

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Sales Tax Committee

Meeting Minutes

March 1, 2011

3:30 p.m.

Jefferson Board of County Commissioner's Chambers

Approved April 5, 2011

I. Call to Order/ Introductions

Board Members: X John Austin
 X Sheila Westerman
 X Catharine Robinson
 X Barb Carr
 ___ Anne Dean excused absent
 X Conner Daily
 X Jill Buhler

Staff: Jean Baldwin, Siri Kushner and Julia Danskin

Public: Sam Markow and Ford Kessler

I. Approval and modification of the Agenda: Jill (M)/Sheila (S)/Approved

II. Review and adoption of the minutes of January 4, 2011:
Sheila (M)/Conner (S)/Approved

III. Public Comment:

Ford Kessler shared that state budget cuts to treatment services are serious. He has laid off one staff and another staff is retiring. Consequently he will have a wait list for drug and alcohol treatment services.

Sam Markow shared Jefferson Mental Health anticipated some budget cuts and has made adjustments in services. JMH has increased services to clients in the community with 3rd party payers (Health insurance). JMH recently got licensed to be a contractor for Division of Vocational Rehab.(DVR). Sam thanked John for his work on the RSN Board to renegotiate the contract for inpatient treatment beds to a more reasonable rate for penalties for over use. State DSHS regions are reducing from 6 to 3. Jefferson County will now be part of Region 3 which will be all of previous Region 6 plus Region 5 which include Kitsap and Pierce County.

IV. 2010 Annual data report – Siri Kushner: Siri summarized Evaluation Report: January – December 2010 from contracted agencies and Report Highlights. There was much discussion regarding the data and tables. Due to time John asked the Committee to review the data and if they had more questions to

bring them to the next meeting April 5, 2011. Questions about the data could be emailed to Julia and forwarded to Siri.

- V. Report on Evaluation and Assessment activities: Jean reviewed report “What did the 2010 0.1% Tax Funds Allocated to Jefferson County Public Health Assessment purchase?” The fund allows both: data collection/evaluation from agencies/programs funded by the tax to review work in an unobtrusive way and community risk assessment. Community Assessment data has been presented in several meetings since last fall and is available on Jefferson County Public Health Web site. The community is changing, how we identify gaps in services and populations at risk. The data is available for any agencies in the community who might be applying for grants. It has been used extensively by this committee to choose which programs they have wanted to fund. <http://www.jeffersoncountypublichealth.org/index.php?health-of-jefferson-county>

- VI. 2011 Budget Tracking: Julia shared the 2011 budget excel spread sheet. Revenue for January and February are on track. Expenses for February are not posted yet.

- VII. Update Juvenile/Family Therapeutic Court budgets: Barb shared two documents. One is a total Budget for Family Therapeutic court and Topside for the year. The other was Topside report. Barb shared with the committee how FTC numbers are very low and there has been a turnover in staff. They would like to use some of the 1 10th 1 % funds for training of new staff. Topside has a consistence number of kids participating. Concern was expressed on spending service dollars on training for so many individuals.

- VIII. 2012 RFP process and budget: Julia shared an excel document with the amount that 1 10th 1% has spent the past 3 years including 2011 budget amounts. There is a subtotal under Adult services and Youth services. Due to time “2010 RFP process and budget” was tabled till the next meeting April 5th. The past two years the RFP has gone out the first half of April with the applications due by May 31st. Jean mentioned that the county budgets are due in the summer but we can move funds around or choose to supplant so there is some time to review 2012 allocations. Julia said the Youth School Contracts need to be decided in July so the 10 month contract can be in place by September 1st.

- IX. Next meeting
April 5, 2011, 3:30 PM, Commissioners Chambers,
2012 RFP process