

**Kansas Mental Health Coalition**  
*Speaking with one voice to meet critical needs of people with mental illness.*

**KMHC BOARD MINUTES**

**March 27, 2019** Valeo Behavioral Health Center - 330 SW Oakley, Topeka, KS

**Convened by President Eric Harkness at 11:45 a.m.**

- Approve Minutes

**Old Business:**

- Budget discussion – Amy distributed a table showing the proposed tentative budget. Included adjustments from 2018. Approved motion to adopt tentative budget pending review by committee. Motion Jane Rhys, second Dave Ranney.
- Discuss developing member recognition program. Like the idea of recognizing member engagement and asking members to vote. Would need to have some basic criteria for the award if they are voting. Could also just decide to give an award when it is merited. When to present the award – could be Annual Meeting or Advocacy Day. Could also consider an external award for service delivery.

**New Business:**

- Insurance Policies Current – paid liability policy. Appoint Nominations Committee – Sue and Jane will report a slate at the April KMHC meeting.
- Create new working committee for Mental Health Parity. Eric would like the Chair to come from the Board, but there may not be a volunteer. Suggest Rick and Sherrie solicit a volunteer to serve as Chair. They might be invited to become a board member if there is interest.

**2019 Schedule - Future meeting guests and topics**

- Sue Ellen Fried – author/advocate 913-530-5527
- Secretary Laura Howard
- KDHE – Becky Ross / OneCare – October?
- KDHE - Fran Seymour-Hunter?

Advocacy Day - March 14, 2019

2019 KMHC Meetings: 9 a.m.–11:30 a.m. Jan 23, Feb. 27, Mar. 27, April 24, May 22, June 26, July 24, Aug 28, Sept. 25, Oct. 23, Nov 20, Dec. 18

Board Meetings: 12 noon quarterly the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays (March 27, June 26, Sept. 25, Dec. 18)

**Reports:**

Board Members

2018-2021	2016-2019	2017-2020
Bob Chase	Jane Adams	Eric Harkness
Susan Crain Lewis	Dr. Sherrie Vaughn	Kyle Kessler
Mary Jones	Walt Hill	Dana Schoffelman
Dave Ranney	Colin Thomasset	
Sherrie Watkins-Alvey	Jane Rhys	

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m. When paired with the work underway to improve community based services, in particular expanded housing and community based outpatient treatment, as well as expanded inpatient options,