

**GOVERNOR'S MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES PLANNING COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES: Oct. 5, 2005  
SRS Learning Center  
9-3**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Wes Cole, Jim Deister, Marlan Ratzlaff, Paul Turnbull, Scott Jackson, Linda Witten, Walt Hill (by phone), Jane Adams, Roy Menninger, Cherie Bledsoe, Tom Ward, Kimberly Roady, Steve Erikson, Roger Hayden, Rose Mary Mohr, Fran Seymour-Hunter

**Ex-Officio:** Denise Baynham, Valerie Merrow, and Karen Ford Manza

**MEMBERS ABSENT Excused:** Gary Parker, Patricia Long, Jo Lowe, Norma Phillips, Linda Geier, Mary Beth Kidd

**MEMBERS ABSENT Unexcused:** Mary Vilmer, Bobbie Rine

**SRS STAFF PRESENT:** Becky Rinehart

**Guests Present: See attached sheet**

**1. WELCOME/CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

Wes Cole, Council Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:10 am. Wes introduced Steve Erikson, the Director of Mental Health for the state. The council and guests in attendance introduced themselves.

- Wes told the council he had received a letter from Melba Sutton, the APPS representative, that she has resigned her position at SRS and will no longer be a member of the council. The council will be getting a new representative.
- There will be a SRS Stakeholder teleconference held on Oct. 17 at the Topeka Service Center, letters should be out to stakeholders soon.
- Mental Health Block Grant site review was held in Sept. and the monitors found the activities and services in Kansas exciting. They met with stakeholders and the council executive committee in addition to the state representatives and Wyandot Center was the CMHC site they toured and reviewed.
- Becky told the group that they need to use the new travel forms, call at least 24 hours in advance for reservations, and cancel if they cannot make it to the hotel as the state is charged when there is a no show.
- The transformation subcommittee of the council will be chaired by Jane Adams and Mike Hammond. They will be working with other subcommittees, setting up task forces and gathering information to make recommendations. Wes is impressed with the ideas he has heard so far.

**2. LAST MEETING MINUTES:** Minutes from Sept meeting were not yet available. Minutes are placed on the website after approval.  
([www.srskansas.org/hcp/mhsip/index.html](http://www.srskansas.org/hcp/mhsip/index.html))

**3. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS**

[www.srskansas.org/hcp/mhsip/index/html](http://www.srskansas.org/hcp/mhsip/index/html)  
<http://www.srskansas.org/hcp/mhsatr/MHmain.htm>

**TOPIC:**

**Updates on Report from the Council Retreat**

Melissa Ness gave the group the report from the work done during the councils retreat on August 4 & 5. The council came together to look at the work gathered through the year and to make recommendations to the mental health authority on updating the five year strategic plan. This process can be replicated again next year. The areas were the four core areas of the strategic plan. Each critical issue in an area was assigned a strategy type such as HR, Financial, etc. Each of the core areas was summarized and then comments from Judy Stang from NAMHPAC were included. This organization also offers technical assistance for the council throughout the year.

Melissa recommends the council move up the timeline for reporting information to the secretary of SRS and the Governor, in order for it to be available in a timely manner and included in budget discussions. The information needs to be to the secretary before he begins to put his budget together.

**Off-Topic:**

**Pilot Projects**

**TOPIC:**

**Pilot Report- Area Mental Health (Cultural Competency & Transitional Youth)**

**TOPIC:**

**Pilot Report- Family Life Center**

12- 1 Lunch

**TOPIC:**

**Pilot Report- Four County Mental Health**

**TOPIC:**

**Update- CIT and Law Enforcement**

**TOPIC:**

**Feedback on Subcommittee Annual Reports**

**TOPIC:**

**Council Member Reports/Updates**

**Additional Items:**

1) There will be a SRS stakeholder teleconference held on Oct. 17 at the Topeka Service Center.

**Public Comment:**

There was no public comment heard.

**NEXT GMHSPC MEETING:**

The next regular meeting will be held on November 17, 2005 at the JJA Training Center from 9-3. The annual reports will be presented to the secretary of SRS at this meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm

**GMHSPC Meeting**

**Topeka and Shawnee County Public Library, Topeka, KS**

**GUESTS PRESENT 10-05-05**

**NAME**

Ira Stamm

Dr. Wes Jones

Ric Dalke

Virginia Sumaya

Marla Lira

Leslie Huss

Christy McMurphy

Mike Alford

**REPRESENTING**

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MHC of East Central Kansas;  
Chair- Children's Subcommittee  
Area Mental Health Center

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Four County Mental Health Center

