

## **Local Alcohol and Drug Planning Committee Minutes September 28, 2011**

**Members Present:** Pam Bergreen, Ron Dunn, Eric Guyer, Robin Kigel, Larry Lyman, Lisa McCreadie, Theresa Morris, Michael O'Malley

**Guests:** Reba Smith/ARC, Rita Sullivan/OnTrack, Heather Craig/ARC, Judge Patricia Crain

**Staff:** Maureen Graham, Michele Morales, Carol Wedman

### **I. Introductions and Approval of Minutes**

Theresa Morris motioned to approve the minutes from the June 29, 2011 LADPC meeting, Larry Lyman seconded, unanimously approved.

### **II. Announcements**

Michele advised that a letter of support from the LADPC for the Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners Program (RSAT) grant had been executed as the majority of LADPC members had offered their support. She advised that grant opportunities arise, with short turn-around time-frames and in between meetings, and email voting is prohibited by Public Meeting Law. The PSCC has given their committee Chair the authority to sign for the committee in relation to grants. Eric motioned to give the LADPC Chair (current and successive Chairs) authority to sign for grant approval with the stipulation that Chair notifies the LADPC members of such grant approval/support. Theresa seconded, members unanimously approved the motion.

Maureen advised that both Corrections and Mental Health applied for a Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) grant and received the grant. Funding from the grant will allow for a health worker to work at the Talent Work Center. The employee will be stationed and hired by Corrections and supervised by Mental Health to perform mental health work with the corrections population.

Lisa advised that the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Recovery Fair was a huge success. She thanked the committee for their assistance in donating to the fund and helping the Recovery Board every year to put the event on.

### **III. Cost Analysis**

Michele distributed a handout containing cost analysis data relating to substance abuse in Jackson County. A link for the most recent report on-line, for the state, was included on the handout.

### **IV. Review of Outcomes and Presentation of 11-12 Budget**

Michele referred to a handout entitled Jackson County Treatment Outcomes. She shared that at the retreat it was discussed to use this committee to review outcomes in detail from the previous year, especially as we are moving into a new funding cycle. She advised that the state's reporting system is currently inaccurate but they will be switching over to a new system that would allow for more accurate reporting. She pointed out that Jackson County's treatment outcome average is in line with the state's average. Reba Smith, of the ARC, indicated that they have a treatment completion rate of 60%, a decline from previous years. She shared that a compelling reason for this is an increase in opiate dependency. That population is hard to keep engaged in treatment. The ARC is working hard to try to keep these folks longer and hoping that will boost the success rates. Successful completion is constrained by the Client Process Monitoring System (CPMS) tracking methodology. There was discussion around the length of treatment to completion. Mike

advised that at SORCC they measure 16 weeks as completion. He will bring an outcomes report, from SORCC, to the next meeting. Maureen mentioned that there is a state brochure that had other levels of measurement. When an updated state brochure is published, she would like to create a similar brochure for the county, as it would be helpful in educating the community.

In referring to the handout, 2011-2012 Jackson County Addictions Budget and Outcomes, Michele explained that funding comes from the state in service elements that are designated for a particular type of service; for example, SE 61 is for residential treatment for adults. She reviewed data from the chart. The funding is basically pass-through dollars. Contracts are the same amount that is received from the state. Theresa asked about the SE66 funding. Michele advised that the state has changed how SE 66 is funded. The state has set a target number of people that need to be served by that funding; the award divided by \$1,200/person. The funds will no longer be used for administrative or prevention services. She explained that the un-contracted funds of \$92.657 are open to all licensed providers in community. Whoever provides the service will receive the \$1,200/individual. These individuals will need to be retained in treatment for 30 days or more to count. Theresa asked what happens to unused funds and Michele responded that it goes back into the general fund. That would indicate that the target for the county, of 559 clients, would not have been met. Maureen advised that the numbers should be reviewed at six (6) months into the program to assess if the numbers are on track to meet the target number. She stated that it will be necessary to keep incident information and individual information, at a local level, to project a bigger picture.

