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### **Our Mission:**

MACDDS is dedicated to the promotion of county initiatives in developmental disability services.

### **Minutes**

**Wednesday, August 25, 2010  
Lodge of Four Seasons, Lake Ozark, MO**

#### **Call to Order:** Jennifer Wooldridge, President

Introductions/General Announcements/Celebrations of Success

- Jefferson County went through a Medicaid audit with no recommendations
- Moniteau County is going to start case management soon.
- Callaway County received a three year CARF accreditation.
- Wendy Hayes announced that they had just purchased a building in Shelbina for four case managers to work out of.
- Camden County is undergoing a major building renovation
- Phelps County is up and running fully staffed with 6, possibly 7 case managers as of September 7<sup>th</sup>. Requesting art work from people supported to frame for the walls in the office.
- Jackson County hired 7 additional case managers and promoted one to supervisor in house.

Minutes from July 2010 meetings had been distributed electronically. **Jake Jacobs** moved to accept as presented and **Staci Harrison** seconded the vote. The **motion carried**.

Finance/Treasurer Report – July 2010 Financials had been electronically distributed by Ann Graff. **Betsy Barnes** moved to approve and **Charlie Washburn** seconded the motion. The **motion carried**.

#### **Agency Liaison Reports:**

**MARF (B. Barnes)** No report, but Doris did report back on the joint meeting days being planned for March 2011.

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**Coalition** (A. Graff) Met August 10<sup>th</sup> with Bernie Simons and Jeff Grosvenor. Ann will forward the summary of the budget meeting recapped at that meeting to the membership. Follow up letter written that includes DMH Roadmap adjustments, TCM agreement not ready by September 1<sup>st</sup>, at legal counsel office, Provider Profile set to start in November, and Provider capacity from MARF survey

**Voc Rehab** (M. Cook & Rebecca Largent) no report this month

**Supported Employment** (W. Hays) August's APSE conference was great. VR will be providing training on their changes soon.

**MO Planning Council** (V. McCarrell) Two organizational change grants have been awarded and are underway. There is an expanded career planning project, additional information on the planning Council's web site. The Council has partnered to bring education about community providers. There is a video online and available for use, titled, Good Golly Miss Molly

**Sheltered Workshops** (A. Graff) will meet in October.

**Congress on Disability** (C. Snow) No recent meeting. **Betsy Barnes** moved to remain a member of the Congress and **Chuck Snow** seconded the motion. **The motion carried.**

**Mental Health Commission** (Alecia Archer) Health Care Homes was the primary discussion topic. Keith Schafer also said the 22m hole from the waiver recall at Marshall will come from providers. Robin Rust will present on Health Care Homes tomorrow.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Executive** (J. Wooldridge) Met by telephone and discussed the organizational restructure including raising the amount of dues to fund advocacy both in the legislature and in the Division of Developmental Disabilities That discussion continued with the membership. An unknown at this time is if we will be awarded the MFH grants to fund a media campaign and educational materials, we will know about that in mid September. The plan became for the executive committee to work with Doris and CAB to put a simple survey together and survey the membership for feedback. There will need to be a quick turnaround.

**Public Awareness** (A. Archer) The calendar was circulated to add meetings or work groups. Surveys are due for *the* annual report next week, with the analysis beginning the day after Labor Day.

**Education & Training** (J. Casey) Conference brochure is out electronically plus Doris brought print copies. Awards committee is looking for responses by 9/17/10.

**Governmental Affairs** (P. Capo/M. Sullivan-Thomas) The monthly conference calls that have been scheduled on the Friday before a MAC meeting are being moved the Thursday before the meeting. Others are encouraged to call in and participate. Hot legislation appears to be revamp of tax credits, expansion of Medicaid, and managed care ABV.

**Regulations/Standards/Policy** (J. Tilman) No report.

**Finance** (A. Graff) The finance information was already covered in the executive report.

**Quality Assurance/Enhancement** (R Kruse) Ron has spoken with Paul Andrew at CARF about the possibility of several smaller counties going in together to pay for a survey. There has also been no response from the letter we sent some time ago endorsing accreditation for TCM providers.

**College of Direct Support** (R. Garlic) As of October 1<sup>st</sup> the fee will be \$200,000 annually, or \$50,000 quarterly.

**First Steps** (R. Kruse) No report

**Respite Coalition** (J. Casey) will meet the last Wednesday in September..

**General Discussion:** Issues; Task List; Questions for Bernie and the three District Administrators on Thursday

Discussion began concerning the TCM equity plan and the current situation in Boone County. He recommends that the dollars for equity come from caseload growth funds, to address the undeserved, not served at all (wait list) or TCM services. The wait list is currently crisis only. By doing this there would be additional dollars freed up to serve people in counties with specific needs. This would address the question of match equity being funded on the backs of client services, the money from the match saving would go to the prevention waiver funding. There is no plan to address case load growth.

Jane Kruse went over the resolution with updates. In general the resolution states that we would like for the Division to develop a wait list plan in compliance with the state law, to implement the recommendations of the 24 committee, to fund all SB40's equitably for TCM match, move forward with the prevention waiver partnership, and recognize that we implement "best practices". **Ron Kruse** moved to send the resolution with changes and **Betsy Barnes** seconded the motion. The motion carried by roll call vote.

Discussed the issues to be discussed at tomorrow's meeting with Bernie Simons and the District Administrators. In general we would like to lay out the questions we have for their research, to be followed up on another time.

Discussed the PR bid from the company suggested by Sarah Topp. After considerable discussion about cost, purpose, our budget and other factors **Ron Kruse** moved for the executive committee to discuss this at the September 8<sup>th</sup> meeting in Jefferson City and make recommendations next month. **Lynn Wells** seconded the vote and the **motion carried**.

Peg Capo announced that there has been some discussion about DESE exploring dropping the IDEA mandate to have preschool services available. Talk to your school districts about this issue.

The ISL workgroup volunteers were appointed and are Max Lytle, Mary Sullivan-Thomas, and Lynn Wells.

The election of officers was tabulated announced. The 2011 officers are

- President elect Les Wagner
- Secretary Jan Jones
- Treasurer Ann Graff
- Member at large Deb Miller

With no further business to report the meeting was adjourned.