

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY  
MISSOURI MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION**

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

**March 10, 2016**

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**PRESENT**

Kathy Carter  
Steve Roling  
Mary Patrick Seigfreid  
Dennis Tesreau

**ABSENT**

**STAFF**

Mark Stringer, Director  
Debra Walker, Public & Legislative  
Affairs  
Susan Flanigan, Public & Legislative  
Affairs  
Tina Lee, Director's Office  
Laine Young-Walker, MD, Chief  
Medical Officer for Children's  
Services  
Sara Murphy, Human Resources  
Lynne Fulks, Division of Administration  
Rick Gowdy, Ph.D., Division of  
Behavioral Health  
Laurie Epple, Division of Behavioral  
Health  
April Maxwell, Division of  
Developmental Disabilities  
Val Huhn, Division of Developmental  
Disabilities  
Marcy Volner, Division of  
Developmental Disabilities

Nora Bock, Division of Behavioral  
Health  
Dave Kingsbury, Office of Deaf  
Services  
Gary Schanzmeyer, Division of  
Developmental Disabilities  
Angie Stuckenschneider, Division of  
Behavioral Health  
Vickie Epple, Division of Behavioral  
Health  
Rikki Wright, Division of Behavioral  
Health  
Vicki Schollmeyer, Division of  
Behavioral Health  
Gail Vasterling, General Counsel  
Emily Koenig, Children's Services  
Julia LePage, Division of  
Developmental Disabilities  
Terri Rodgers, Division of  
Developmental Disabilities  
Patty Pratt, Director, Investigations  
Lesley Miles, Assistant Director,  
Investigations

**GUESTS**

Denise Thomas, DMH  
Greg Kramer, ESMW  
Ed Bothe, NAMI  
Alecia Archer, JCSFB  
Rita Cooper, DMH  
Jacqueline Griffin, Truman Medical  
Center  
Brent McGinty, MO Coalition  
Jeanette Simmons, DMH  
Les Wagner, MACDDS  
Gary Duncan, Former Commissioner

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 March 10, 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>Mary Seigfreid motioned for approval of the February 11, 2016, meeting minutes. Kathy Carter seconded the motion; motion carried for approval of the minutes.</p> <p>Steve Roling welcomed former Commissioner Gary Duncan. Gary served on the Commission for 3 years and was an incredible leader.</p> <p>Debra Walker mentioned the quilt on display will be auctioned off at the Mental Health Champions Banquet in June. The squares were decorated by consumers that attended the Real Voices Real Choices Conference last year.</p> <p>Mark Stringer recognized Patty Pratt, Director of Investigations and Lesley Miles, Assistant Director of Investigations. They represent the Investigation's Unit that keeps our system safe and the people we serve safe. He thanked them for their hard work.</p>
<p>DIRECTOR'S UPDATE</p>	<p>Mark Stringer provided a Director's update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mark attended the National Council for Behavioral Health NATCON Conference in Las Vegas. There were more than 5000 in attendance and Missouri received some awards. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Missouri Coalition for Community Behavioral Healthcare, received the Inspiring Hope Award.</li> <li>○ Pat Coleman, President &amp; CEO, Behavioral Health Response, St. Louis, received the Visionary Leadership Award.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Debra and Mark met with the Commissioner of Education, Dr. Margaret Vandeven, as DESE is interested in starting a foundation and had questions about the establishment of the Missouri Mental Health Foundation.</li> <li>• On February 26, 2016, an Employment First Initiative meeting was held at DMH. Directors from several state agencies attended the meeting. The group will focus on creating employment opportunities for people with disabilities and getting people employed as quickly as possible.</li> <li>• Debra and Mark visited a potential retreat site for the Annual Commission Meeting in July.</li> </ul>

