

AHEC West

PSYCHOLOGY AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING CAUCUS

MINUTES

November 7th, 2016

Allegany College of Maryland, CE Room #6 – Cumberland, Maryland

CALL TO ORDER: Anne Sheetz called the meeting to order at 1:05pm and welcomed everyone and asked for introductions. She apologized for the mix up in the Narcan training but asked for a discussion of the training. The following individuals were present:

Michael Motter

Anne Sheetz

Christa Snyder

Judith Altemus

Justin Davis

Jeff O'Neal

Jack Zealand

Katie Salesky

Misti Slaughter

Billy Wright

She asked everyone to review the attached minutes. After review, they were approved as written.

REPORTS

Continuing Education

Christa presented on the continuing education programs to be held at Allegany College of Maryland. Dr Ackerman will be presenting May 12th on opioids. She also reported that a course will be held May 22 also related to drugs. Six hours of CE credits will be awarded for these two courses. Christa will also be providing one hour credit for the Narcan training when she receives the disciplines from everyone.

Other CE discussion and money revenue included Dr. Janet Hendershot to present on a forensics training.

AHEC West Board of Directors

Mike Motter announced that the board meeting September 20, 2016. The only new business was the hiring of an associate director. Katie confirmed that Melissa Clark is now the associate director of AHEC West.

Treasurer's Report

It was announced for the Treasurer's Report that as of September 30, 2016, the caucus has \$802.41 in the account which further encouraged members to develop some CE revenue ideas.

OLD BUSINESS:

Update to Caucus Member list & Mailing List

Katie distributed the listserv for updates. There were no changes at this time.

Purchase Tracking Form Signatures

As decided at the August 22, 2016 meeting all caucus members will bring their own lunch and there is no longer a need for the purchase tracking form and it can be taken off of the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS:

Future Training Committee:

Everyone discussed the success of the training and decided to create a separate committee to plan for additional trainings. It was discussed this may help increase attendance. The committee will consist of Misti, Jack, Jeff, Christa, and Katie.

Legislative Committee:

Jeff O'Neal asked the group if anyone attending was aware or advocating for any of the new bills in this season's legislative session. He mentioned times when counselors may be left out of a bill or social workers may have new bills. Katie mentioned the Maryland Rural Health Association legislative committee that focuses on rural health related bills. She will contact the caucus members with Lara Wilson, MHRA executive director.

Case Study:

The group welcomed the idea of a case study. In order to allow for those attending the meeting the business meeting will now be completed in 15 minutes allows 45 minutes for a case study of a challenging or interesting case. Jeff O'Neal will present the first case study to the caucus at the February 27th 2017 meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Anne Sheetz announced that the Massachusetts General Hospital Psychiatry Academy <http://mghcme.org/> is an excellent source of FREE CEU's.

Billy thanked the group for allowing others to attend today's training and stated this was totally appropriate after receiving an opioid awareness initiative from the president at the prison systems. The next meeting will be held on Monday, November 7, 2016.

Anne adjourned the meeting at 1:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Katie Salesky