

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

KMHC BOARD MINUTES

June 26, 2019 Valeo Behavioral Health Center - 330 SW Oakley, Topeka, KS

11:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

President Eric Harkness convened the meeting.

- Approve Minutes [Review Minutes](#)

Old Business:

- Budget and Membership Report – online payment is being set up by Colin. Need to collect dues and advocacy day sponsorships.
- Honoring members – continued discussion regarding how to honor members who do the work of the Coalition. Amy recommended Board create Member of the Year Recognition nominations/2 paragraphs of supportive information submitted by members in November – Board vote at December meeting. Present award at Advocacy Day. Discussion – should it be a current member? Groups seems to think yes.

Eric would like to be able to honor some former members – this policy wouldn't prohibit other awards that could be given by the Board.

Sue – keep it simple

Corinna – could be multiple members?

Sherrie – spirit could be to leave it to the intention to honor members who are participating and leave the particulars to the nominations that come in – Board could decide.

Motion – Sue Lewis – establish annual member of the year award for those particularly involved, to be nominated by membership as a whole in November, voted on by the Board in December, awarded at Advocacy Day.

Shereen Ellis second.

Motion passed.

New Business:

- New Board Members Information – distributed bylaws and policies documents.

Add Shereen Ellis and Sherrie Watkins to the Advocacy Committee distribution list.

- MOU for Grassroots Advocacy Network – Board approved a Memorandum of Understanding with P3 for facilitating the grassroots advocacy network. Worth about \$10,000 SAMHSA contract dollars. Statewide consumer network grant was a part of P3's grant deliverable. Motion by Sherrie Watkins, second by Monica

Kurz. (Corinna added that she will have to confirm the rules relating to advocacy/contacting legislators with CMS to assure that they do not violate their grant rules.)

2019 Schedule - Future meeting guests and topics

- Sue Ellen Fried – author/advocate 913-530-5527
- Secretary Laura Howard
- Kim Lynch – Commissioner on State Hospitals
- Work Group on Crossover Youth – Georgetown model?
- KDHE – Becky Ross / OneCare – October?
- KDHE - Fran Seymour-Hunter?
- KDHE – Medicaid Director? – interested in how new billing codes are established and how they are implemented. Kyle points out that we may need to wait until they have become more
- CCBH grants – Missouri – how can Kansas be prepared for the next round? Requires passage of the current legislation and another round of federal legislation.
- Wyandot Center update on the first episode psychosis grant. Valeo was brought in also.
- Tracey Titus, RN, CCHP-RN – National Commission on Correctional Health Care – providing telemedicine to Telemedicine is available through all but 3 mental health centers at one level or another. There are a couple of pretty effective out of state providers. There is a fourth group in Kansas trying to become certified.
- Update on juvenile reform? Moving to the crossover movement... Legislative post audit?
- Andy Brown – Kansas participation in the national Governor’s Challenge on Suicide Prevention

Adjourned at 1:02 p.m.

Future board items = look into changing the registered agent

Added agenda item – general discussion of potential legislative issues.

Advocacy Day - February 19 2020

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 4th Wednesdays (March 27, June 26, Sept. 25, Dec. 18)

Reports:

Board Members

2017-2020	2018-2021	2019-2022
Eric Harkness	Bob Chase	Colin Thomasset
Kyle Kessler	Susan Crain Lewis	Dr. Sherrie Vaughn
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	Sherrie Watkins	Lewis Brown
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