#### V. Co-Occurring MH/LADPC Joint Project:

Maureen provided descriptions of MHAC/LADPC joint project items that were developed over the summer, during a meeting held with MHAC and LADPC members and representatives from the Co-occurring Disorders group, from Jackson County Mental Health.

She shared that one project is to develop certified Peer Support Specialists. The state does offer training and certification. Agencies have been asked to identify possible candidates to be trained on both mental health and substance abuse so that the co-occurring disorders population can be better served.

Maureen advised that another project is to develop a dual diagnosis group resource list. She met with Corbett Monica, a leader in developing Dual Diagnosis Anonymous (DDA) groups. He is willing to come and support the development of additional DDA groups/meetings locally. Lisa mentioned that at one point groups were started but were not sustained. Maureen felt that would be one of the challenges.

The third project identified was to work on a community needs assessment survey. Three questions were developed and target groups, for the survey, were identified.

A detailed handout was provided to attendees.

#### VI. Review of New Goals:

Theresa reviewed the 2011-2012 goals that were developed at the LADPC summer goal setting session.

She advised that one focus would be on the medical marijuana situation in the valley and what to do here locally. The first step will be to identify needs. A consideration discussed was whether or not to advertise on television as a means of counter campaigning. Currently there is no strong,

opposing voice. Eric advised that it was agreed to look at regulations that other communities have used.

Michele shared that Bob Weiss, from KOB, is working with the Meth Task Force to broaden their mission. He is conversing with possible corporate sponsors in the community to garner some support for a counter campaign. He is willing to come to an upcoming meeting to discuss this.

Another goal agreed upon was to look at supporting treatment agency infrastructure by providing some funding/subsidy for prevention training and certification for local agencies to have certified providers, prevention coordinators, and A & D counselors.

Lastly, the issue of prescription drugs would be looked at, during the year, if time permits.

Theresa asked if anyone was in opposition to these goals or had anything to add. The group discussed prioritizing the goals, and whether a strong impact could be made by focusing on prescription drug abuse or marijuana. The group agreed to continue this discussion next meeting. No opposition or additions were noted.

Mike asked Eric and Theresa to start an email, prior to the next meeting, to discuss the goals and to gain input. Maureen would like to attempt to establish action steps to achieve the goals in the coming year.

#### VII. Membership Expirations/Vacancies

Carol Wedman advised that re-appointment of Pam Bergreen, Ron Dunn, and Eric Guyer was approved by the BoC in August. She shared that Jan Taylor has indicated that she will not be serving another term after her 12 years on the committee.

She asked committee members to actively recruit for the remaining four (4) vacant positions. She queried the group for support in running another ad in the Mail Tribune, Friday & Sunday paper. All were in support.

She advised that the committee related ordinances and Bylaws were being looked at, by HHS management and staff, to provide for consistency across the Board appointed committees. She will bring a document detailing proposed changes, for committee review/vote, as soon as they have been finalized.

#### VIII. Prevention Training

Michele advised that \$10,000 was withheld from prevention contracting to increase the prevention education to the community as a whole. One outside reviewer's critique was that there was not a Certified Prevention Specialist administering the prevention programs. Josephine County has 15, Jackson County has one (1). There is some training involved to obtain certification. The idea is to offer an intensive, week-long training, reach out to non-profit providers that are already doing the work, and encourage them to attend and receive certification. The training is tentatively scheduled during spring break, at SOU. Michele encouraged members to identify interested parties for this training.

#### Other:

Maureen pointed out that Dan Murphy is no longer the Director of Community Works. There is a new Director and it would be nice to invite her to meet committee members and attend some programs.

**Next Meeting**

The next LADPC meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 26, 2011 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. and is currently scheduled in the Adams Room at the Medford Library.

**Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

**Action/Upcoming Agenda Items:**

- Mike to bring an Outcomes Report from SORCC
- Michele to invite Bob Weiss/KOBI to present at an upcoming LADPC meeting
- Goals discussion/prioritization

Respectfully submitted by

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