

Region Two DBHDD Advisory Council Meeting

Meeting Summary		
The DBHDD Region Two Advisory Council met at 1:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 18th, 2018 via teleconferences taking place at the Region 2 DBHDD Office, 3405 Mike Padgett Hwy., Bldg. 3, Room 39, the Rehabilitation Hospital Navicent Health 3351 Northside Drive Macon, GA 31210 and the Oconee Veteran's Park, 3500A Hog Mountain Road Watkinsville, GA 30677.		
Council Members Present	Lydia Aletraris, Clarke; Laverne Crawford, Richmond; Mike Greene, Jones; Debbie Harbin, Monroe; Jessica Hatcher, Bibb; Cheryl Lockett, Walton; Lisa Jones, Columbia; Will Lombard, Putnam; Nancy McGraw, Jefferson; Elbert McQueen, Bibb; B.R. White, Barrow	
Excused Absences	Cheryl Carswell, Columbia; Jolie Daigle, Clarke; Linda Echols, Wilkes; Linda Foster, Jackson; Natalie Herrington, Burke; Don Wilkes, Emanuel	
Unexcused Absences	Saundra Brown, Bibb; Nancy Dawkins, Lincoln; Amanda Ghurab, Morgan; Ann Hester, Oconee; Kelli Ogunsanya, Clarke; Penny Rauscher, Wilkinson; Cathy Smith-Jackson, Hancock; Vivian Stewart, Taliaferro	
Region Two Field Office / State Office Staff Present	Michael Link, Community Relations Director, Dawn Peel, BH RSA; Betty Dyches, Intake & Evaluation Manager; Cheryl Bellardino, Administrative Assistant	
Vacancies as of 2/15/2018 (21)		
Baldwin (1), Bibb (2), Elbert (1), Glascock (1), Greene (1), Jasper (1), Jenkins (1), Madison (1), McDuffie (1), Monroe (1), Oglethorpe (1), Richmond (4), Screven (1), Twiggs (1), Walton (1), Warren (1), Washington (1)		
<u>Agenda Topic</u>	<u>Synopsis</u>	<u>Presenter</u>
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 1:01 PM.	Jessica Hatcher, Chair
Guest Speaker	Ms. Bridgette Suttle from the RESPECT Institute shared her story of recovery with Regional Advisory Council members.	Bridgette Suttle Respect Institute
Approval of December 14th Meeting Minutes	The minutes from the December 14th, 2017 meeting were approved as written.	Jessica Hatcher
Call For Public Comments	None.	Jessica Hatcher
Council Member Activities	<p>Debbie Harbin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Attended Social Role Valorization put on by DBHDD and GAO in Macon on January 30th. Also plans to attend Leadership Launchpad 2/22-2/24 designed to develop leadership skills in those who work with individuals with developmental disabilities. Put on by Star Choices, DBHDD, GCDD, GAO, and other sponsors. - Debbie stated that Steve Spivey sent a reminder email regarding the Opioid Learning Collaborative in Cartersville on 2/26. Mike said that there were many speakers at the one last week in Stone Mountain and that the event was very educational. These events present good opportunities to learn what is going on in local communities. <p>Jessica Hatcher</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Completed the survey that came out regarding the Delphi Project. She encouraged members to take the survey if it is sent to them. She reported that the survey is a quick, easy, and user-friendly process. - Will send members call to action that she received. Asked to reach out to House and Senate members to support funding for APEX programs. Will send to Cheryl for distribution. 	Jessica Hatcher

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Council Member Appointments/Resignations/ New Vacancies	Cheryl Lockett was appointed to the Regional Advisory Council on January 9 th , 2018. She will represent Walton County. Her term is a partial term, ending 6/30/2019. Ms. Lockett provided information on her background and interests.	Cheryl Bellardino, Administrative Assistant
DBHDD Updates	<p>Mike Link provided updates on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2018 Departmental Priorities <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Come into full compliance with and be released from the ADA Settlement. Due to end on June 30th. 1) Continue to protect the safety net. Making sure that anyone throughout state who needs services will be able to access them. 2) Embark on progress we have made and talk about that progress. Outcome accountability is in place. Continue and improve the progress. - Release of RFP that will come out early this year for a blended Mobile Crisis system. Information can be found on the DBHDD website. - Policy# 15-150, Recovery, Wellness and Independence. Cheryl will send out the policy to RAC members. - DD Advocacy Day will be held at the capital on 2/28/18. Focus topic for 2/28 is community integration. Focus topic at the first DD Advocacy Day at the Capital, held earlier this week, was dealing with Medicaid and the need for more waivers. - RAC Training Planning Session – Next Tuesday Michael, Dawn and Debbie will be attending 1st planning session for this year’s RAC training. This committee reviews member orientation packets for updates, reviews member manual that will go out and discusses training needs. Please let Michael, Dawn or Debbie know if you have any suggestions of things to cover in future training sessions. If you wish to participate, contact Debbie Harbin for more information. 	Michael Link, Community Relations Director
BH Report	Dawn Peel presented the BH report. Cheryl to send Dawn’s report via email to RAC members.	Dawn Peel, BH RSA
DD Report	Betty Dyches presented the DD report on behalf of Karl Brown, DD RSA. Cheryl to forward information from Betty to members.	Betty Dyches, I & E Manager
DBHDD LC Report	<p>Michael Link and Debbie Harbin presented the Leadership Council report.</p> <p>Cheryl to give information to Michael regarding the number of Standards of Conduct and Ethics forms received so that he can review it and have her send to RAC members.</p>	Michael Link Debbie Harbin, Leadership Council Representative
The meeting was adjourned by Jessica Hatcher at 2:27 PM.		