

MID-SOUTH SUBSTANCE ABUSE COMMISSION

June 27, 2005 - 6:00 p.m.
Michigan High School Athletic Association
1661 Ramblewood Drive
East Lansing, Michigan

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Dan Alonzi
Joe Brehler
Shirley Carter
Ron Clark
Dale Copedge
Ross Fulton
Allen Garbrecht
Larry Gould
Bob Johnson
Gail Mahoney
Lisa McCafferty
Bob Showers
Ralph Tillotson

ABSENT:

Manager
Ken Lautzenheiser, Chairman
Debbie De Leon
Jean Golden
Ben Miller
Hattie Oliver
Ken Ponds

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Alonzi called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Griffin called roll; 11 present and 8 absent. Two members arrived after roll call.

GUESTS:

Donald Wolosuk, Jackson County
Gerald McCullough, MVA
Roy Vargas, MVA
Troy Wendell, Sparrow Behav. Health
Victor Manzon, SPGB Services

STAFF:

Robin Reynolds, Executive Director
Mary Kronquist, Assistant Director
Gerrie Roeser, Finance Manager
Jeanne Diver, Quality Assurance

Lori Griffin, Executive Secretary

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions.

Mr. Fulton moved approval of the Agenda as printed. Ms. Mahoney supported the motion. The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Program Director's Association Report

There were no representatives from the Association present.

B. Director's Report

Ms. Reynolds reported most of the communications in the packets were for information. These articles included a profile of Ross Fulton from the MAC Newspaper; an article from the Greater Lansing Business Monthly referencing Ingham County appointees to the Commission; and an article from the Lansing State Journal on an indictment in the NYPPP case. Ms. Reynolds noted further indictments may be forthcoming. She briefly stated this was a very good program that provided much needed services in the community. Lastly, Ms. Reynolds stated the flyer on the MADD Strides for Change walk was also for information.

Ms. Reynolds reported the Adult Benefit Waiver was reopened from July 1 to September 30, which means more people will be enrolled. She noted enrollment decreased when it was capped, and it was felt there are additional persons who would be eligible to enroll. She also noted this is an entitlement program, which means any clients who present will need to be served, and since the Commission is at risk for them, and if they can't be funded with ABW funds, block grant would need to be used.

Ms. Reynolds referenced the E-Mail from Matt Myers, Ingham County Undersheriff, on DARE funding for the upcoming year, stating this would be discussed under the Program Development Committee report.

Lastly, Ms. Reynolds stated that in years past, the Commission has not met during the month of July, but with all that is going on with prevention issues and the DARE issue, she would recommend meeting in July.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Treasurer's Report

Ms. Roeser began with the Bills to be Approved, noting they totaled \$775,333.08 for the month. She also noted that Eaton, Ingham and Newaygo PA2 dollars were received, leaving only Jackson still outstanding. She further reported Total Revenues for the month of \$1,279,545.11, Total Expenses of \$197,952.39, which resulted in Net Income of \$1,081,592.72. Ms. Roeser noted the current month Net Income is low due to pulling out the pre-payments to the providers and moving them to a payable account. On the Balance Sheet, Ms. Roeser reported Total Assets and Liabilities & Capital of \$4,359,890.63, and on the Statement of Cash Flow, she noted the Beginning Balance of \$(3,263,712.73), the Ending Balance of \$3,767,974.76, with a Net Increase in Cash of \$504,262.03.

For Medicaid, Ms. Roeser reported the Bills to be Approved totaled \$218,064.55 for the month. She continued by reporting Total Revenues of \$187,990.57, Total Expenses of \$218,064.55, resulting in Net Income for the month of \$(30,073.98). Ms. Roeser reported from the Balance Sheet, Total Assets and Liabilities & Capital of \$239,703.69. On the Statement of Cash Flow, she noted the Beginning Balance of \$(397,250.63), the Ending Balance of \$367,176.65, which resulted in a Net Decrease in Cash of \$(30,073.98).

Ms. Roeser reported the PIHP year-to-date balances as follows: CEI \$104,702.24, with applied savings from FY 03/04 of \$40,122; LifeWays \$(7,346.14), also applied FY 03/04 savings of \$21,188; Venture-Calhoun \$(57,287.43); and Washtenaw \$25,526.04. She continued by reporting PEPM year-to-date received of \$1,489,435.98; savings applied of \$61,310.00; interest earned of \$3,266.78; services paid out of \$1,219,818.11; AAR services of \$115,266.64; administrative costs of \$153,333.30, leaving a balance of \$65,594.71.

Ms. Mahoney moved approval of the Treasurer's Report for May 2005 as presented. Mr. Clark supported the motion. The motion carried.

B. Program Development Committee Report

Mr. Brehler reported the Committee received a program review for Jackson County provider Foote Hospital (Bridgeway Jackson and Hillsdale and Washington Way). He stated Bridgeway Jackson and Washington Way received a good review with no significant problems noted. However, Bridgeway-Hillsdale's review revealed some program and financial findings. He added no remedial actions were suggested due to the forthcoming recommendation for the Hillsdale RFP award.

Mr. Brehler also briefly reviewed the schedule for review of county coalition prevention plans which are due by July 6th. He noted the Board overview will be on July 11th with all of the coalitions meeting on July 12th and 13th. He added all are welcome to attend.

Mr. Brehler next reported on the results of letting the RFP for treatment services in Hillsdale County. He stated two proposals were received, from Bridgeway Center-

Hillsdale, and from McCullough Vargas and Associates. Overall, he reported McCullough Vargas scored highest, therefore, the Committee will recommend they be awarded the RFP. He added that since the program's main office is in Lenawee County, they will establish a physical location in Hillsdale County.

Mr. Brehler moved to award the RFP for treatment services in Hillsdale County to McCullough, Vargas and Associates, for a total amount of \$100,440. Mr. Gould supported the motion. The motion carried.

Lastly, Mr. Brehler stated the issue of funding the Ingham County DARE Program has come up again. He noted a Resolution was passed by the Ingham County Youth Commission not supporting the DARE program, and there is a communication from Undersheriff Matt Myers for consideration. He added both of these items will be discussed by the Committee at its next meeting. Ms. Reynolds stated that the Sheriff's Office approached the schools who receive the program for help funding it, to which they responded they want the program but can't help out with dollars. Mr. Tillotson commented on Mr. Myer's letter, stating the multi-year scenario they are proposing is too far in the future. Mr. Johnson asked for more in-depth information on DARE, adding since it is a prevention program; it should have some correlation to our prevention strategic plan. Ms. Mahoney noted as a point of order that last year, the Commission received extensive information and written documentation on the program, and that all should be ready for discussion in July.

C. Executive Committee Report

Mr. Alonzi reported the Committee received a full report on the Commission's 2004 financial audit, which was good, with only \$216 in findings.

Ms. Mahoney moved acceptance of the 2004 Financial Audit and that it be placed on file. Mr. Tillotson supported the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business brought before the Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Michelle Liska, Executive Director of Prevention Partners, addressed the Commission, stating the prevention providers are concerned by the fact that they have been working under continuation funding and without contracts all year. She added that as prevention moves toward strategic plan submission, they are hopeful contracts will be in place sooner. Ms. Liska also noted concern with how the providers were evaluated on their implementation plans, adding her hope that next time it will be clearly laid out how the evaluations will be done. She added it is unclear to the providers how they will be evaluated.

Ms. McCafferty asked when the Mid-South strategic plan would be presented. Ms. Reynolds responded it would be presented in July.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.