasch, and Desilyn Smith

SCHEDULED ITEMS:

1. Welcome.

Chairwoman Wesley welcomed everyone to the June 27, 2022, Mental Health Board Community Stakeholder Advisory Council's remote/virtual meeting.

2. Background and Accomplishments of the Milwaukee County Mental Health Board.

The Milwaukee County Mental Health Board was established in 2014. Over the years, the Board has worked to continuously improve the system of care. One of the Board's major accomplishments includes the new Mental Health Emergency Center (MHEC) and Granite Hills Hospital. It was decided to seek a partner to operate the hospital, so County services could focus more on a recovery-oriented system of care based in the community. The Board approved a contract with Universal Health Services (UHS) on February 14, 2018, to proceed with building the Granite Hills Hospital. The Psychiatric Crisis Services center was assessed but because of the substantial cost, UHS was not willing to operate Emergency Services. This led to a discussion of creating MHEC. Throughout the process of establishing both facilities, all decisions were made and approved by the Board.

Questions and comments ensued.

This item was informational.

3. Onboarding and Board Education.

A brief overview of the County Legislative Information Center (CLIC) webpage was provided to inform Council members of where they can find all meeting content. CLIC has meeting agendas, minutes, and audio of all Mental Health Board related meetings since the Board's inception. Members were educated on how their role as a Council member differs from a Board member. This Council has a separate function established through the Board. All updates and information considered by the Council are presented to the Board. Council members are encouraged to attend Board meetings to remain informed, however, comments are only allowed during public hearings. Full participation and attendance are required for

Council meetings. The Chairperson or administrative support must be informed of a planned absence. Understanding the system, language, and community services is what's needed in order to fulfill the purpose of the Council.

Questions and comments ensued.

This item was informational.

4. Expectations for the Role as an Ambassador.

This is a platform which allows for open dialogue and public comment. As an ambassador it is important to be able to problem solve. While in this role, being able to strategically create recommendations on how to better improve the service of care is expected.

Questions and comments ensued.

This item was informational.

5. **Potential of Dividing into Sub-Groups.**

During the initial Council meeting, there were discussions related to potentially dividing into sub-groups. To ensure everyone is on one accord during the early development of the Council, it was decided to postpone doing so. This is an option that may be utilized in the future.

Questions and comments ensued.

This item was informational.

6. Adjournment.

Chairwoman Wesley ordered the meeting adjourned.

This meeting was recorded. The official copy of these minutes and subject reports, along with the audio recording of this meeting, is available on the Milwaukee County Legislative Information Center.

Length of meeting: 6:09 p.m. to 7:06 p.m.

Adjourned,

Dairionne Washington

Committee Coordinator
Milwaukee County Mental Health Board

The next meeting of the Milwaukee County Mental Health Board Community Stakeholder Advisory Council is

July 25, 2022, at 6:00 PM

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