

**WASHINGTON COUNTY
LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL
Minutes of July 14, 2009**

NAME	present	absent	NAME	present	absent
Jerry Beedle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bruce Eisenmenger	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Kristy Hoff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Peggy Herzog	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Daniel Parnell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Anja Kuehne-Welsh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gary Kriesel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Robert Rafferty	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cindy Rupp	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Edward Simonet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Julia Beagan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jeffery Treague	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kathleen Downing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Linda Stanton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda Eckhardt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Regina Walker	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Amy Rostron-Ledoux	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jeremy Jenkins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Guests: Therese Gilbertson, Nicole Dahlstrom, John Savereide, Mark Kuppe, Anna Mae Hogan, Kathy Domagall, Rick Backman

Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Robert Rafferty, Chair, and motion made to approve meeting minutes from May 12, 2009; seconded by Jerry Beedle.

Updates:

Rob Rafferty brought in four tapes available for committee members to view regarding dealing with the mentally ill. One of these tapes is regarding police response to the mentally ill and is very beneficial. Members can speak with Rob if interested in viewing.

Cindy indicated that she spoke with Sheriff Hutton and Commander Chuck Yetter who attended Crisis Intervention Team Training and they both thought the training was marvelous. Cindy will keep in touch with the Department of Human Services regarding the availability of grants to provide the training in the coming year. Funding is uncertain for the coming year due to the economy.

John Savereide gave an update on the upcoming NAMI Walk on September 26, 2009. The kick-off breakfast will be held on August 4, 2009. If wishing to join a team or support a group or walker, please go to www.nami.org/namiwalks/mn.

County Budget:

Due to anticipated cuts in the County budget and the shortfall expected, the LAC Committee needs to make a recommendation to the County Board regarding services they would like preserved and where they believe cuts could be made. Cindy explained the current budget shortfall and what is expected for 2009 and 2010. Members were given a handout showing mental health brass codes and definitions for services provided and money budgeted to each area. Each member also received a Budget Worksheet indicating services provided. Cindy Rupp, Mark Kuppe, and Rick Backman explained the budget worksheet and there was discussion regarding child and adult shared services, adult only services, and children only services that are currently being provided.

After discussion and some questions being answered regarding services, members decided they would like to hold a special meeting in August to continue conversations about possible reduction recommendations. A motion to hold a special meeting in August was made by Dan Parnell and seconded by Amy Rostron-Ledoux. All committee members were in favor of this meeting.

Other Updates

Jeff Treague indicated there was a new television show, Mental, on Fridays on Channel 9, which follows the health services of mentally ill patients at an L.A. Hospital.

Rob Rafferty will be unable to make this meeting, but Kristy Hoff will be available to fill in as Chair.

Adjournment

Motion made by Jeff Treague and seconded by Peggy Herzog at 5:30. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Anderson