

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY  
MISSOURI MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION**

Missouri Department of Mental Health  
1706 East Elm Street  
Jefferson City, MO 65101

**June 14, 2016**

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**PRESENT**

Steve Roling  
Kathy Carter  
Mary Patrick Seigfreid  
Dennis Tesreau  
Karl Wilson, Ph.D.  
Stephen Huss, Ph.D.

**STAFF**

Mark Stringer, Director  
Debra Walker, Public & Legislative  
Affairs  
Tina Lee, Director's Office  
Sara Murphy, Human Resources  
Lynne Fulks, Division of Administration  
Susan Flanigan, Public & Legislative  
Affairs  
Val Huhn, Division of Developmental  
Disabilities  
Gary Schanzmeyer, Division of  
Developmental Disabilities  
Rikki Wright, Division of Behavioral  
Health  
Gail Vasterling, General Counsel  
Laurie Epple, Division of Behavioral  
Health  
Rick Gowdy, Division of Behavioral  
Health

Wendy Witcig, Division of  
Developmental Disabilities  
Stacey Williams, Division of Behavioral  
Health  
Lisa Williamson, Division of  
Developmental Disabilities  
Bob Reitz, Division of Behavioral  
Health  
April Maxwell, Division of  
Developmental Disabilities  
Nora Bock, Division of Behavioral  
Health  
Dave Kingsbury, Office of Deaf  
Services  
Angie Stuckenschneider, Division of  
Behavioral Health

**GUESTS**

Ed Bothe, NAMI Missouri  
Denise Thomas, DMH  
Julie Morff, House Appropriations  
Hannah Swann, Senate Appropriations  
Sarah Willson, Missouri Hospital  
Association  
Chaz Nickolaus, MODDC  
Robert Freund, St. Louis Regional  
Health Commission  
Rikki Takeyama, St. Louis Regional  
Health Commission

TOPIC/ISSUE	DISCUSSION
<p>CALL TO ORDER/ INTRODUCTIONS</p> <p>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</p> <p>OPEN DISCUSSION</p>	<p>Steve Roling, Chair, called the Missouri Mental Health Commission meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. on June 14, 2016. The meeting was held at the Department of Mental Health, 1706 East Elm Street, Jefferson City, MO.</p> <p>Self-introductions were made.</p> <p>Kathy Carter motioned for approval of the April 14, 2016, meeting minutes. Dennis Tesreau seconded the motion and the minutes were approved with minor revisions.</p> <p>Steve Roling asked for a moment of silence to recognize victims of the mass shooting in Orlando.</p>
<p>SELECTION OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE</p>	<p>Steve Roling mentioned that at the annual meeting in July the Commission elects new officers. Steve appointed the nominating committee of Dennis Tesreau and Kathy Carter. Dennis and Kathy will present at the July 14, 2016 meeting their recommendations for Mental Health Commission Chair and Secretary for FY17.</p> <p>The Commission will also vote in July on the new selection of officers.</p>
<p>DIRECTOR'S UPDATE</p>	<p>Mark Stringer provided a Director's update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mark announced the Mental Health Commission Meeting in August will focus on trauma and Patsy Carter will be one of the presenters. Mark mentioned that Rob Freund and Rikki Takeyama from the St. Louis Regional Health Commission (RHC) were at DMH for a meeting and Mark invited them to give a brief overview to the Commission on <i>Alive and Well STL</i>. Rob mentioned the St. Louis Regional Health Commission is a coalition that tries to make health care better in St. Louis. <i>Alive and Well STL</i> is a community-wide effort focused on reducing the impact of toxic stress and trauma on health and well-being. RHC has been collaborating with individuals and organizations across the community as well as the media to elevate the conversation about toxic stress and trauma. On June 23, 2016, RHC has a prime time special on at 7 p.m. on KDSK. For more information you can go to their website: <a href="http://www.aliveandwellstl.com">http://www.aliveandwellstl.com</a>.</li> <li>• Dave Kingsbury provided an update on the Department's Office of Deaf Services. In February 2012, the Department of Mental Health signed a settlement agreement to resolve the Comas vs. Schafer lawsuit related to psychiatric services for consumers who are deaf. The settlement agreement is set to expire July 1, 2016, and the Department has fully complied with the terms of the agreement. Plaintiffs had the option to file a motion requesting an extension but did not and, while it is still possible to file, it appears they have chosen not to seek an extension. The Department continues to move beyond the settlement and is working on multiple initiatives to continue to improve services to consumers who are deaf.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mark welcomed Sarah Willson, Vice President of Clinical and Regulatory Affairs for the Missouri Hospital Association. Sarah replaced Sharon Burnett who retired.</li> </ul>
BUDGET UPDATE	<p>Lynne Fulks provided an update on the budget. Handout is located at:  <a href="http://dmh.mo.gov/about/diroffice/commission/2016meetingschedule.html">http://dmh.mo.gov/about/diroffice/commission/2016meetingschedule.html</a></p>
LEGISLATIVE UPDATE	<p>Susan Flanigan updated the Commission on Legislative Affairs:</p> <p>Susan discussed and distributed the Legislative Wrap-Up for 2016.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DMH staff has been working on bill reviews and Susan thanked them for all their work.</li> <li>The Senate confirmed Director Mark Stringer and Commissioners Seigfreid, Huss and Wilson.</li> <li>DMH will be organizing a Legislative Tour since there will be a new group of Freshman Legislators.</li> </ul> <p><b>Senate Bills</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>SB1056 – Physician Assistants.</b> Added physician assistants to language passed in 2014 in HB1779. Amended on to HB1816 which TAFP 5/13/16 and also to HB1682 which TAFP.</li> <li><b>SB1055 – Involuntary Medication.</b> Heard in Senate Judiciary and voted out of committee 4/21; will return in 2017.</li> <li><b>SBs588, 603 &amp; 942 – Expungement of Criminal Offenses (Dixon).</b> TAFP 5/11/16.</li> <li><b>SB 591 – Expert Testimony.</b> Evidentiary guidelines are provided with language identical to Federal Rule of Evidence 704 (b). TAFP 4/28/16.</li> </ul> <p><b>House Bills</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>HB1892 – Prescription Drug Monitoring</b>—died in Senate.</li> <li><b>HB1432 – Administration Leave (Vescovo).</b> TAFP 5/13/16.</li> <li><b>HB1565 – MoHealthNet Eligibility (Engler).</b> Changes the asset limits to qualify for MOHealthNet benefits for the aged, blind, and disabled population. Signed 6/9/16.</li> </ul> <p>There was discussion regarding the Missouri Achieving a Better Life Experience (Missouri ABLE) Act. Information regarding the Missouri ABLE Act will be sent to the Commissioners.</p> <p>Handout is located at:  <a href="http://dmh.mo.gov/about/diroffice/commission/2016meetingschedule.html">http://dmh.mo.gov/about/diroffice/commission/2016meetingschedule.html</a></p>

