
MEMBERS ABSENT: A. Dusbiber


OTHERS PRESENT: J. Gardner, M. Creekmore, K. Homan, L. Lutomski, A. Larsen

N. Graebner called the meeting to order at 2:35 pm.

I. Introductions
   • None

II. Audience Participation
   • A. Larson stated that she was interested in the youth needs assessment information and would like to see the data broken down for the townships as well.

III. Millage Advisory Committee Minutes and Actions from 8/12/19
   • The Millage Advisory Committee Minutes and Actions from 8/12/19 were reviewed.

MOTION BY A. CARLISLE SUPPORTED BY K. SCOTT TO APPROVE THE MILLAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES AND ACTION FROM AUGUST 12, 2019 AS PRESENTED.

MOTION CARRIED

IV. Discussion Items
   • Millage Process, Investments and Progress Update
     o L. Gentz presented the update on the Millage process, investments and progress.
     o The Umatter campaign information is being worked on and will be launched soon in the schools.
     o The 31n positions are being posted within the Washtenaw Intermediate School District (WISD)
     o Discussion on the budget from the July WCCMH budget recommendations that was finalized on 6/26/18.
     o As of July 2019, there were approximately $1.2 Million of the millage funds used.
     o Suggestion for a report on the line funding streams and a foundation report for the next millage meeting.
     o Washtenaw County was one of the first to receive the 31n funding from the State.
     o The RFP process has been developed with Office of Community and Economic Developments (OCED) for supportive housing. This should be ready to present at the 10/19 Millage Advisory Committee meeting.
     o Staff are working on outcome metrics for this committee to review
There is a new electronic record for the CARES team.
Suggestion to look at other partners within the community that might contribute some funding towards these programs.

V. CARES Program Update
- The program has been officially running since May 1, 2019.
- To date there have been:
  - 330 referrals
  - 225 face to face intakes
    - 105 from Ann Arbor, 113 from Ypsilanti, 13 from Saline and 4 from Chelsea.
    - 138 of the 225 people have a co-occurring disorder.
    - 190 of them receive Medicaid, 29 receive Medicare and the remainder are with private insurance.
- There is a mental health professional stationed on various days in Chelsea, Manchester and Whitmore Lake.
- The team has started 4 groups within the last month for DBT for men and women, Co-Occurring, a women’s TREM group, Seeking Safety group that is a trauma focused group for women with substance abuse disorder.
- The CARES team is building a better resource list to tap into the community services that are provided so that we can partner for the resources.

VI. Old Business
- Anti-Stigma Campaign Update
  - E. Shane presented an update for the Anti-Stigma Campaign to the committee.
  - They are using the #wishyouknew.
  - The group would like to include artwork included with various phrases as another way of marketing.
  - Whitmore Lake focus groups will begin soon.

MOTION BY G. WADDLES, SUPPORTED BY K. WALKER TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE ANTI-STIGMA CAMPAIGN PROPOSAL AND STRATEGIES AS PRESENTED.

MOTION CARRIED

VII. New Business
- NAMI proposal presentation
  - L. Gentz presented the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) proposal presentation to the committee.
  - J. Gardner and M. Creekmore from NAMI were available to answer any questions.
  - The contract request is to increase targeted outreach support in Ypsilanti, Ypsilanti Township and Whitmore Lake.
  - B. King stated that $105,000 is a small amount of funding for 2.5 FTE’s and he would like to have a discussion with the group about trying to find a way to increase their wages.
  - J. Gardner stated that all of the staff are part time and they don’t receive benefits.
  - This program ties in with the Ypsilanti Community Schools campaign.
  - F. Brabec requested a budget status each month that for this project.

MOTION BY B. KING, SUPPORTED BY K. WALKER TO APPROVE THE NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS (NAMI) COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND EDUCATION STRATEGY PROJECT
WITH AN AMENDMENT THAT THE MILLAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE HAVE THE FLEXIBILITY TO INCREASE THE PAY FOR THE 2 FTE POSITIONS IF POSSIBLE.

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VIII. Items for Future Discussion
- WCSO Update
- Process Development for Requests for Millage Funds
- Housing RFP Presentation-October
- Financial Budget Information-October
- Outcome metrics

IX. Meeting adjourned at 3:39 PM