SOUTH CAROLINA MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION SCDMH Administration 2414 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201

December 4, 2020

Anderson Oconee Pickens (AOP) Center Presentation

ATTENDANCE

Commission Members:

Mr. Greg Pearce, Chair, was present in person. Ms. Louise Haynes, Vice Chair; Dr. Alison Evans, and Mr. Bob Hiott were present virtually via Zoom.

Staff/Visitors:

Stewart Cooner
Dr. Patricia Handley
Kevin Hoyle
Eleanor Odom
Carly Patterson

Present virtually via Zoom
Deborah Blalock
Debbie Calcote
Raj Gavurla
Sarah Main

Present virtually via Zoom
Tim Watt
Jarrod Williamson
Sarah Main

Gayle Rice Tracy Richardson
Dr. Kenneth Rogers Eric Turner

A meeting of the S.C. Mental Health Commission was held in Room 320 at the S.C. Department of Mental Health Administration Building on Friday, December 4, 2020, at 9:30 a.m. Commission Chair Greg Pearce welcomed everyone and turned the meeting over to Kevin Hoyle, Executive Director.

PRESENTATION:

Mr. Hoyle welcomed everyone. The following AOP program managers talked about their areas of responsibilities, greatest challenges during the COVID-19 pandemic and how they addressed those challenges, and shared success stories: Eric Turner, Chief of Clinical Operations and Assistant Director; Tim Watt, Community Services Manager, Gayle Rice, Oconee County Clinic Manager and AOPMC Director of Nursing; Jarrod Williamson, Pickens County Clinic Manager; and Carly Patterson, Child, Adolescent and Family Services Director.

Mr. Hoyle thanked the Commission for the opportunity to showcase some of the Center's work and said it was his privilege to work alongside the staff. Each Commissioner expressed great appreciation for the information and for the superb job the Center is doing serving individuals with mental health illness in their communities despite the challenges of the pandemic.

Ms. Deborah Blalock, Deputy Director of Community Mental Health Services, informed the Commission that Mr. Hoyle has announced his retirement effective April 1, 2021. She said Mr. Hoyle has done a fantastic job, and thanked him for his years of dedication.

There being no further disqussion, the center presentation concluded at 10:28 a.m.

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