

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**  
**MISSOURI MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION**

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

**February 11, 2015**

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**PRESENT**

Dennis Tesreau  
Kathy Carter  
Gary Duncan  
Steve Roling  
Neva Thurston

**STAFF**

Keith Schafer, Director  
Bob Bax, Deputy Director of DMH  
Laine Young-Walker, MD, Children's  
Services  
Debra Walker, Public Affairs  
Rikki Wright, General Counsel  
Dan Haug, Division of  
Administrative Services  
Lynne Fulks, DAS Budget & Finance  
Mark Stringer, Division of  
Behavioral Health  
James Jackson, Human Resources  
Marcy Volner, Division of  
Developmental Disabilities  
Emily Koenig, Children's Services  
Heather Eisterhold, Director's Office  
Laurie Epple, Division of  
Behavioral Health  
Nora Bock, Division of  
Behavioral Health

Angie Stuckenschneider, Division of  
Behavioral Health  
Donna Siebeneck, Division of  
Administrative Services  
April Maxwell, Division of  
Developmental Disabilities  
Julia LePage, Division of  
Developmental Disabilities  
Rick Gowdy, Division of  
Behavioral Health  
Val Huhn, Division of Developmental  
Disabilities  
Vicki McCarrell, Division of  
Developmental Disabilities  
Tonya Piephoff, Division of  
Developmental Disabilities  
Bob Reitz, Division of  
Behavioral Health

**GUESTS**

Vickie Epple, DMH-DBH  
Chaz Nickolaus, MO DD Council  
Robin Rust, UMKC, IHD  
Felix Vincenz, SLPRC  
Angie Brenner, DMH-DD  
Kim Stock, DMH-DD  
Ed Thomas, ARC of MO/Camden  
County SB 40  
Cory McMahon, Self Advocate

TOPIC/ISSUE	DISCUSSION
<p>CALL TO ORDER/ INTRODUCTIONS</p> <p>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</p> <p>OPEN DISCUSSION</p>	<p>Neva Thurston, Chair, called the Missouri Mental Health Commission meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. on February 11, 2015. The meeting was held at the Department of Mental Health, 1706 E. Elm St., Jefferson City, MO</p> <p>Self-introductions were made.</p> <p>Gary Duncan motioned for approval of the January 8, 2015 meeting minutes. Steve Roling seconded the motion; motion carried with approval of the minutes.</p>
<p>BUDGET UPDATE</p>	<p>Dan Haug and Lynne Fulks provided an update on the budget. Handout is located at <a href="http://dmh.mo.gov/about/diroffice/commission/2015MeetingSchedule.htm">http://dmh.mo.gov/about/diroffice/commission/2015MeetingSchedule.htm</a></p>
<p>DD WAIT LIST</p>	<p>Val Huhn provided an update on the DD Wait List. Handout is located at <a href="http://dmh.mo.gov/about/diroffice/commission/2015MeetingSchedule.htm">http://dmh.mo.gov/about/diroffice/commission/2015MeetingSchedule.htm</a></p>
<p>HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES RULE CHANGES</p>	<p>Tonya Piephoff, Kim Stock, Angie Brenner and Cory McMahon provided an update on the Home and Community Based Services Rule Changes. Handout is located at <a href="http://dmh.mo.gov/about/diroffice/commission/2015MeetingSchedule.htm">http://dmh.mo.gov/about/diroffice/commission/2015MeetingSchedule.htm</a></p>
<p>PUBLIC COMMENT</p>	<p>No public comment.</p>
<p>DIVISIONS AND SECTION UPDATES</p>	<p><b><u>Division of Behavioral Health</u></b></p> <p>Mark Stringer, DBH Director, updated the Commission on the Division of Behavioral Health.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Excellence in Mental Health Act is in the planning process with the hope that MO will be one of the eight states selected by December 2016. The Division is in the process of preparing a response on the currently published draft certification criteria.</li> <li>• The construction of Fulton State Hospital is to be completed by December 2017 and should be ready to occupy in Spring of 2018. Discussion will begin with potential vendors on the demolition of parts of the current hospital. There will be a three phase process of the demolitions with the last phase being the Biggs Maximum Security Building in 2018. The design team will spend twelve days meeting with Fulton State Hospital staff to begin discussion on details.</li> <li>• The suicide rate in Missouri is currently higher than the US rate. Dr. Young Walker is working with a team on a zero suicide initiative. The team traveled to Washington DC and attended the Zero Suicide Policy Academy.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Division of Administration</u></b></p>

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	<p>Dan Haug updated the Commission on Division of Administration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Staff has been busy working on the Department's budget along with the many Fiscal Notes being processed.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Children's Update</u></b></p> <p>Emily Koenig updated the Commission on the Children's Office.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patsy Carter has stepped down from the Governor's Coordinating Board for Early Childhood due to the increase in demands on her time. Emily will be replacing Patsy on the Coordinating Board along with heading up the Early Childhood Mental Health workgroup that is under the Coordinating Board.</li> <li>Project LAUNCH Grant focuses on children birth to eight around five core prevention strategies. We are currently working in a pilot area located in North City St Louis area. Two strategies that have potential for long term sustainability include Parent Cafes and a Strengthening Families training curriculum recently developed by the University of Missouri-Extension in collaboration and partnership with the Children's Trust Fund. Both strategies seek to increase the capacity of parents around the five key protective factors which include; parental resilience, social connections, knowledge of parenting and child development, concrete support in times of need, and social and emotional competence of children.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Legislative Update</u></b></p> <p>Bob Bax updated the Commission on Legislative Affairs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Handout is located at <a href="http://dmh.mo.gov/about/diroffice/commission/2015MeetingSchedule.htm">http://dmh.mo.gov/about/diroffice/commission/2015MeetingSchedule.htm</a></li> </ul>
NEXT MEETING	The next Mental Health Commission Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 12, 2015. This meeting will be held at the Department of Mental Health, 1706 East Elm St., Jefferson City, MO.
ADJOURN	<p>Gary Duncan made a motion for adjournment; Kathy Carter seconded. Meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.</p> <hr/> <p>Steve Roling, Secretary</p>