**State of Louisiana**

**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the**

**Louisiana Commission on Addictive Disorders (LCAD)**

May 12, 2015

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Bienville Building, Conference Room #173

Baton Rouge, LA 70802

**COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:**

* Tony Wick
* Kerri Cunningham
* Tom Lief
* Kathleen Leary
* Freddie Landry
* Shelly Mockler

**COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT:**

* Lana Bel
* Damon Marsala
* Michael Slocum
* Dr. Susan Tucker

**OBH / HQ STAFF PRESENT:**

* Quinetta Womack, OBH Director of Adult Residential Services
* Kenneth Saucier, OBH Director of Regional Services
* Jennifer Farlough, OBH Administrative Assistant
* Natresha Duncan, OBH Administrative Assistant

**OBH/HQ STAFF PARTICIPATING BY CONFERENCE CALL:**

* Rochelle Dunham, OBH Assistant Secretary/Medical Director

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

* Steven Taylor, Baton Rouge
* Yolanda Webb, Executive Director, Metropolitan Human Services District (MHSD)
* LaMiesa Bonton, ARDA Director
* Marolon Mangham, LASACT Director

1. **SERENITY PRAYER & ROLL CALL**

Kerri Cunningham called the meeting to order. Freddie Landry led the Commission members and guests in a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Jennifer Farlough conducted roll call.

1. **APPROVAL OF MARCH 2015 MINUTES**

A motion to accept the March 2015 minutes was made by Kerry Cunningham. All were in favor and the motion passed to approve the March 2015 minutes.

1. **OLD BUSINESS**

**a. Review and Update the Commission By-laws**

* Reviewed LCAD by-laws, Ms. Cunningham reported the by-laws need to be revised and edited. A discussion was held and it was determined the language describing the duties of the chairperson needs to be changed. Kathleen Leary mentioned that she would take care of these changes at the June 2015 meeting. Ms. Cunningham gave Commission members a copy of by-laws from another council to use as a guide.

**b. Advisory Council Invitations**

* Advisory council invitations to be sent out

1. **New Business**

**a.** **Update from Ms. Yolonda Webb, Metropolitan Human Services District (MHSD) Executive Director**

* Yolonda Webb reported MHSD is the single point of service entry,
* MHSD operates five clinics,
* Brenda Webster is MHSDs Communications Director,
* Ms. Webster promotes and informs the public about their programs on radio stations (WHIP LP 102.3 or WHIVFM.ORG) from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. every Friday.
* MHSD is investing in a grant that allows them to capture the needs of the people in the community and also to obtain access to needed information.
* MHSD is developing a Crisis Stabilization and Mobile Crisis Response Team.
* They are training on the Memphis Model of CIT to recruit and train staff on what is mental illness, developmental disabilities and alcohol, drug and gambling addictions.

**b. Report from the Office of Behavioral Health (OBH) by Dr. Rochelle Dunham, Assistant Secretary**

* By conference call Dr. Dunham reported:
* OBH is entering the next two quarters series of webinars,
* Need assessments targeting information relative to certain rules for providers, and
* Readiness assessments performed through the LGE linkages,
* SAMHSA is providing OBH with information in an effort to help move toward integration from Magellan of Louisiana to the Bayou Health Plans with Quinetta Womack as the point person in this process.
* Consultants from the National Council on Behavioral Health will help all providers in the network move toward readiness.
* Between May 2015 and June 30, 2015 all service providers should be working on getting their certification(s) from a Bayou Health Plan(s).

**c. Report from Commission Members on Regional Advisory Council (RAC) Activities/Meetings**

* Commission members reported out on the WRAP meetings they attended.

**d. Report on the Governor’s Report**

* The LCAD’s annual report to the governor was due last month, March 2015. Ms. Cunningham prepared the report, but the map identifying the area each LCAD member represents in the report needs to be revised. Kerri Cunningham is working on getting the revisions to the map completed. LCAD member’s approved the 2015 LCAD Annual Report to the Governor, awaiting the corrected map before submitting the report.

**e. Report from Commission Members on Block Grant Public Forums Attended**

* There were no reports from Commission members on attending an LGE sponsored Block Grant Public Forum.
* Marolon Mangham, LASACT Director, reported attending the Block Grant Forums held in Baton Rouge.

**f. ADRA/LASACT Monthly Report** (Optional)

* LASACT received a $5,000.00 Seed Grant from Magellan of Louisiana to work on grandfathering Peer Recovery Support Specialist (PRSS).
* This is an IC&RC/LASACT CEB credential that has a grandfathering period from April 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015. Interest is overwhelming.
* There will be five or more peer ethics classes starting across the state from April 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015. The classes are scheduled to be held in Alexandria, Ruston, Lafayette, Baton Rouge and New Orleans.

**V. NEXT COMMISSION MEETING**

The next meeting of the LCAD was discussed, and the date, time and location were set. The next meeting will take place in the Bienville Building, in Baton Rouge, at OBH Headquarters, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9, 2015.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

Kerri Cunningham called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor and the motion passed to adjourn the meeting at 3:06 p.m.