

## BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COORDINATING COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY June 24, 2015 10:00 a.m. Conference Room 24.260

Commissioner Frank W. Berry called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

## **Members Present:**

Senator Renee Unterman *(District 45)* Commissioner Homer Bryson (DOC) Stanley Jones, *(Family Representative)* 

## **Members Teleconferencing:**

Representative Katie Dempsey (*District 13*) Commissioner Avery Niles (*DJJ*) Julie Spores, (Adult Consumer Representative) Chairman Terry Barnard *(PAP)* Commissioner Clyde Reese (DCH)

Commissioner Brenda Fitzgerald (DPH) Diane Reeder (Parent Representative)

**Commissioner Kamila Knowles (DCA)** 

**Members Absent:** 

Commissioner Keith Horton (DHS) Superintendent Richard Woods (DOE)

DBHDD Leadership:

Deputy Commissioner Jeff Minor *(DHS)* General Counsel Amy Howell Assistant Commissioner for Public Relations Lavin Gartland

Commissioner Berry introduced recovery speaker Joan Moffson, a recent graduate of the RESPECT Institute and a certified peer support specialist. Moffson shared her journey towards a life of recovery.

The agenda included the following action items:

- BHCC Nomination: Slate of Officers
- Approval of Slate
- Approval of the BHCC Vice Chair
- Approval of the BHCC Secretary

In addition, three action items were approved and adopted.

- 1. December 17, 2014 BHCC meeting minutes
- 2. Proposed 2015 meeting schedule
- 3. 2014 BHCC Annual Report

Behavioral Health Coordinating Council Initiatives updates were given by the Inter*agency Directors Team (IDT) (Matt Yancey)* and the Transition Support and Re-entry Workgroup (Dr. Terri Timberlake). Berry highlighted upcoming visit to meet with sheriffs and local delegations about the efficacy of community-based services since the closing of Southwestern State Hospital. Berry recognized Deputy Commissioner Jeff Minor and Chief of Staff Judy Fitzgerald for their work implementing DBHDD's reorganization.

There was no further business.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.