

St. Clair County Community Mental Health Authority
Advisory Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 21, 2023

PRESENT:

Advisory Committee Members: Nancy Thompson, Nora Condland, Alesha Fay, Cynthia Raymo, Tosia Tucker, Amy Sanderson

CMH Staff: Debra Johnson (Chief Executive Officer), Kathleen Gallagher (Program Director), Sarah Herrle (Community Relations Representative), Jami Strickler (CMH Recording Secretary), Gloria Valentin (CMH Recording Secretary)

ABSENT: Lisa Clark, Ruth Thick

I. CALL TO ORDER/AGENDA CHANGES –N. Thomson

Nancy Thomson, Advisory Council Chairperson called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

II. REVIEW/ACCEPT MINUTES - Group

The Advisory Council members accepted the minutes from May 17, 2023 as presented.

III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE –D. Johnson

- **Community Health Improvement Plan**

A copy of the St. Clair County Health Department’s CHIP PowerPoint was provided to Council Members and a brief overview of the information was discussed. Key community issues identified in the report were: Mental/Behavioral Health, Substance Use Disorder, Obesity and Associated Health Behaviors.

- **Strategic Planning**

The Agency continues to work on updated Strategic Planning framework using the CHIP review and community surveys sent out by the Agency in our Annual Report to evaluate the needs of the area residents.

- **Mission, Vision, Values**

A draft of the outline for the updated Agency Mission, Vision, and Values was provided to Council Members for review. This draft will be a companion article to a simplified Mission, Vision, and Values statement.

IV. CMH Updates- K. Gallagher

A. Galley Updates

The future of the Galley remains unknown. Chef Mike has been on a leave of

absence following a medical issue. As a result the Home-style Cooking classes have been put on hold for the near future. The Agency is currently considering options that will allow us to continue to offer these valuable courses long term after Chef Mike's retirement in September.

B. CCBHC Site Visit

The Agency will be hosting its first CCBHC site visit next week. This is an opportunity for consultation, as we continue to operate as a demonstration site.

C. Naloxone/Fentanyl Strip Box

The Odyssey House will be providing a Naloxone Box to the Agency which will house doses to be available to the community. Additionally, in the future the Agency hopes to add Fentanyl Test strips to this service, however the Health Department is unable to supply those at this time.

D. Therapeutic Foster Care Model

A conference call took place this morning wherein the urgent need for therapeutic foster care homes in the community. The Agency continues to advocate for regulated seclusion and restraint options to be available to keep children safe in foster or group home settings. There was discussion regarding alternative plans for our area children.

V. Community Relations- S. Herrle

- **Marine City Open House**

Ms. Herrle shared with the Council the flyer for the Open House at the new Marine City Office location. The Open House will take place Monday, June 26th from 4:30-6:30pm, and Council Members are encouraged to attend where they can watch the ribbon cutting, tour the new building, and meet staff. Light snacks will be provided.

- **Rotary Parade**

The Agency will be sponsoring a float in Port Huron's annual Rotary International Day Parade. Flyers were provided to Council members, and anyone interested in volunteering to walk or ride can register via the CMH website.

- **Summer Events**

The Agency will be participating in the following community events thru the summer:

- Blue Water Pride Festival 06/25/2023
- Marine City Open House 06/26/2023
- Rotary International Day Parade 07/12/2023
- Family Night* 07/13/2023
- Victory Day 08/11/2023
- Unity in the Community 08/19/2023

VI. Policy Review

- 03-003-0065 Satisfaction Surveys

VII. Council Round Table

- Ms. Fay spoke of the upcoming Anti Stigma BBQ being hosted by the Odyssey House on July 7th from 4-7pm. Council members are welcome to attend, and asked to spread the word.
- Ms. Condland reports there has been an approval for the plan to create the Odyssey House mosaic fish, and they are now in the fund raising stage of development. The fish for the Agency office in Marine City has been completed and will be displayed at the Open House. There is a continued need for artists. Council members are encouraged to spread the word.
- Ms. Tucker initiated a conversation regarding risk mitigation measures offered to community members with SUD.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:46 PM by Nancy Thomson

IX. Next Meeting

Wednesday, July 19, 2023 from 12PM-1PM via Lifesize or in person

Respectfully Submitted By:

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Recording Secretary

cc: Debra B. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer
Kathleen Gallagher, Program Director
Tracy Goyette, Executive Secretary
Advisory Committee Members
Marcy Cameron
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