S. C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING

Hosted by:

Aiken-Barnwell Mental Health Center 1135 Gregg Highway, Aiken, SC 29801 September 7, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The September 7, 2018 meeting of the South Carolina Mental Health Commission was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by Dr. Alison Evans, Chairperson, at the Aiken-Barnwell Mental Health Center, 1135 Gregg Highway, Aiken, SC 29801 and Dr. Gregory Smith provided the invocation.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

Dr. Evans, Chair, welcomed Mr. Thornwell Simmons.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion by Mr. Bob Hiott, seconded by Ms. Louise Haynes, the Commission approved the agenda for today's Business Meeting.

All voted in favor to the above motions; all motions carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Ms. Louise Haynes, seconded by Mr. Bob Hiott, the Commission approved the minutes from the Center Presentation of August 3, 2018.

On a motion by Mr. Bob Hiott, seconded by Ms. Louise Haynes, the Commission approved the Minutes from the Business Meeting of August 3, 2018.

All voted in favor to the above motions; all motions carried.

APPROVAL OF 2019 COMMISSION MEETING DATES

The Commission approved the 2019 Commission Meeting Dates.

All voted in favor to the above motions; all motions carried.

MONTHLY/QUARTERLY INFORMATION REPORTS

Mr. Mark Binkley presented the items listed under Monthly/Quarterly Informational Reports, copies of which had been provided to the Commission. It was noted that there was an arrest of a former employee of Correct Care for an incident involving a SCDMH Forensic patient.

DEPARTMENTAL OVERVIEW AND UPDATE

Community Dashboards

Ms. Deb Blalock presented the Community Dashboard spreadsheets, copies of which had been provided to the Commission. She stated that the dashboards allow the Center Directors to compare their data with other Centers and affords them the opportunity to seek advice and assistance from other Centers. She stated that the Community Dashboard spreadsheets will be distributed to the Commission monthly. Mr. Magill stated that more emphasis is also being placed on budget forecasting for the Centers.

School-Based Services Update

Mr. Christian Barnes-Young presented a School Mental Health Update, copies of which had been provided to the Commission. It was reported that DMH school mental health services are currently provided in six hundred fifty-three (653) schools in SC and that the goal is to be in over six hundred ninety-five (695) this academic year. DMH is hopeful that the mental health services will be provided in all of the schools in SC by 2022. Mr. Barnes-Young stated that Mr. Magill and Ms. Molly Spearman, SC Superintendent of Education, are working on a draft agreement to promote school mental health services.

Grants Overview

Mr. Magill recognized Ms. Louise Johnson and Ms. Michele Murff for the excellent efforts that have made in securing grants. Mr. Mark Binkley stated that Grants Administration, which is made up of four (4) staff members, provides a weekly update of grant announcements, works with individuals to complete grant requests, and staff DMH Grant Review Committee meetings. When a grant is awarded, the Grants Administration staff monitors the grant budgets to maintain compliance with all requirements. Two (2) documents which outlined external grant awards and projects that are funded by Ensor were provided to the Commission and discussed by Ms. Louise Johnson, Ms. Michele Murff, and Dr. Bob Bank.

One of the grants highlighted was the S. C. Suicide Prevention Initiative. Mr. Magill stated that he, along with Mr. Mark Binkley, Dr. Bob Bank, and Dr. Meera Narasimhan, with the assistance of Ms. Sandy Hyre, makes decisions regarding the Ensor grants distribution. Mr. Mark Binkley stated the Ensor grants program began in 1942, when Ms. Grace Ensor Brown passed away, she bequeathed the interest from a trust account to the DMH for mental health research. Dr. Bank stated that currently there is \$ 89K available in Ensor funds to be awarded. Mr. Mark Binkley stated that the total amount that was spent in grant expenditures in FY18 was over \$ 16M and noted that the majority was spent for community mental health services. Mr. Magill expressed appreciation for grants awarded to DMH by The Duke Endowment and Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

Report of the Inpatient Facilities Governing Body Meeting of July 11, 2018 and Approval of Minutes

Dr. Versie Bellamy presented the Inpatient Facilities Governing Body Meeting minutes from the July 11, 2018 meeting, copies of which had been provided to the Commission. She stated that Stone Pavilion had a deficiency-free annual certification survey by CMS and she commended Mr. Robert Morgan and Dr. Kimberly Rudd for their outstanding work. Mr. Magill also recognized Dr. Kimberly Rudd for her work and efforts in all of the areas in which she serves.

