



Behavioral Health Coordinating Council Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

NOVEMBER 18, 2014

1:00 PM

CONFERENCE ROOM 24-397

MEETING CALLED BY	Commissioner Frank Berry at approximately 1:06 PM	
FACILITATOR	Commissioner Frank Berry	
NOTE TAKER	Tracy Gamble	
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT	Commissioner Frank Berry (DBHDD) Commissioner Clyde Reese (DCH) Commissioner Brian Owens (DOC)	Chairman Terry Barnard (PAP) Terry Bernard (PAP)

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER	COMMISSIONER FRANK BERRY DBHDD
DISCUSSION	Commissioner Frank Berry called the meeting of the Behavioral Health Coordinating Council Executive Committee to order at approximately 1:06 PM
CONCLUSIONS	There was no action taken.

ACTION ITEMS

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 12, 2014 MINUTES	COMMISSIONER FRANK BERRY DBHDD
DISCUSSION	<p>The first action item was to approve the August 12, 2014 BHCC Executive Committee meeting minutes.</p> <p>Commissioner Berry requested a motion to approve the August 12, 2014 BHCC Executive Committee meeting minutes. Reese made a motion to approve the August 12, 2014 BHCC Executive Committee meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Bernard.</p>
CONCLUSIONS	The August 12, 2014 BHCC Executive Committee meeting minutes were unanimously approved.
DISCUSSION	Commissioner Berry presented the 2015 BHCC Executive Committee schedule and asked members to review. Tracy Gamble explained, meeting dates are similar to the 2014 meeting schedule. Berry asked members to review the 2015 BHCC Executive Committee schedule to see if their schedules permits, the schedule will be voted on at the next meeting which will be held on February 18, 2015 at 10:00am.
CONCLUSIONS	There was no action taken.

DISCUSSION	Commissioner Berry spoke with Bobby Cagle, Director of the Division of Family and Children Services (DFCS) about Therapeutic Foster Care. As DFCS start to reform, Cagle welcomes a discussion about Therapeutic Foster Care as it is one of the challenging areas where they need increased provider capacity and evidence based training. The council will ask the Interagency Directors Team (IDT) to look at Therapeutic Foster Care's history and add to their strategic plan.
CONCLUSIONS	There was no action taken.

TRANSITION CARE COLLABORATIVE

DR. TERRI TIMBERLAKE, DIRECTOR
DBHDD ADULT MENTAL HEALTH

Timberlake shared the following positive occurrences that the Transition Care Collaborative accomplished.

DISCUSSION

Two anti-stigma curriculums have been identified and recommended, Breaking the Silence, Coming Out Proud and Friendships Count to eliminate stigma. The curriculums will be resources that our partnering agencies can incorporate in new employees training and orientations. Stefanie McClain, deputy director of Mental Health Georgia Department of Corrections led a subgroup to review three curriculums for all of our partnering agencies to utilize.

Erika Johnson, Mental Health Program Specialist, Pardons and Parole is a post certified trainer and is able to help the Transition Care Collaborative move forward with getting instructional time and getting one of the curriculum's to be a part of the training for the sworn in and non-sworn staff.

Partnering agencies connected with the RESPECT Institute to have speakers attend their meetings and trainings to share their stories of recovery. Two RESPECT Institute speakers spoke at the Mental Health Multi-Functional Correctional Officers training that was held in October 2014. Danny Riddle spoke about his lived experiences with substance abuse and mental health illness and his experiences with the county jails. Florence Daniels, a veteran shared her experiences with DOC with the mental health directors. RESPECT Institute speakers are scheduled to speak at DOC's next scheduled training in McClain said the experience has been very positive.

Timberlake continued to share the Transition Care Collaborative accomplishments.

Stigma Barriers

A fifteen (15) item survey has been created to get a better understanding of services and supports that would have been helpful to the individual to prevent them from reoffending. The survey will be piloted at Phillips and Lee Arrandale State Prisons as well as the transitional centers.

The survey will target

- 200 inmates
- Levels 2, 3 and 4
- Time frame—6-9 months before the individuals release
- Survey starts, January 1, 2015.

Resource Awareness

Development of a Community Re-entry tab is being created on DBHDD's webpage to help consumers get connected with Medicaid benefits, behavioral health services and housing resources. Currently, there are 10 partners (sister agencies) who will share the same links. The links will be helpful those re-entering back into the community.

Forensic Peer Mentor

The forensic peer mentors advisory group received the draft Georgia specific forensic peer mentor curriculum for Phillips and Lee Arrandale State Prisons. Consultant, Michael Little will provide the training. The advisory group is reviewing the curriculum and is looking to finalize in December 2014. When the curriculum is approved, training will begin in January 2015. Once the training is completed, there will be 10 CPS credentialed with a background in legal services.

Anti-Stigma Awareness Walk

The collaborative are thinking about creating an Anti-Stigma Awareness Campaign Walk that would become a multi-agency endeavor to raise awareness.

CONCLUSION

There was no action taken.

**Commissioner Frank Berry
DBHDD**

DISCUSSION

Commissioner Berry reported:

Susan Trueblood is the new administrator for the last active program at Central State Hospital Cook building.

Celebrated events

- Art of Recovery was celebrated at 2 Peachtree Street – First Lady Deal helped celebrate and viewed the art work that is displayed on the 24th floor. The art work will be rotated throughout DBHDD, regional offices and the state hospitals. Commissioner's Horton and Reese also attended the celebration.
- Red Ribbon Campaign- Public Health partnered with DBHDD to celebrate Georgia's Youth Empowered to Resist Tobacco, Alcohol and Drugs.

Berry complimented Commissioner Owens on his participation at the Community Service Board Association Annual Education Exchange. Commissioner Niles was also a participant.

CONCLUSIONS

There was no action taken.

OTHER BUSINESS

**COMMISSIONER FRANK BERRY
DBHDD**

DISCUSSION

The committee discussed agenda items for the next BHCC full council meeting on December 18, 2014.

- BHCC 2015 meeting schedule
- BHCC Annual Report
- Administrative Services Organization
- Core Re-design Project

CONCLUSIONS

The agenda items discussed will be included on the BHCC full council meeting to be held on December 17, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Berry called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Owens made a motion to adjourn the November 18, 2014 BHCC Executive Committee meeting. The motion was seconded by Chair Barnard. The meeting was adjourned at 1:55PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY

TRACY L. GAMBLE

SIGNATURES

	CHAIR
	SECRETARY