



**Mental Health Funding and Policy Committee (MHFC)**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
October 20, 2008

**1300 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1000**  
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**Attendants: Larry Poaster, Tom Greene, Rusty Selix, Patricia Ryan, Wayne Clark, Richard Van Horn, Dede Ranahan, Kirsten Deichert, Sheri Whitt, Jose Oseguera, Matt Lieberman (phone), Janna Lowder (staff)**

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion/</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Individual Responsible</b>
I. Welcome / Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Both Co-Chairs extended a warm welcome to all attendees.</li> <li>➤ Changes to the Agenda: Possible discussion of the Commission Meeting Schedule, Response letter to Rose King and removal of the DMH funding report.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Tom Greene, Larry Poaster</li> </ul>
II. Review and Approve Minutes from September 20, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Minutes from the September Committee Meeting were approved.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Tom Greene, Larry Poaster</li> </ul>
III. Response Letter to Rose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Discussion on the response letter to Rose King. A draft letter was past out to all committee members.</li> <li>➤ A suggestion was made that the letter needed to be strengthen and to be clearer in the steps the MHSOAC is taking to address the issues raised by Rose.</li> <li>➤ It was suggested that the signatory should be Linford.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Response letter will be revised to incorporate suggestions and emailed to Linford.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Richard Van Horn, Sheri Whitt</li> </ul>
IV. Revised Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Discussion on the charter and the</li> </ul>		

<p>Charter</p>	<p>language differences between the first and second page. The roles and responsibilities on page one describe current roles and the second page describes roles in the future.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Additional language was suggested and discussed. Members will email their suggestions to staff. The discussed suggestions included language on the topics of financial forecasting, knowledge of mental health funding, and an informed stakeholder process.</li> <li>➤ Revised charter will be discussed at the November committee meeting and then presented as part of the report to the Commission.</li> <li>➤ The finalized charter will need to be reviewed by legal counsel prior to be presented to the Commission.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Charter suggestions will be emailed to staff.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Sheri Whitt</li> </ul>
<p>V. Proposed plan for providing non-exclusive services</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Discussion on the Counties' role in the decision process in the implementation of the MHSA and the lack of a formal forum for discussion throughout the beginning of the MHSA implementation.</li> <li>➤ Discussion on the best way to handle the current two-tiered system. Suggestion included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Providing varied levels of services based on individual need.</li> <li>-Changing the definition of FSP to be based on individual need.</li> <li>-Changing the definition of new programs.</li> <li>-Further clarification on underserved and inappropriately served and whom fulfills these criteria.</li> <li>-Re-interpretation of the CSS guidelines.</li> </ul> </li> <li>➤ It was suggested that CMHDA could develop a paper to outline the next steps for the counties.</li> <li>➤ Discussion on questions which could be included in an email sent to a NAMI list/serve.</li> <li>➤ Possible next steps for the committee may include recommending to the</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ An email will be sent out to NAMI list serve asking specific questions.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Patricia Ryan</li> <li>➤ Patricia Ryan</li> <li>➤ Dede Ranahan</li> </ul>

	<p>Commission that there are additional interpretations of the act, which could potentially alleviate the two tiered system issue. Also CMHDA could present a paper which would provide details on how the counties could utilize these new interpretations. These interpretations would clearly identify what is allowed and not allowed by the language of the MHSA. An email will also be mailed out to a 250 person list/serve through NAMI which could provide support for these changes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Additionally, it was suggested that a resource guide could provide counties with “how-to” information and examples of steps counties could take.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Rusty Selix</li> </ul>
<p>VI. November Commission Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ It was suggested that a conversation with both chairs and Dr. Mayberg could be helpful.</li> <li>➤ Discussion on the three OSAE reports and if corrective action plans have been written.</li> <li>➤ Discussion on the counties’ ability to hold the state accountable to the OSAE recommendations and corrective actions. It was suggested that a resource for counties is the legislature and the MHSOAC.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ A meeting with both chairs and Dr. Mayberg will be scheduled</li> <li>➤ Identify if corrective action plans have been developed for all three OSAE reports and/or what corrective steps have been taken.</li> <li>➤ Develop a matrix which displays the OSAE recommendations, the corrective action proposed by DMH, and the status of the action.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Tom Greene, Larry Poaster</li> <li>➤ Janna Lowder</li> <li>➤ Janna Lowder</li> </ul>
<p>VII. Action Items from the September Meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Discussion on the topics of conflicts of interest and committee membership insurance. It was clarified that insurance is not necessary.</li> </ul>		

<p><b>VIII. Action Items</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Action items were assigned during the meeting in preparation of the next meeting, in November.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Response letter will be revised to incorporate suggestions and emailed to Linford.</li> <li>➤ Charter suggestions will be emailed to staff.</li> <li>➤ An email will be sent out to NAMI list serve asking specific questions.</li> <li>➤ A meeting with both chairs and Dr. Mayberg will be scheduled</li> <li>➤ Identify if corrective action plans have been developed for all three OSAE reports and/or what corrective steps have been taken.</li> <li>➤ Develop a matrix which displays the OSAE recommendations, the corrective action proposed by DMH, and the status of the action.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Sheri Whitt</li> <li>➤ Dede Ranahan</li> <li>➤ Tom Greene, Larry Poaster</li> <li>➤ Janna Lowder</li> <li>➤ Janna Lowder</li> </ul>
<p><b>IX. Adjournment</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Discussion on scheduling the November Committee Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ An email will be sent to all members requesting availability. A confirmation email will be sent out when a date and time have been set.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Tom Greene, Larry Poaster, Janna Lowder</li> </ul>