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DIVISION AND SECTION UPDATES	<p data-bbox="411 180 821 212"><b><u>Developmental Disabilities</u></b></p> <p data-bbox="411 217 1146 250">Val Huhn, DD Director, shared the following update:</p> <ul data-bbox="459 254 1986 813" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="459 254 1986 326">• Val introduced Wendy Witcig as the new Deputy Director for Community Operations. Wendy is originally from Kansas City and has worked in the field for a number of years.</li> <li data-bbox="459 331 1986 472">• Governor Nixon was in Kirksville on Tuesday, June 7, 2016, for the announcement of the opening of the new Inter-Professional Autism Clinic at the former Greenwood Elementary School. The clinic will provide comprehensive autism services in Kirksville and the surrounding Northeast Missouri area. The event was well attended.</li> <li data-bbox="459 477 1986 509">• Central Missouri Regional Office staff will be moving to a new location in Columbia sometime in October.</li> <li data-bbox="459 514 1986 586">• Joplin Regional Office is downsizing from 25,000 square feet to 5,000 square feet. The space will be shared by Missouri Southern State University and will house a child care center.</li> <li data-bbox="459 591 1986 623">• Hannibal Office will be sharing space with the Department of Social Services Family Resource Center.</li> <li data-bbox="459 628 1986 737">• DD has been in correspondence with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) regarding the Comprehensive Waiver and Community Support Waiver, and CMS should be ready to move forward with approval by July 1, 2016.</li> <li data-bbox="459 742 1986 813">• The National Association of State Directors of Developmental Disabilities Services (NASDDDS) Annual Conference was held June 9-10, 2016, in Kansas City.</li> </ul> <p data-bbox="411 850 638 883"><b><u>Administration</u></b></p> <p data-bbox="411 888 1629 920">Lynne Fulks, Acting Director of Administrative Services, provided the following update:</p> <ul data-bbox="459 925 1986 1375" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="459 925 1986 997">• Accounting is wrapping up fiscal notes and responded to a total of 441 fiscal notes this year compared to 456 last year.</li> <li data-bbox="459 1002 1425 1034">• Accounting has received several requests for budget information.</li> <li data-bbox="459 1039 1986 1110">• Accounting is working on year-end reports, year-end payments, and getting things set up in SAM II for FY17.</li> <li data-bbox="459 1115 1986 1224">• Accounting is providing information to Office of Administration for the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). This is a survey that OA sends to all state agencies and they compile the results into a statewide report.</li> <li data-bbox="459 1229 1986 1300">• Purchasing and General Services are developing a process to track Memoranda of Understanding (MOU's).</li> <li data-bbox="459 1305 1986 1375">• The Medicaid Unit is working on the Behavioral Health 1115 Waiver and the Excellence in Mental Health Act planning process.</li> </ul> <p data-bbox="411 1412 856 1445"><b><u>Division of Behavioral Health</u></b></p> <p data-bbox="411 1450 1155 1482">Rick Gowdy, Director, provided the following update:</p> <ul data-bbox="459 1487 1890 1520" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="459 1487 1890 1520">• DBH received their first questions from CMS for the Mental Health Crisis Prevention Project (1115</li> </ul>

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	<p>Waiver).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Mental Health Centers are working on their cost reports for the Certified Community Behavioral Health Care Clinic Perspective Payment System Demonstration Project.</li> <li>• Spring Training Institute was held on June 2-3, 2016, at Tan-Tar-A. There were over 900 in attendance and the Governor attended the event on Friday. Everyone appreciated the Governor being there.</li> <li>• DBH has been working with the DSS Children’s Division on investigations that may lead to removal of children from the home, focusing on if and when it’s safe and appropriate to do so. Staff is required by law to be escorted by a police officer(s) as there are times when the situation can get volatile. Division staff met with Children’s Division Regional Managers and Jeremy Romo, a CIT Officer from the St. Louis County Police Department. The Division recommended that a CIT Officer be involved when removal of a child is imminent.</li> <li>• Nora Bock, Director of Adult Community Treatment Services, provided a quick overview of the NASADAD meeting she and Mark Stringer attended. Topics of discussion centered on federal initiatives to address the national opioid crisis and the use of Naloxone. Also discussed were federal block grants in states where Medicaid expansion has been approved vs. where it has not. Nora and Mark met with Michael Botticelli, Director of National Drug Control Policy, to discuss the IMD rule and its limits on mental health and SUD residential facilities.</li> <li>• Rick and Mike Nietzel met with the Presidents and Chancellors of four year colleges and universities to discuss career opportunities and how to develop a behavioral health workforce. The Caring for Missourians Project started that conversation and the Department is now continuing it with the institutions to draw in psychologists and other professionals. The department is also looking at ways to have an executive or administrative certificate program for young professionals to provide an incentive to recruit and retain people. In July, Rick and Mike plan to meet with leaders of two year institutions.</li> <li>• Bob Reitz reported Fulton State Hospital (FSH) is nearing completion of the ECC Building which will house materials management, dietary production, and the kitchen. Staff is tentatively scheduled to move into the new building in July. It will take the whole month to transition staff. On Thursday, June 23, 2016, the Governor will be touring the new building and there will be an open house for employees and their families on Friday, June 24, 2016.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Human Resources</u></b>  Sara Murphy, HR Director, provided the following update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HR and Division Staff meet with the Personnel Advisory Board (PAB) next Tuesday, June 21, 2016 to present the DMH request for the FY17 Pay Plan. The Department is looking at increases for a number of classifications: direct care staff, nurses, licensed behavior analysts, psychologists, and food service workers. The committee will review the Department’s request and data provided from the Office of Administration (OA). The PAB will then decide if those recommendations are sent to the Governor.</li> </ul>

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PUBLIC COMMENT	No public comment.
CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION	<p>Karl Wilson requested a motion to move into closed session of the Missouri Mental Health Commission pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (3) Personnel. Stephen Huss seconded the motion.</p> <p>A Roll Call Vote was taken:  Steve Roling – Yes  Kathy Carter – Yes  Mary Seigfreid – Yes  Dennis Tesreau – Yes  Dr. Karl Wilson – Yes  Dr. Stephen Huss – Yes</p> <p>The Commission returned from closed session and reconvened the Mental Health Commission meeting.</p>
NEXT MEETING	The next Mental Health Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, July 14, 2016. It will be held at the Miller Retreat House at 400 Friendship Road, Jefferson City, MO.
ADJOURN	<p>Mary Seigfreid made a motion for adjournment; Stephen Huss seconded. Meeting adjourned at 4:06 p.m.</p> <hr/> <p>Kathy Carter, Secretary</p>