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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, Legislative Liaison, provided the following update:  <b>Key Dates 2016</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• March 17 – Spring Break starts upon adjournment</li> <li>• March 29 – Session resumes</li> <li>• May 6 – Appropriation bills must be Truly Agreed and Finally Passed</li> <li>• May 13 – Session ends at 6 p.m.</li> </ul> <p>Here are some of the bills that Susan is tracking:</p> <p><b>Senate Bills</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SB1055 – Involuntary Medication</li> <li>• SB1056 – Physician Assistants</li> <li>• SB895 – EMS training requirements regarding autism</li> <li>• SB627 – Suicide awareness/prevention in higher education</li> <li>• SB646 – Suicide awareness/prevention in education. DESE to develop training guidelines and districts to adopt policies on youth suicide awareness &amp; prevention education</li> </ul> <p><b>House Bills</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HB2407 – Transfers and restructures the duties and powers of DHSS to create the Department of MO HealthNet</li> <li>• HB2351 – Adds psychiatrists to health professional student loan repayment program</li> <li>• HB1546 – Suicide awareness/prevention in schools. Policies and training for youth suicide prevention and awareness</li> <li>• HB1656 – Suicide awareness/prevention training for public school teachers</li> </ul> <p>This information is updated weekly and may be found at the following link:  <a href="http://dmh.mo.gov/opla/2016LegislativeSession.html">http://dmh.mo.gov/opla/2016LegislativeSession.html</a></p>
TIERED SUPPORTS	<p>Julia LePage, Terri Rodgers, Rita Cooper, Jeanette Simmons and Jacqueline Griffin presented on Tiered Supports. Tiered Supports encourages providers and direct care staff to use positive behavior supports to help individuals to improve their behavior so they stay in their homes longer. 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> <p>The Tiered Supports Networking Summit will be held at the Holiday Inn Executive Center in Columbia on April</p>

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	<p>19-20, 2016. This information may be found at the following link: <a href="http://dmh.mo.gov/dd/tieredsupports.html">http://dmh.mo.gov/dd/tieredsupports.html</a></p>
<p>DIVISION AND SECTION UPDATES</p>	<p><b><u>Developmental Disabilities</u></b>  Val Huhn, DD Director, shared the following update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• March is DD Awareness Month.</li> <li>• Disability Rights Legislative Day is today at the Capitol.</li> <li>• Val spoke with a group from People First of Missouri and they are attending the Disability Rights Legislative Day at the Capitol.</li> <li>• DD held interviews for the Deputy Director position and an announcement will be made soon.</li> <li>• DD has been working on HCBS Assessments. The process began with between 1100 – 1200 assessments and the Division is now down to 38.</li> <li>• DD received their first question on their waiver submission from CMS on conflict free case management.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Administration</u></b>  Lynne Fulks, Acting Administration Director, provided the following update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The State Auditors completed the statewide audit. The exit conference took place on February 18, 2016, and now DMH is waiting for the final report.</li> <li>• The Medicaid Unit is working on the 1115 Waiver, Excellence in Mental Health Act planning grant and finishing up with DD Assessments, which need to be completed by the beginning of April.</li> <li>• Accounting is busy working on fiscal notes. As of today, 245 fiscal note requests have been received.</li> <li>• Accounting continues working on daily invoice processing, provider payments and payroll processing.</li> <li>• John Long in Contracts is retiring at the end of March and Tim Karle has been hired to replace him.</li> <li>• Contracts are working on fiscal year 2017 contract renewal amendments and on the non-emergency medical transportation and cost report.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Division of Behavioral Health</u></b>  Rikki Wright, Deputy Director, provided the following update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Six public hearings are scheduled throughout the state for the Mental Health Crisis Prevention Project (1115 Medicaid Waiver). When the hearings are completed, the waiver application will be finalized and sent to MO HealthNet and the Governor's Office.</li> <li>• The annual Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Conference for Law Enforcement will be held on March 29, 2016, at the Holiday Inn Executive Center in Columbia. The Keynote Speaker will be Keyon Dooling.</li> <li>• Marty Martin-Forman, Chief Operating Officer at Fulton State Hospital, will be retiring effective May 1, 2016. Tony Menditto, Treatment Director, will serve as the interim COO. Marty has been with the department for 36 years.</li> </ul>

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PUBLIC COMMENT	No public comment.
NEXT MEETING	The next Mental Health Commission Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 14, 2016. It will be held at the Missouri Department of Mental Health, 1706 East Elm Street, Jefferson City, MO.

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ADJOURN	<p data-bbox="413 181 1881 214">Mary Seigfried made a motion for adjournment; Kathy Carter seconded. Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.</p> <hr data-bbox="413 321 1102 323"/> <p data-bbox="413 328 747 360">Kathy Carter, Secretary</p>