

# **Behavioral Health Coordinating Council Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

## November 18, 2015 10:00 a.m. Conference Room 24-397

### A quorum was not met.

Meeting Called by:

Commissioner Frank Berry (DBHDD); 10:10 a.m.

**Facilitator:** 

Commissioner Frank Berry

**Note Taker:** 

Tracy Gamble (DBHDD)

**Members Present:** 

Commissioner Frank Berry (DBHDD)

Commissioner Homer Bryson (DOC)

**Tele-Conferencing** 

Stanley Jones, Family Representative

**Members Absent:** 

Commissioner Clyde Reese (DCH) Chairman Terry Barnard (PAP)

**DBHDD** Leadership:

Lavin Gartland Briggs, Assistant Commissioner

**Others Present:** 

Karen Bailey, Director of Forensic Services (DBHDD)

Christine Doyle, Director of Behavioral Health (DJJ)

Jill Mays, Program Coordinator (DBHDD) Cliff Hartley, Field Services Manager (DOC)

# Agenda

Call to Order:

Commissioner Frank Berry

#### **Action Item**

Because a quorum was not met, the minutes from the meetings on May, 13 2015 and August 12, 2015 were tabled for approval at the next scheduled meeting.

#### **BHCC Initiatives**

DBHDD Forensic Services: Dr. Karen Bailey, Director

Dr. Bailey said that because DBHDD's forensic office and the Department of Corrections serve the same population, the agencies hope to alleviate some of the challenges they face and streamline processes by sharing resources for community-based services.

Interagency Directors Team (IDT): Dr. Christine Doyle, Chair Dr. Doyle gave an update on the team's work, which includes:

- Developing a capacity survey for providers giving non-medicinal interventions to children with disruptive behavioral disorders
- Developing a comprehensive multi-agency training calendar
- Developing a booklet to give guidance and information to people who are unaware of the specialized needs of the emerging adult population
- Creating a comprehensive statewide plan for children's mental health

Transition Support and Re-entry Workgroup: Jill Mays, Program Coordinator for DBHDD's Office of Adult Mental Health

Mays shared information with the council about the workgroup's initiatives, including:

- Partnership with the REPECT Institute to incorporate RESPECT speakers into meetings and trainings held by the workgroup's member agencies
- Anti-stigma 5K walk and run to increase community education and awareness of mental health (May 2016)
- Forensic Peer Mentor Project, which currently employs two peers at Lee Arrendale state prison; the workgroup is considering expansion of the program at Baldwin and Lee Arrendale state prisons in January 2016
- Additional training to be provided to certified peer specialists and certified addiction recovery empowerment specialists in December 2015
- Conducting a re-entry survey of inmates at Lee Arrendale and Phillips state prisons to determine key focus areas both before and after release

## **Commissioner's Report**

Commissioner Berry reported that the full council will meet on December 16, 2015, and gave notice that Commissioner Michael Nail will inform the council about the work of the Department of Community Supervision.

## Adjournment

There was no further business. The meeting was adjourned at 11:29 a.m.

## Respectfully submitted by:

Tracy Gamble, Council and Executive Committee Liaison

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Signatures:

Chair

Attachments: