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**Meeting Minutes**  
**July 23, 2009**

**Call to Order**

- Ralls County is now included in a multi county case management arrangement coordinated by Macon County.
- Franklin County reported that the ISL project is wrapping up. A single rate averaged across the months seems to be the final decision, but the absolute final isn't out yet.
- The Marshall Habilitation Center changes are going to include case management being provided by the Center for Human Services.
- Camden County announced that they have hired a case management supervisor.
- Taney and green Counties are meeting with the Boards of the surrounding counties to discuss possible case management provision in that region.

**Alecia Archer** moved to accept the minutes from the June meetings and **Lynn Wells** seconded the motion. The **motion carried**.

Finance report had been distributed. There was note made of the \$10,000 which appeared as revenue, and it was actually the CD deposited in the checking account rather than being reinvested. **Jim Casey** moved to accept the finance report and **Nancy Hayes** seconded the motion. The **motion carried**.

**Executive Coordinator's Report**

- In process of closing out the MHTF accounts, the grant cycle is over and we did not reapply
- Conference planning is coming along, speakers are identified and some are confirmed and the promo materials are ordered
- The annual report is also coming along. Please send your surveys in by fax or survey monkey as soon as possible, but no later than August 15th.
- Strategic Plan is being updated by committee and a draft will soon be available to review

**Agency Liaison Reports**

- No report available on MARF.
- No report available on MoAnchor
- The Coalition minutes were sent out to the membership. Their latest conversations have centered on electronic signatures for electronic records.

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- Vocational Rehabilitation representatives Michael Cook and Rebecca Largent spoke about the future of the vocational assessment and future expectations from providers. No determinations have been made yet, but the philosophy is to spend the available dollars better, looking for more outcomes not less money spent. The target date for the report is October 1st, but that date may not be met. One member asked about a decrease in referrals for assessments, and asked to compare 2009 to 2008 in terms of referrals. Another question raised was if any partnering was taking place with the DMH employment specialists now in each regional office, and it did not seem as if it was happening at this time.
- Supported Employment was reported on by Wendy Hayes, who reported that the APSE conference is going to be August 5, 6, and 7 at Stoney Creek in Columbia. A major focus will be on transition in general, which will include transition from school to work but not limited to that kind of transition. More information or registration forms may be found on the website at APSE MO.org. There is also a very good Employment First position paper on the national APSE website
- Vicki McCarrell will update us on the Missouri Planning Council later in the meeting.
- Ann Graff reported that the Sheltered Workshop managers meeting will be held in October
- No report from the Congress on Disability
- PIC was represented by Ann Graff who reports that it is the 10th anniversary of Olmsted, some information on the \$ following the person and some information on HUD opportunities
- There was no report on the Mental Health Commission
- Ron Kruse asked that we return to the Coalition discussion and asked that he be replaced as the MAC representative due to some shifting duties in his own agency. Ann Graff volunteered to be that representative.

### Committee Reports

- The Executive Committee met this morning and discussed the by-law revisions proposed at the last meeting. The revisions are posted on the web site. **Jim Casey** moved to accept the revisions and **Jake Jacobs** seconded the motion. **The motion carried.**  
The executive committee began the process of evaluating the contract for the executive coordinator position and the conference coordination. The draft of the expectations should be ready by the August meeting and the bids received for review by the September meeting. A suggestion was made that the governmental affairs committee may want to also look at their contract and expectations.
- The Governmental Affairs committee presented the 2010 Legislative Priorities draft and there was much discussion. **Ron Kruse** moved to reword some pieces and change some priorities based on the discussion and **Jennifer Wooldridge** seconded the motion. **The motion carried.**
- The Education and Training Committee reported that they met today with the Conference Committee and that the speakers are set for the conference, it seems to be a well rounded presentation of topics and will hopefully make the needed amount of money for the organization. Cathy Arrowsmith reported that she will have the awards criteria sent out via email by the end of next week.

### Presentation on the proposed Medicaid Waiver

#### **Roger Garlich and Kay Green and Jane Kruse**

- Kay reported that Missouri is up to 4 Medicaid Waivers now
- For this county matched prevention focused waiver the effective date could be January 1, 2010 if everything goes according to schedule and plan.
- The initial waiver will be approved for 3 years and in the second year work can begin for the renewal. If that is approved then a 5 year period will be the next approval.
- If counties want in they need to commit as once that is completed and submitted it will be 3 years before the opportunity to get slots is again available.

- Are non MACDDS counties with SB40 eligible to participate? No one knew the answer to that question.
- Many parts of the waiver are consistent with other waivers in terms of administrative rules, assurances etc. Division of Developmental Disabilities is the agent in agreement with MoHealth Net.
- Handout discussion, starting with Appendix B Participant Access and Eligibility
  - \$12,000 cap could be exceeded under the exceptions process for short term situations and when it is possible to meet needs with other generic services. As a last resort transfer to another waiver
  - Language is present to confirm that this is the right waiver for the person
  - If the participant leaves a county do they leave the waiver since it is county funded and only 28 counties are participating at this time? If they are moving to another county with the same waiver there may or may not be slots available.
  - Reserve capacity by county?
  - Training to introduce waiver
  - Same rate for same service? Some services in the application are available in other waivers, and those will have a consistent rate
  - Cannot grow the participants without state dollars to invest. A significant increase in participants would call for an amendment
  - The same number of participants will be in each of the 3 years approved.
  - Slots cannot be traded among counties
  - Look at distribution on a regular basis, say 6 month.
  - 380 maximum that may be served at any time, allows for turnover, commitment to actual number of participants.
  - What about a legal opinion concerning due diligence for county boards?
  - Are UR scores an equitable process for admission?
  - Should we have a different assessment tool since we are looking at a new concept (prevention)
  - Could the UR score be set so that when you are at a 7 you automatically go to another category?
  - Is the wait list a method of defining sonority for services?
  - Can the committee set categories?
  - Problems discussed today cannot be solved in this setting, will need to be taken back to committee for discussion and thought process
  - Only people who meet the requirements set out can be served. This may need to be taken out of the definition based on the numbers of transition participants expected to come into the system
  - Feedback is needed by the August 6th meeting plus the number of slots by county with a phase in timeline. A survey will be distributed to gather the correct information for the August 6th meeting, which will be set up via go to meeting

Jeff Grosvenor reported that there will be no division update for tomorrow's meeting due to an unexpected commitment for Bernie Simons' and his team. He did report that

- The Fiscal Directive is on hold for additional input and consistency
- The other workgroups are on schedule to implement their plans
- 2010 budget is the topic for the next Mental Health Commission meeting.

**Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC's)**  
**Karen Dent, Missouri Primary Care Association**

- Federally Qualified Health Centers are also known as Community Health Centers
  - Not for profit, community owned
  - Provide primary care, dental services, mental health services and ancillary services
  - Serve under-served, under insured and noninsured
  - Self pay, sliding fee schedule or Medicaid
- Prioritize some services so that a wait may be necessary
- Different centers have different protocols
- 21 FQHC's in Missouri
  - 874,867 services
  - 274,322 patients
- The majority of each FQHC Board must be patients
- Provide screening and diagnosis/management of chronic conditions
- Increased access with federal funds to offset actual costs
- Mental Health capacity is screening and counseling referrals, those services are generally contracted out
- To establish anew FQHC a need must be established (medically underserved)
  - A board or steering committee must be established to explore the possibilities and respond to need
  - Some doctors and dentists volunteer their time, but most are FTE's
- Catalog with listing distributed. For more information visits
  - www.mo-pca.org
  - or
  - kdent@mailohmn.org with specific questions