

**Minutes of the  
Winnebago County Mental Health Advisory Committee  
Wednesday, May 8, 2013 @ 7:30 a.m.  
Rosecrance, 1021 N. Mulford, Rockford, IL**

**Present:** Phil Eaton, Donny Parham, Angie Goral, Carol Klint, Richard Kunnert, Matthew Toohey

**Absent:** Dr. Marilyn Griffin

**Others Present:** Joe Capone and Mike Bacon

The meeting began at approximately 7:30 a.m.

Committee members took time to welcome Matt Toohey back to the Advisory Committee. All were elated at his progress and was looking forward to his always thoughtful input and participation. Mr. Eaton indicated that the special treats this morning were in Matt's honor.

**MINUTES OF February 13 2013 MEETING AND NOTES FROM MARCH 13 AND APRIL 10 MEETINGS.**

It was moved by Angie Goral and seconded by Carol Klint to accept the meeting minutes and notes for each of these dates as presented, with all members voting aye.,

**DRAFT SLIDES**

There was a brief discussion on progress around slides with Mike Bacon and Dick Kunnert and Matt Toohey agreeing to continue this work. These three agreed to identify a time when they could meet to design changes.

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE WORKGROUP**

Mr. Bacon provided a brief review of the highlights from the Frequent Offender Workgroup meeting held on April 25 at Rosecrance (on Mulford). The outcome of the meeting reaffirm the commitment of all participants to work together to identify solutions. There was further discussion by the Mental Health Advisory Committee on the utility of adding additional membership to this group. Specific names and organizations were discussed. The next meeting will be the fourth Thursday in May; if that does not work it will be the fourth Thursday in June.

**REPORT FROM OTHER BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COMMITTEES**

Mr. Capone from NAMI discussed their plans for Board expansion, particularly to improve diversity. He explained that currently the NAMI Board consists of eight members and the By-Laws allow for up to 14 members

## **OTHER MATTERS:**

A brief discussion of a *JAMA* article on DSM5 (Psychiatry's Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders) and its scheduled release in May of 2013. There was discussion about the utility of having a Proclamation from the County Board Chair proclaiming the month of May behavioral health month. There was further discussion on this topic. Mr. Bacon will complete a draft for the County Board Chair's office. There was further discussion about who from the Committee may be able to attend. Unfortunately Mr. Bacon will be out of town on that date. Angie Goral from the County Board will certainly be there. Others indicated the need to check their calendar and will confirm.

## **NEXT MEETING**

There was a reminder of the next meeting on Wednesday, June 12, 2013.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further items on the agenda, there was a motion to adjourn with a reminder that the next meeting is scheduled for June 12. The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, J. Maichle Bacon

Approved by the Mental Health Advisory Committee: June 12, 2013  
DATE