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**MID-SOUTH SUBSTANCE ABUSE COMMISSION
ANNUAL MEETING***

March 22, 2010
Michigan High School Athletic Association
1661 Ramblewood Drive
East Lansing, Michigan

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ralph Tillotson, Chair
Joe Brehler
Shirley Carter
Dale Copedge
Brad Densmore
Debbie DeLeon
Pam DeVaney-Bozinoff
Craig Finger
Patricia Gillis
Cliff Herl
Lynn Mason
Stan Nieboer
Earl Poleski
Robert Showers
Jim Van Doren

GUESTS:

Lisa McCafferty, Ionia alternate
Pat Wheeler, NCA/LRA

STAFF:

Gary VanNorman, Executive Director
Gerrie Roeser, Finance Manager
Lori Coe, Executive Secretary
Jeanne Diver, CCC/Treatment Manager

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dale Barr
Jean Golden

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Tillotson called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

* Annual meeting held in March due to February meeting cancellation

ROLL CALL

Ms. Mason called roll; 14 present and 3 absent. One member arrived after roll call.

Mr. Tillotson moved Item IX. A., Election of Officers to this point in the meeting.

Mr. Van Doren moved to cast a unanimous ballot for the Slate of Officers as presented at the January meeting. Mr. Showers supported the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Poleski assumed the chair. Mr. Poleski inquired if a resolution for Mr. Tillotson's past chairmanship would be in order.

Mr. Showers moved for staff to draft a resolution honoring outgoing Chair Tillotson for his service to the Commission over the last year. Mr. Densmore supported the motion. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 25, 2010

Mr. Van Doren moved approval of the minutes of January 25, 2010 as presented. Mr. Herl supported the motion. The motion carried.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Added under Executive Committee Report were C4, Allocation Formula Update, and C5, Treasurer's Report change.

Mr. Tillotson moved approval of the agenda with changes. Ms. Carter supported the motion. The motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Two articles surrounding methamphetamine in Hillsdale and Jackson counties were provided.

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Director's Report

Mr. VanNorman stated there will be a Provider Retreat on May 6, 2010 at LCC West Campus in Lansing. He noted this will be a significant meeting for next year's planning and will have several topics of discussion. More information will be provided next month.

A Board Retreat is also being planned for June 19, 2010. Mr. Van Doren will try and secure meeting space at Michigan International Speedway. Time will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Information will be sent out to get a head count from members.

Mr. VanNorman reported the Department of Community Health's budget is proposed to be cut 21% of general fund dollars for SUD services next year and with elimination of SDA dollars (statewide SDA is approximately \$2.2 million) we would lose \$108,108 SDA and \$109,586 of general fund dollars.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Treasurer's Reports for January and February 2010

Ms. Carter moved the Executive Committee recommendation to approve the January Treasurer's Report as presented. Mr. Herl supported the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Densmore moved the Executive Committee recommendation to approve the February Treasurer's Report as presented. Ms. DeLeon supported the motion. The motion carried.

At this time, Mr. Poleski asked everyone to introduce themselves to new Board members Pat Gillis and Craig Finger.

B. Program Development Committee Report

Mr. VanNorman reported on agenda items from the meeting. He specifically noted the grant submitted for the Jackson County Drug Court which if awarded, would be \$325,000 each year over three years to add two case managers in the county and serve 66 people per year with improved delivery of care.

The Committee selected Ms. Carter as Chairperson for 2010, and Mr. Herl as Vice Chair.

Mr. Van Doren moved to ratify the Program Development Committee's selection of Ms. Carter as Chair and Mr. Herl as Vice Chair for 2010. Mr. Copedge supported the motion. The motion carried.

C. Executive-Personnel-Finance Committee Report

Mr. VanNorman reported on implications of ABW moving from children's funding to Medicaid program. He noted there are currently around 80,000 people enrolled in ABW, but the state has frozen the program and will revert back to 50,000 people or less. It will now be a full risk contract under the Medicaid waiver, and the dollars will funnel through the PIHP's, then to us, if the PIHP decides to contract with us. He added that previously all funds went toward direct services, but with the change there will be two layers of administrative costs; the PIHP will get the dollars, take some for their administrative costs, and any remaining would come here. He added rates (per eligible per month) will increase. More information will be provided as it is known.

The Per Capita Expenses by County handout was provided for information to show where spending falls within the counties.

Mr. Van Doren moved approval of the Executive Committee recommendation for approval of the FY 08/09 Annual Report as presented. Ms. Carter supported the motion. The motion carried.

Ms. Mason moved approval of the Executive Committee recommendation to send a sample resolution to all counties regarding the inequitable funding allocation formula for substance abuse. Mr. Tillotson supported the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Tillotson moved approval of the Executive Committee recommendation to use the abbreviated format of the Treasurer's Report for meeting purposes Ms. Gillis supported the motion. The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.