

DATE: August 12, 2014

LEADER: Ben Maas

TIME: 4:00-6:00 p.m.

RECORDER: Lisa Gjerde

COUNCIL MEMBERS			LIAISON MEMBERS			GUESTS
Name	P	A	Name	P	A	Name
Caroline Beise	√		Alene Chelman	√		
Sam Deweese		√	Melissa Hanson	√		
Christine Dondlinger	√		Gary Norman		√	
Lisa Gjerde	√					
Lisa Inman		√				
Sue Kunitz		√				
Ben Maas	√					
Rod Sawtell	√					
Twyla Sawtell	√					
Becky Sorenson		√				
Eddie Tipton	√					
Virginia Wright	√					

Agenda	Activity/Discussion	Decision/Action/Conclusion
Call to Order	Lisa G. called the meeting to order.	Approved by consensus.
Approval of July Minutes	Ben, Eddie, and Twyla made motions to approve the minutes.	Approved by consensus.

<p>Approval of August Agenda</p>	<p>Ben and Lisa G. made motions to approve the agenda.</p>	<p>Approved by consensus.</p>
<p>Election of Officers</p>	<p>The only two members who submitted their candidacy to be chair or vice-chair were Sam and Ben. Prior to the meeting, Sam withdrew his candidacy for (sole) chair, although he will continue to liaison with the Consortium. The suggestion was made that Ben and Sam be co-chairs, with the proviso that they alternate in leading council meetings.</p> <p>We then voted to nominate Ben as chair.</p>	<p>We voted on whether or not to have the two be co-chairs, and the vote was split, 4-4. Eddie made the motion to vote next month, but the motion was not carried. We voted a second time, with the result that we would not have co-chairs (7-1).</p> <p>Ben was approved (7-1). Ben made the motion to vote for Sam as vice-chair and Lisa G. as secretary/recorder, and both motions were approved by consensus.</p>
<p>Mission Statement</p>	<p>Christine stated that the mission statement is an action statement, telling others what it is that the LAC does. Since the last two sentences of the revised mission statement do not reflect any action, she suggested that we strike these two sentences from the statement. After further discussion, a motion was made to eliminate the last two sentences from the mission statement; the motion was carried with one abstention. Secondly, a motion was made by Christine and Eddie to accept the new mission statement (only the first two sentences), and this was approved by consensus.</p>	<p>The mission statement was approved, minus the last two sentences.</p>
<p>Priority Action Items</p>	<p>Upon studying the list of priority action items as submitted by various members of the council, Christine determined that the top three are housing and beds, support services, and more clinical staff. It was also suggested to create ideas regarding what the Board of Commissioners can do to work on these areas. Christine made the motion to accept these three items as our top priorities; Eddie seconded this, and the motion was approved by consensus.</p>	

<p>Member Comments</p>	<p>Eddie suggested we list our names on the Carver County website, following our council description. He also reported on the most recent We-Cab meeting he attended. Currently operating out of Mound, We-Cab is trying to expand into four other cities in Carver County. Ridgeview has contributed some money in order to be in their service area.</p> <p>Christine discussed how difficult it can be for a homeless person to attain housing, especially if he/she is not experiencing a mental health crisis or chemical addiction. We decided to ask Jen Romero, the new housing coordinator for the county, to speak at a future meeting.</p> <p>Ben suggested we brainstorm on one action item each month for the next three months. He also stated that it would be helpful to have a “Mental Health Flowchart 101” that would identify and describe all the various mental health services/programs currently available. Christine noted that we could glean information from council members as well as guest speakers, considering that each member has had a variety of experiences in the mental health field.</p>	<p>After the meeting, Alene invited Jen Romero to our September meeting, and Jen accepted.</p> <p>Melissa said she would bring information to a future meeting regarding housing issues such as foster care and assisted living.</p>
<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>The motion was made to adjourn the meeting.</p>	<p>Approved by consensus.</p>