

**KENTUCKY COMMISSION  
ON  
SERVICES AND SUPPORTS  
FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH MENTAL RETARDATION  
AND OTHER DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

**September 12, 2006  
Fair Oaks, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Frankfort, Kentucky**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Secretary Mark Birdwhistell, Chair	Senator Julie Denton
Commissioner John Burt	Marsha Vanhook
Gayle Rees	Representative Steve Nunn
Malkanthie McCormick	Louise Underwood
Pat Seybold	Harold Kleinert
Glenna Taylor	Roland Mullins
Dan Baker	William Shaw
Gwynn Royster	Karen Gardner

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Senator Tom Buford	Commissioner Jennings
Roy Shirley	Ralph Clark
Herman Terry Leigh	Representative Jimmie Lee
Patricia Dissell	Cathy Edwards

**OPENING REMARKS**

The meeting was called to order by Secretary Mark Birdwhistell.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Gayle Rees to accept the minutes as submitted and seconded. The motion passed.

**OAKWOOD TASK FORCE UPDATE**

Oakwood Task Force Update was provided by Dr. Foster and Dr. Luchtefeld. The Task Force Committee has primarily served in an advisory capacity. Recommendations were made to the Secretary (see attachment). A motion was made by Gayle Reese to continue the Task Force until the next legislative session. The motion was passed and seconded.

Secretary Birdwhistell spoke regarding Bluegrass MH/MR Board assuming management of Oakwood. Beginning November 1, 2006, Bluegrass will manage Oakwood. Bluegrass MH/MR Board has developed a transition plan for all staff. All efforts are being made for a smooth transition.

## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **SJR85: Aging Caregivers**

This report was given by Roland Mullins, chair of the subcommittee. The subcommittee did not meet this quarter. The subcommittee is interested in crisis stabilization issues and plans to meet again. The date for the next meeting has not been set.

### **Funding Sources**

This report was given by Dan Baker, chair of the subcommittee. The funding sources subcommittee did not meet this quarter. Commissioner Jennings currently has the subcommittee's recommendations. Commissioner Jennings is in the process of reviewing the recommendations.

### **Quality and Best Practices**

This report was given by Karen Gardner, chair of the subcommittee. The subcommittee has met twice since the last commission meeting. The Statewide Transition Committee has been folded into the quality and best practices subcommittee who welcomed four new members from that committee. Current status of outcomes and tasks assigned to the subcommittee outlined in the 10 Year Plan was thoroughly reviewed. In addition, tasks assigned were prioritized and the top four are the following:

- Reviewing data and community transition process
- Monitoring implementation of consumer direction/self direction in all Waivers
- Assuring the individuals and their families are fully informed about the options for services and supports that can be made available to them
- Developing recommendations for a comprehensive monitoring system based on best practice.

The subcommittee also received several educational presentations that resulted in discussions on quality monitoring and informative/access to service.

Presentations included:

- An update from the Crisis Stabilization Workgroup
- Informational sessions on the Quality Assurance/Risk Management process
- Progress reports regarding individuals involved in facility to community transitions
- Steps in the process to become a new SCL Provider

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There was a question regarding the status of the 1115 Waiver and response was given regarding the current plan for the SCL waiver to remain a 1915c Waiver.

**NEXT MEETING**

Next meeting date is **December 5, 2006** from **1 p.m. to 4 p.m.**  
100 Fair Oaks, Frankfort

The meeting was adjourned.