On a motion by Ms. Louise Haynes, seconded by Mr. Bob Hiott, the Commission approved the Governing Body Meeting minutes from the July 11, 2018 meeting.

6 Month Report of Collections

Mr. Alan Powell presented the items from the 6 Month Report of Collections, copies of which were provided to the Commission. He announced that a new attorney, Ms. Ebony Prioleau, will be taking over primary responsibility for the collections process. Mr. Mark Binkley stated that these funds are collected through involuntary means from self-pay clients.

Forensic Waiting List Update

Dr. Versie Bellamy stated that there are currently forty (40) on the Forensic Waiting List, which is a sixty-four percent (64%) decrease from June, 2016. She stated that DIS is pursuing the use of Telepsychiatry in Forensic Services to ensure adequate psychiatric coverage is maintained.

Forensic Report

Mr. Alan Powell introduced Ms. Monique Lee, Attorney, and stated that Ms. Lee began her career at Morris Village, prior to attending law school. Ms. Lee gave an overview of the process she follows in assisting with resolving the legal requirements to enable Forensic patients to be safely discharged. She stated that the majority of patients that are under the jurisdiction of the circuit courts are those found to be Not Guilty By Reason of Insanity and that the majority of those patients are supervised for life. Ms. Lee works to help patients receive appropriate community treatment by providing recommendations of the treatment teams to the judges.

Bull Street Update

Mr. Mark Binkley presented items from a document which identifies the Bull Street parcels that have been purchased, five (5) parcels which will be purchased, and those remaining, copies of which were presented to the Commission. Mr. Mark Binkley stated that the sold parcels have generated over \$ 12M in revenue and that the contract with Hughes Development stipulates that DMH is to receive a minimum payment of \$ 710K by September 30, 2018. It was noted that including the five (5) parcels that will be purchased in the near future, one hundred eight (108) of the original one hundred eighty-five (185) acres have been purchased. Mr. Binkley gave an update on a previously approved Issue Action Paper involving Carter Street, stating that the Columbia Housing Authority has agreed in principle to pay the appraised price of the property. Regarding the previously approved Issue Action Paper on selling the fourteen (14) acre parcel next to Tucker, the DMH appraised price is more than the developer wishes to pay.

Financial Status Update

Mr. Mark Binkley highlighted certain information on the report. It is projected that the year-end results will come in under budget, with an increase in revenue of approximately \$ 10.6M. He stated that all of the Community Mental Health Centers but 2, and all DIS Services were under budget for the year. Mr. Binkley stated that FY20 budget requests must be submitted to the Executive Budget Office by September 21, 2018.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Magill stated that discussions are underway with interested parties in Greenville to explore combining the resources of the two (2) Centers in the Greenville area. He stated that DMH may be partnering with MUSC in efforts to employ more Physician Assistants at DMH. In regards to Suicide Prevention, two (2) large grants have been awarded to DMH. Mr. Magill stated that a press conference with the Governor's office is possible next week to unveil the State's new Suicide Prevention Plan. There are forums currently scheduled for Charleston, Lexington, and Berkeley. He stated that the yearly Legislative Board Training is scheduled for October 12, 2018 and that Mr. Curtis Loftis, S. C. State Treasurer, will be the guest speaker.

ADJOURNMENT

11:40 a.m., on a motion by Mr. Bob Hiott, seconded by Ms. Louise Haynes, the Commission adjourned the Business Meeting and entered into Executive Session to receive legal advice concerning pending and threatened litigation. Upon convening in open session at 12:35 p.m., it was noted that only information was received; no votes or actions were taken.

NOTICE/AGENDA

A notice and agenda of the meeting were sent out to all individuals and news media who requested information, in accordance with State law.

ATTENDANCE

Commission Members:

Dr. Alison Evans, Chair Ms. Louise Haynes Ms. Sharon Wilson, Co-Chair Mr. Bob Hiott

(via phone)

Staff/Visitors:Mercedes FabcoBrigette CuonzoTamara SmithVanessa ArandaAlan Powell

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APPROVALS

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