

Allegany/Garrett County Social Work Caucus

Meeting Minutes

October 12, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Jennifer Glotfelty, Caucus Chair. The following members were in attendance:

Kathleen Powell
Lisa Olinger
Monica Barnett
Mary Lou Perkins
Mary Pat Trumbule
Janice Chippendale

Tamra Warnick
Anita Rozas
Paul Roeder
Lisa Crowder
Melissa Clark

Lisa Hill
Donna McClintock Fost
Jennifer Glotfelty
Dee Guthrie
Joy Taylor

Review of Minutes

The minutes of the August 10, 2016 meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

Committee Updates

Legislative Network – no update

NASW-MD

The update was deferred during the business meeting. Daphne McClellan, Executive Director of the Maryland NASW Chapter, was in attendance as the guest speaker for the CE presentation to follow. She included an overview of all current NASW-Maryland chapter activities during her presentation, including licensing and legislative issues currently being addressed.

Social Work Month

Jennifer Glotfelty discussed plans for March 2017 Social Work Month activities. Food barrels for the Western Maryland Food Bank will again be distributed to caucus members' agencies for those who would like to participate. Garrett County Department of Social Services has offered to host the meal for a celebration luncheon. The date and luncheon location are not finalized. Caucus funds will be used for any expenses related to the event other than the meal. Compassion Fatigue is the tentative topic for the luncheon presentation, and CE approval will be requested.

Continuing Education Committee

The presentation at the December 14, 2016 caucus meeting will be the last session in the current CE series. The speaker will be David Stewart, Program Director for the Western Maryland Health Insurance Connector Entity.

Reports

AHEC West Board of Directors

A committee is updating the agency by-laws, policies, and procedures. A new staff position of Associate Director has been created, and Melissa Clark, AHEC's ECHO Program Coordinator, has been selected for this position.

Continuing Education

Christa Snyder was not present to provide an ACM update. Caucus members provided updates on upcoming CE opportunities including: "The Effects of Parental Substance Abuse" at ACM on October 20, 2016, which is co-sponsored by the caucus; Financial Training, a University of MD Extension

training to be held at Pressley Ridge on October 28; and “Religion, Spirituality, and the Mind-Body Connection” at ACM on October 28, 2016.

Treasurer’s Report

Joy Taylor reported that the Caucus has a balance of \$2,597.98.

Other Business and Announcements

Joy Taylor announced that this will be her last meeting as the AHEC *West* staff liaison with the Social Work Caucus. Joy’s duties at AHEC have included serving as a regional HPV Education/Cancer Prevention Project Coordinator. Joy will now be serving at the national level on a full-time basis under a CDC grant to support HPV vaccination. Jenn expressed appreciation to Joy for her many years of support to the caucus. Joy introduced Melissa Clark, AHEC *West* Associate Director, who will be serving as the staff liaison for all the AHEC *West* caucuses.

The listserv was circulated for updates.

There was discussion of counseling resources for those affected by substance abuse including the need for resources for family members dealing with a loved one’s opioid addiction. Rebecca Meyers, Program Director with ACHD Out-Patient Addiction Services was suggested as a future caucus speaker.

Kathy Powell shared information on an upcoming activity as part of Bridges to Opportunity, a community initiative to address poverty. A simulation activity is planned to help in understanding the decisions faced by those living in poverty. The simulation is being piloted with the Leadership Allegany class. Volunteers are needed to assume the roles of community business people. Volunteers will be asked to attend an orientation on October 26, 2016 and participate in the three hour simulation on November 2, 2016 at WMHS.

CE Presentation

Daphne McClellan, Executive Director of the Maryland NASW Chapter, presented “NASW and Licensing Updates”.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 14, 2016 at the WMHS Physician’s Conference Room from 12:00 to 12:30, followed by a CE presentation by David Stewart, Program Director for the Western Maryland Health Insurance Connector Entity.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Chippendale
Caucus Secretary