

MINUTES
STATE MENTAL HEALTH, MENTAL RETARDATION
AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES BOARD

October 5, 2005
Roanoke, Virginia

- Members Present:** Victoria Huber Cochran, Vice-Chairperson
The Rev. Cheryl Ivey Green
Daniel E. Karnes
Elaine McConnell
Kathryn A. Smith
Dr. David B. Trinkle
- Absent:** B. Hunt Gunter
Linda S. Bartlett
Ruth G. Jarvis
- Staff Present:** James S. Reinhard, M.D., Commissioner
Raymond R. Ratke, Deputy Commissioner
Frank L. Tetrick III, Asst. Commissioner, Community Programs
James M. Martinez, Jr., Director, Office of Mental Health Services
Charline Davidson, Director, Office of Planning and Development
Paul Gilding, Director, Office of Community Contracting
Wendy Brown, Office of Planning and Development
Martha J. Mead, Director, Office of Legislation and Public Relations
Bill Foy, Office of Legislation and Public Relations
Margaret Walsh, Director, Office of Human Rights
Leslie Anderson, Director, Office of Licensure
Ken Batten, Director, Office of Substance Abuse Services
Wade Glover, Office of Substance Abuse Services
Jane Hickey, Office of the Attorney General
Ishnelia Moore, Office of the Attorney General
Marlene Butler, Secretary to the State Board
- Call to Order:** The Vice-chairperson called the meeting to order at 10:15 a..m.
- Agenda:** The agenda was approved as printed.
- Minutes:** The minutes of September 7-8, 2005 were approved as printed.
- Public Comment:** Barbara Barrett, Chair, Virginia Assoc. of Community Services Boards welcomed the Board to the VACSB Conference.
- Ray Bridge, Mental Health Planning Council, invited the Board to appoint a representative to the Council. He gave some background on the work of the Council.
- Mary McGowan, REACH, spoke of how rewarding the work on the Transformation Grant had been. It was a positive experience

in partnership for all factors involved. She also commended the DMHMRSAS staff for their leadership.

Human Rights: Margaret Walsh, Director of the Office of Human Rights, presented the proposed amended Rules and Regulations to Assure the Rights of Individuals Receiving Services for Providers of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services 12 VAC 35-115-10 et seq., and explained the revisions in the document

The Board unanimously approved the proposed regulations for public comment.

Emergency Regulations Leslie Anderson, Director of the Office of Licensure, explained the background and process on the emergency regulations to establish standards for evaluation of the need and appropriateness for issuance of new licenses for providers of treatment for persons with opioid addiction pursuant to Chapter 7 of the 2005 Acts of the Assembly.

The Board unanimously adopted the emergency regulations.

Commissioner's Report: Commissioner Reinhard reported on his meeting with Governor Warner in reference to the past four years. We are in the process of transforming and reforming the system. He presented the needs that exist in the system.

Planning & Budget Charline Davidson, Director of the Office of Policy and Planning, reported that the Planning and Budget Committee reviewed the draft Comprehensive Plan. There will be a polycom video public hearing the week of November 14. This will be held on the same day with multiple sites around the Commonwealth. The final draft of the plan will be presented at the December 2005 meeting of the Board.

Evaluation Comm. Wendy Brown, Office of Policy and Planning, reported that the committee continues its review of policies and policy development. New draft policies will be presented at the December 7th meeting.

By-Laws Paul Gilding, Director of the Office of Community Contracting, presented a draft of the revised Board By-laws. Comments on the revisions should be made to Martha Mead and Paul Gilding.

VACSB Mary Ann Bergeron, Executive Director, reported for the Virginia Association of Community Services Boards on the following:

- a unified message to candidates for state-wide office
- the Public Policy brochure
- Budget and Legislative priorities

Transformation Grant Jim Martinez, Director of the Office of Mental Health, reported that the Department did not receive the grant. However, the commitment to the values remains.

Inspector General James Stewart, Inspector General, reported on the review of emergency services in the community services boards.

Liaison Assignments Martha Mead, State Board Liaison, presented a chart designating Board members as liaisons to facilities, community services board and advocacy groups. She asked that members review the chart and give her feedback on the assignments.

PPEA Stakeholders Workgroup The Vice-Chair appointed Ruth G. Jarvis, if available, to serve on the PPEA Stakeholders Workgroup.

Nominating Committee Daniel E. Karnes, Kathryn Smith and Elaine McConnell were appointed to the State Board Nominating Committee.

Personnel Committee B. Hunt Gunter, Cheryl Ivey Green, and David B. Trinkle were appointed to serve on the Personnel Committee.

Closed Session It was moved, seconded and approved unanimously that the Board go into Closed Session pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711.A.1 for the purpose of evaluating the performance of the Board Secretary.

Upon reconvening in open session, the members unanimously certified that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempt from the statutory open meeting requirements and only public business matters identified in the motion to convene the Closed Session were discussed in the Closed Session.

Adjournment There being no further business before them, the Board adjourned.

Victoria Huber Cochran, Vice-Chair

Marlene A. Butler, Secretary