

Mental Health Task Force 12-14-15

Attendance are:

Billie
Jackie
Karen S
Lisa
Judy
Dolly
Faith
Shana
Caren O

Absent was Pastor Dean

Jamie was on speaker phone.

Meeting was called to order at 11:22 Am by Billie, started off by doing introductions and welcomed a new member Shana to the meeting. Dolly made a motion to approve last months min. Karen S seconded Minutes are approve as is with the correction of Irene name change.

Dolly started talking on the new budget for 2016.

Dolly attended a meeting for the LAC a while back and is going to wave her mile reimbursement because it has to come our of the task force budget. She has also sent a proposal to Rich with no response. She had asked him if we can get Pete Walsh's representation but never heard back. We are suppose to have representation from social services was told it was Maria. We have called and left messages to Trisha and Vicki to call back, with no luck never get to talk to anyone always getting voice mail. Also tried email that doesn't seem to help either.

Billie stated its very hard to accomplish anything when we have no representation here at our meetings and we are not allowed to fund-raise.

Faith mentioned that maybe we need to send letters with a return receipt so that way they are held accountable and we have documentation saying we have tried. Also maybe a formal invite call, email asking them to please attend our meeting. Another thing maybe the task force needs to come up with a formal letter, asking when would be a good day and time for them to attend. We are willing to cater to their needs. Billie read the letter she received from the county.

We voted as to who would like to stay on the task force board for this year all hands when up.

Ideas to help our meetings grow is to try and bring one person to our meetings. Maybe get a sign to put out to let people know when our meetings are. The big thing is to get the word out there using the liquor store for possitive information, we have a local radio we need to try and use that also.

2016 meeting schedule

This year we are going to meet at the waterfront center or the library. If we need more space we can consider social services, law enforcement, or maybe the local churches. Also for the sub meeting still meet at HDC.

The first meeting will be January 11 at Water front center at 11:15am

second meeting at the library on February 8th at 11:15am.

And so on.

Work out times to make meeting in summer so maybe we can include silver bay or Clair nelson center.

Motion to approve the 2016 new schedule Karen S 1st and Caren O 2nd

Any special events for 2016? Pastor wants Roxanne to attend our meetings and maybe we could invite Elaine Jackson to our meetings as well.

Faith talked about a new meth out there from super labs in Mexico. Tons more side effects, we just need to let people know that we are here for them and its not necessary people can live without it.

Caren O voiced consumer concerns with dentist that wont take MA stating that people need to get a letter saying that said dentist wont take that insurance or new patients. Dolly will call and check with some of the local dentists to see if any are taking on new patients.

Old/New Business

Jackie reported on the Caroline cart from shopko. She spoke with Gwen and gave her all the information and was told to try the website shopko.com and fill out a form to maybe receive grant money.

Jamie want to approach the legion for an autism training.

Karen S made motion to adjourn Jackie 2nd all approved.

Minutes submitted by Jackie Olson