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Recovery Council Meeting Minutes

Friday, May 22, 2008 / 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Attendees: Mary Beth Evans (Chairperson), Joan, Julie Weiss, Vikki Roofe, Barb McNitt, Jean Wistinghausen, Bob Houghton, Liz MacCord, Ernie Reynolds, Pat Bogar (new member), Kathy Meyer.

Absent: Michelle Fisher – excused.

Partners/Guests: None.

Council Vacancies: Traverse City

Staff support: Val Bishop

Introductions, Celebrations

Everyone introduced themselves and shared positives.

Assignments – List of Council Accomplishments – All done except community calendar – Mary Beth will check with Deb and Greg, Val, MB term options.

Standing Agenda Items

Learning Community Meetings – Liz gave clarification on Asperger’s and genetic component – it was autism.

Approval of April meeting minutes – Reviewed and approved by Vikki, 2nded by Liz; all approved.

Recovery Council Blueprint Tasks – Will be discussing some next month.

Project Updates – Val reviewed – we’ll be moving major programs ahead this budget year to ensure we use the available money. Discussed computer/video links for lobbies; video project (kick-off July 9) and choral (kick-off July 15)

Review of Agenda – Mary Beth reviewed the agenda. Briefly discussed the 211 resource line that will be coming to Cadillac.

Recovery Council Membership and Terms

Recovery Council Member Vacancies – We have one vacancy in TC. This has been shared with TC staff. There is one person interested. No applications have been received.

Discussion of Self-Assessments and Council Assessment Results – Reviewed the results of both surveys. Suggestion to redo the survey in 6 months. Consider review of areas that were rated fair or poor and perhaps and do more education. Pat motioned and Julie 2nded to do both. The group approved. Barb pointed out that # 10 and #15 are difficult items to achieve, so the scores are probably where they should be at this point. Mary Beth pointed out #9 – all members feel that the council has brought energy, a rich pool of knowledge and a deep desire to

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help others to our work. Discussion. Mary Beth encouraged council to make comments to more fully reflect your input. Julie admitted that she had scored several items between scoring levels. Bob commented that we get about 60% of what we want. Kathy indicated that she is learning many things by participating in the groups and believes that we are helping many people. Vikki thinks there are gaps between this group, Learning Communities and other consumers. Discussion.

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Recipient Rights Advisory and Appeals Committee

Review application and appointment procedures – The openings are for consumers representatives. Mary Beth reviewed the application and appointment procedures. Staff should share with consumers. Consumer members

One opening for one of the two Crawford/Roscommon seats

One opening for one of the four Leelanau/Grand Traverse seats

Review List of Council Accomplishments – The council read the list of key accomplishments. Comments were noted that there were a lot of accomplishments. Discussions about new groups – movement group and when/how that will start. Consider looking at other locations for groups. Julie suggested that we look at accomplishments in 6 months. Liz moved that we do this minimally 1 time per year; published on the website; provide copies to staff. Ernie 2nded. Approved. Suggest to do before the survey and then annually thereafter.

Review Blueprint Task: Create a strategy to regularly collect via current consumer venues the gaps in the community resources needed to support consumers – Add boxes to do drop-ins and clubhouses. We will survey for 2 weeks. Add surveys attached to the box. Council members will help keep track of the boxes and surveys. We will let council members know when we're ready to do the survey.

Review of assignments -

Next Steps – ID of Future Agenda Items – Discussion of community movie nights/panels; ask Greg if there are items that we need to consider.

Comments from Council Members – Passed in on the June 2 leadership conference information.

Public comment – None

June Agenda Planning – Blueprint Tasks: Identify and prioritize other community partners who are necessary to support recovery within our communities and Develop advocacy plan which involves consumers and families to be self-advocates and promotes recovery in the community and options for terms of council members.

Adjournment - Ernie moved to adjourn, Kathy 2nd. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 2:55 P.M.