

MID-SOUTH SUBSTANCE ABUSE COMMISSION

**January 28, 2008 – 6:00 p.m.
1st Floor Conference Room-Hilliard Building
121 E. Maple Street
Mason, Michigan**

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Joe Brehler
Jan Bunting
Shirley Carter
Dale Copedge
Brad Densmore
Jean Golden
Cliff Herl
Lynn Mason
Jerry Michalowicz
Robert Showers
Deborah Smith
Ralph Tillotson
Bob VanBelzen

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dale Barr
Debbie DeLeon
Earl Poleski
Jim VanDoren

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Showers called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Golden called roll; 12 present and five absent.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 26, 2007

Mr. VanBelzen moved approval of the minutes of November 26, 2007 as presented. Mr. Michalowicz supported the motion. The motion carried.

GUESTS:

Lisa Larson, CDRS
Peggy Phelps, CDRS
Carolyn Hilley, Gratiot CMH
Lisa McCafferty, Ionia H.D.

STAFF:

Gary VanNorman, Exec. Director
Mary Kronquist, Treatment
& Program Dev. Manager
Gerrie Roeser, Finance Manager
Lori Griffin, Exec. Secretary
Jeanne Diver, QA Manager
Joel Hoepfner, Prevention Coord.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Item VIII, B-3 is for information only not an action item.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. VanNorman reported the following:

- Article of SPF-SIG for information. He noted the hard work put in by Mr. Hoepfner in this effort.
- Revised allocation letter from ODCP sent due to departure of Calhoun County.
- The remaining articles were all provided for information.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Director's Report – G. VanNorman

Mr. VanNorman reported work is underway on provider contracts for the new year. He noted there are some issues with detox and service model to be worked out. He also noted a detox provider has requested a reimbursement rate of more than what we currently pay. He added we need to look at all implications for the possible issuance of an RFP and to make sure services are available for clients. These questions will be dealt with by the Program Development Committee.

B. Treasurer's Report – R. Tillotson

Mr. Tillotson moved the Executive Committee recommendation for approval of the Community Grant and PA2 portions of the Treasurer's Reports for November and December 2007, as presented. Ms. Mason supported the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Tillotson moved the Executive Committee recommendation for approval of the Medicaid portions of the Treasurer's Reports for November and December 2007, as presented. Mr. VanBelzen supported the motion. The motion carried.

C. Unaudited FY06/07 Close-Out

The unaudited close-out report was briefly reviewed by Mr. VanNorman. He reported some PA2 dollars were freed up for use this year, and block grant funds in the amount of \$60,310.63 were used to restore PA2 dollars in some counties so as to not lapse the block grant dollars back to the state. Mr. VanNorman also reported there were savings in the administrative budget due to receipt of the SPF-SIG, and there were retroactive Medicaid increases to providers. He also reported CEI approved carry forward Medicaid dollars totaling \$64,000 due to the state allowing the PIHPs to carry up to 5% of the Medicaid PEPM. In addition, the state rebased Medicaid funding for FY08 resulting in a decrease in CEI and an increase in LifeWays. Lastly, Mr. VanNorman reported budget amendments will come before the Commission in February.

D. Power of We Funding Request

Mr. Copedge moved the Executive Committee recommendation for approval of the Power of We funding request for \$5,000 of Ingham County PA2 funds. Ms. Golden supported the motion. The motion carried.

E. Slate of Officers for 2008

Mr. Densmore moved the Nominating Committee recommendation for the Slate of Officers for 2008 as follows: Robert Showers, Chairman; Ralph Tillotson, vice Chair; Earl Poleski, Treasurer; Bob VanBelzen, Secretary. Mr. Herl supported the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business brought before the Commission.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.