

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Sales Tax Committee

Meeting Minutes

June 7, 2011

3:30 p.m.

Jefferson Board of County Commissioner's Chambers

Approved July 5, 2011

I. Call to Order/ Introductions

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

Staff: Julia Danskin

Public: Ford Kessler

- I. Approval and modification of the Agenda - Approved
- II. Review and adoption of the minutes of May 3, 2011 – Catharine (M)/Barbara (S)/ Approved
- III. Public Comment

Ford shared that Treatment funds were cut by 17% in the 2011-2012 budget passed by the legislature. It is worse that he had anticipated. He will find out next week how much of a cut Jefferson County will experience.

- IV. Jefferson Mental Health's request for additional funding in School Based Mental Health Clinic for additional services for Chimacum before the end of the school year in June.

May 17, 2011 Sam Markow called and requested an additional \$2,000 for Jefferson Mental Health's School Based Health Clinic contract to be used to provide additional Mental Health Services at Chimacum High School before the end of the school year in June. The request was made based on increase need at Chimacum High school which experienced a student suicide May 4, 2011. All the committee members were contacted by phone that day and all agreed that based on the situation at Chimacum High School it was appropriate to increase services for these specific mental health needs. Sam was notified that the Committee agreed to the increase. The amendment to the

contract is currently in process with the county and should be approved by the Board of County Commissioners Monday June 20, 2011. Jill (M)/Barb (S) and the Committee approved continuing to process the amendment to increase Jefferson County Mental Health's School Based Health clinic contract from \$57,750 to \$59,750, Sept. 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011.

The Committee wanted it noted that since the MH/SA Sales tax Committee only meets once a month it was appropriate in emergency situations and for immediate needs to have discussion and consent via phone/email for services/funding based on need and available funding.

Any discussion or decision via phone/email will be presented at the next scheduled Committee meeting.

- V. 2011 Budget Tracking – Julia shared an updated 2011 excel spread sheet. Veronica Shaw, Deputy Director/Chief Operations Director of JCPH made corrections and adjustments to the Budget tracking spread sheet. Veronica was unable to attend meeting to explain changes. Julia tried to explain changes in actual expenses to "month that expenses were incurred not paid". Beginning cash carry forward was corrected based on actual beginning 2011 balance. Julia will request that Veronica attend future meeting to explain the adjustments to the excel spread sheet.
- VI. First quarter 2011 Data – Julia handed out 1st quarter 2011 data report that Siri sent. There was discussion about what the numbers meant and if agencies were reporting on the same services. It was discussed how difficult it is to report on services that vary from Jail Nursing services to Public Health Nursing visits with pregnant and parenting women. The committee asked what the data means and if it is possible to identify how the services are making a difference. Julia will take the comments back to Siri.
- VII. Family Therapeutic Court and Topside updates (Juvenile Therapeutic Court)

Michelle from Family Therapeutic Court explained the history of FTC in Jefferson County. It has been difficult to get the judicial system to refer or require families into FTC. There has been an increase in the number of dependency filings the past few years so there is an increased opportunity to find families that could benefit from the program. It is unknown if the lawyers and judges will encourage families into the program at this time.

Barbara and Shannon from Juvenile Services gave a report on Topside (Juvenile Therapeutic Court). They have 7 kids in the program. Both families and the staff working in the program see and hear success stories of kids changing behaviors.

Due to time the meeting ended without completing the agenda.

- VIII. 2012 budget and review of allocations by percentages – Julia will bring a list of actual expenditures past 3 years and draft 2012 budget.
- IX. Draft summary data and funding 2010 for BOCC
- X. Next meeting - July 5, 2011
Agenda:
 - Review 2012 applications