## Missouri Eating Disorders Council Minutes

March 27, 2023

**Council Members Present:** 

Stephanie Bagby-Stone

Eric Martin

Rebekah Freese

Annie Seal

Paul Polychronis

Denise Wilfley

Jenny Copeland

Rikki Wright

Marjorie Cole

Beth Monson

**Council Members Absent:** 

Janet Clevenger Kimberli McCallum

Ginny Ramseyer Winter

Rachel Jones

Beth Harrell

Rebecca Lester

Del Camp

Heidi Strickler

John Pruett

Department of Mental Health Staff:

Lori Franklin Alex Withers

Guests:

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION/FOLLOW-UP NEEDED
Welcome/Introductions	Annie Seal called the meeting to order.	
Approval of Minutes	Annie Seal called for the approval of the January meeting minutes. Rikki Wright motioned to approve the minutes. Eric Martin seconded. Minutes approved as written.	
Updates and Announcements  Budget	Annie Seal announced that she had a meeting with Nora Bock, Director of the Division of Behavioral Health (DBH), Valerie Huhn, Director of the Department of Mental Health (DMH) and Rikki Wright, Deputy Director of the DMH. They discussed getting eating disorders reclassified as a serious mental illness. There is much complexity around this reclassification but they are trying to figure out the implications to start this reclassification process.  Annie Seal shared that she continues efforts in locating a legislator to join the EDC.  Lori Franklin announced that the budget report summary had been emailed to the EDC members. The report shows the breakdown of all the programs, expenditures, and then	
	the balance of 61,441.58 left in the budget. The EDC confirmed that all funds would be spent by the end of the fiscal year. A reminder was given about submitting invoices by the first week of June 2023.	

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Body U	Denise Wilfley shared that they have been updating the Body U team's content. They are adding loneliness and approving improved social connectedness. Summer 2023 the pilot program will be launching and in the fall, a full launch will happen. They have been working closely with Clayton school district and recruiting for a parent and professional team advisor's board. They will be sending out more information about these boards later. It will be about a one (1) hour commitment every month.	
360 Training	Denise Wilfley shared that she has been working with Felicity Zang. Felicity reported in terms of the Body U Instagram account, 139 individuals followed the account last month and 189 individuals engaged in the last month. It was much more highly engaged with Eating Disorders Wellness Week. They also had a wellness fair at MST that was very successful. They have a full week of training going on for 360.  The EDC will continue to meet virtually in 2023.  Annie Seal called for the meeting to be adjourned.	
Next Meeting	Next meeting will be May 22, 2023.	