



Developmental Disabilities/Mental Health Committee Minutes

February 27, 2013

<i>Members present:</i>	Buhl Bowman, Carol Conlon via phone, Sally Cumberworth via phone, Dayna Davis, Trish Jordan via phone, Patricia Kennedy, Patricia Lawrence, Susan Melero, Cynthia Owens, Mike Parr, Marilyn Schuster, Noel Suarez, Margaret Theisen, Kelsey Weigel
<i>Members absent:</i>	David Richmond, Joye' Willman
<i>Others present:</i>	Elvyss Argueta, Roxy Tolva, Teri Watson
Commissioners present:	Joseph Lowe
<i>Staff present:</i>	Simone Dankenbring, William Douglas, Ron McGhee, Susanne Huffman, Cheryl Miller, Kelly Rosenau

Meeting Called to Order

Margaret Theisen called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

Introductions

Those attending (in person or via phone) introduced themselves.

Adoption of Agenda

Coordinator reports were taken off of the Agenda, since Lindsay Terrett was not in attendance.

Added to Agenda: **Patricia Kennedy** would like to open a discussion to about compassion, fatigue and trauma. Secondly, **Dayna Davis** would like for self-advocates to meet before every meeting to briefly discuss the CBA.

The agenda was approved by consensus.

January 23, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the January 23, 2013 meeting were reviewed, and one change was noted: Buhl Bowman was added to members present (via phone) for the January 23, 2013 meeting. The minutes were approved with the correction.

Dayna Davis asked if there was a rule that stated a member would be dismissed if the missed three meetings in a row?

Cheryl Miller did not know of that rule but will check it out get back to her.

New Interest Form

Mason Windhorn's application was received for consideration. Highlights from Mason's application are: He is a consumer from Tualatin, he would like to remove barriers that people set about people with disabilities, he is an employer that hires PSWs and would like to have a voice in their informal and formal training.

Margaret Theisen voted to approve for recommendation for the commission and it was unanimous vote.

Self-Advocates and Collective Bargaining Agreement

As a self-advocate, **Dayna Davis** would like to meet with other self-advocates prior to the DD-MH Committee meetings. **Cheryl Miller** said with that she will take Dayna's request to the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) Labor Relations, and she should have a decision before or by the next meeting. **Cynthia Owens** asked how long the Bargaining is going on? She feels that it is very important for the voices of these involved should be heard. Is there a way for the people that are Advocates to speak or be on the Collective Bargaining Team? **Cheryl** replied that the bargaining is not close to the end. Discussions about self-advocates being more involved has come up many times. She can only take the request to DAS. **Margaret Theisen** follows up that Cheryl will let everyone know where involvement will stand.

Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA): Netlink Training

Cheryl Miller gave an overview of the CBA and the Netlinks Training. The OHCC with the assistance of Office of Developmental Disability Services (ODDS) and Addictions and Mental Health (AMH) have put together two separate Netlink Trainings for the field offices. The CBA training with the ODDS has already taken place and by the end of April the OHCC will be finished with trainings for AMH. The trainings are to help the field offices understand the current CBA, and how to implement the articles within the agreement. From the Netlink

trainings the, OHCC will be putting together a “frequently asked questions” handout gathered from questions asked during the sessions. Also the Power Point presentation will be available online for people who weren’t able to attend. **Elvyss Argueta** asked if we know the total number of people that took the Netlink Training? **Cheryl** said we have not received the total number of participates yet but will hopefully have that by the next meeting. OHCC encouraged CDDP’s and Brokerages that have questions from PSWs to direct their questions to SEIU Member Resources Line. *Nathan Deeks from ODDS informed us that there were 238 people were in attendance.* **Kelsey Weigel** asked if this would be available to the ADP staff, or ICP? **Cheryl** explained the training covers topics that are related to the DD and AMH delivery systems. A policy transmittal was sent to APD offices regarding changes related to the CBA.

Registry Report

Ron McGhee stated the he is just short a few names, that he is counting on to provide a little more information for hiring staff. This should be done on Monday. **Cynthia Owens** can you provide me with who will be on the Registry and some background? **Ron** explained that there will be people at the administrative level that will be working on the Registry daily.

PSW Training Report

William Douglas PSW Training meeting held today. The committee revisited these topics

- Purpose of the committee.
- Terminology and vocabulary.
- Approved final draft of the mission and vision statements.
- Discussed PSW job descriptions and the different variations of them.
- Discussed and prepared for the Chairperson election.
 - Cynthia Owens spoke briefly about her background and qualifications.
 - Susan Melero was unable to make it to the PSW Training Meeting, so she presented her background during the DD-MH Committee meeting later that day.

Margaret Theisen explained that William will be emailing the PSW

Training Committee to vote on a Chairperson.

Compassion- Fatigue-Various Trauma

Patricia Kennedy spoke about compassion, fatigue and various traumas. She believes that this is something PSWs all know about but don't know when they are actually experiencing it on the job. Case workers and nurses talk about these issues and receive training about the subjects. In Oregon there is nothing to her knowledge, helping PSWs in these areas. There are a lot of emotional coping skills that need to be addressed for PSWs. She will follow up with an email before the next meeting.

Workers' Compensations Report

Kelly Rosenau gave the Workers' Compensation Report covering both November and December.

- November only two claims were filed.
- December four claims were filed.
- November's average age was 67.
 - Older than normally seen for PSWs.
- One claim was a father of a consumer.
- One was a grandmother.
 - The claim with the Grandmother happened when her Granddaughter pulled her down and hit the PSW several times.

Adjournment

Margaret Theisen adjourned the meeting at 1:55 p.m.

Handouts:

- ◆ Agenda
- ◆ Interest Form
- ◆ Meeting Minutes, January 23, 2013
- ◆ Workers Compensation Report