**SE Regional Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Date: May 3rd, 2021**

**Chair:** Joann Mills Johnson, A.J. Derro

**In Attendance:** Sue Shannon, Karleen Caparro, Joann Johnson, Jazmin Banks, Kim Renninger, A. J. Derro, Sean Brinda, Ellen Kozlowski, Amelia Mraz, Beth Burgess, Sheila Faith, Marvin White, Velma Kennedy, Raymond Federici, Tracey Riper-Thomas, William Holt, Eric Ayers

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| **Topic** | **Discussion** | **Action** |
| **Review of minutes** | Reviewed minutes | Approved |
| **Budget Update****Conference/Retreat Subcommittee Report****Advocacy Subcommittee Report****SE Regional CSP Election/Nominations****SE Regional Logo****OMHSAS Announcements****County Report****NAMI Announcements****Next Meeting**  | * Total available to spend: $4,712.54
* Spent: $8,200
* $1,000 was allocated to each County for tablets.
* $2,200 went to reimbursing Phila. County for caterer.
* $200 for the logo
* $500 seed grant was approved today for Begin with the End event.
* Philly CSP is throwing an event and needs funding for it, Marvin will talk to Sue.
* Conference committee will use $400 for conference key note speaker.
* Last year we allocated $2,500 for the conference.
* Conference: June 7th from 9am-1pm.
* Conference capacity: 50 people
* Make sure you register!
* Keynote speaker ins Maureen Feeney-Burnes
* Conference Topic: The mental health system, where things were, where things are now, and what needs to be done. There is hope that we have made strides and we can continue to make strides towards a better mental health system.
* We will be honoring our community partners. Each county has chosen a partner to honor. Philly is getting 2 because they are larger.
* Will do breakout rooms, and are planning 2 activities, the first is a painting with a twist (minus the twist) instructional painting of Monet sunflowers. The other activity is karaoke. There will be an educational piece and active wellness activities.
* Conference budget:
	+ Keynote speaker: $400.
	+ Mail: $400
	+ Swag: $250
	+ Honorees: $500 ($100 each)
	+ Music (Danny): Stipend (amount?)
	+ Co-facilitator (Jazmin): Stipend (amount?)
	+ Individual leading painting, we are not sure about payment.
	+ Total budget for conference: $2500
* Motion passes to allocate $2500 for SE Regional CSP conference.
* We will be mailing out art supplies for people participating. We will also be mailing swag.
* Karleen will reach out to each county and see what they would like to be included info wise in the swag bags.
* Regarding music: We will ask Danny from CSP to lead.
* Jazmin is co facilitating.
* A. J. will MC for the conference.
* We have 5 honorees:
	+ Bucks County: Hope for Heroin
	+ Montgomery County: The Hospitality Center
	+ Philadelphia County: Begin with the End, Reconnect US
	+ Delaware County: Compeer
* Karleen will put flyer together and it will be going out tomorrow.
* We are writing a letter concerning the PA budget for mental health, focusing on why we need more funding for mental health care.
* Ideas brainstormed to include in the letter:
	+ Community mental health services and turn over
	+ Housing
	+ PHAN video link
	+ We need more staff training and better incentives for mental health practitioners and providers
	+ ACT team as an example of underfunded and ill executed model.
	+ Supporting community based health services.
* A.J. will work on finishing this letter.
* Julie sent a letter to Kristen Houser inviting her to our CSP meeting. She accepted our invitation! She will come to our CSP meeting in July or August.
* For the upcoming election: there are 3 ballot questions that will make changes to Pennsylvania’s constitution.
* Anyone can vote even if you are an independent voter.
* The constitutional amendment in question would limit the government to declare a state of emergency for 21 days, and then legislature will have to agree upon it to continue.
* A state of emergency declaration effects benefits and resources available within the purview of the emergency declaration. This also effects resources available for the opioid epidemic.
* The other amendment would give the general assembly the power to overturn it with the majority.
* Amending the PA constitution to allow for equality for rights based on race and ethnicity.
* Regarding land use with state hospital, Pam Howard has updated information and will be speaking about this at Montgomery County CSP meeting on May 20th
* We had the executive meeting last Monday. We want the elections ASAP. We will start to accept nominations today.
* There are 3 general meeting co-chair positions, 2 co-chairs for conference committee, 2 co-chairs for advocacy committee, and 1 treasurer position available.
* Current leaders, please reach out if you want to continue your position.
* Please submit a paragraph bio to send out to the whole committee.
* We are trying to get more attendance/participation. Is anyone interested in doing a promo for fb? Please shoot A.J. an email if you are interested in doing a testimonial.
* Should we do a quarterly meeting, and divide it with each county? (Will revisit next meeting).
* Vote to accept the logo. Motion passes to accept logo.
* OMHSAS planning council is coming up this month May 18th.

Philadelphia County* We held a meeting every month since January with multiple presenters, including the Philadelphia Rent Coalition.
* Gave updates on COVID-19 vaccines.
* Sent out over 500 emails with resources,
* Added people to our email list.
* Attended OMHSAS stakeholder meeting.
* Looking to have an anti-violence resource fair where we buy back guns in the near future.
* Health and Wellness conference, looking to distribute food on a monthly basis.
* We purchased tablets for members of the community.
* We are meeting with agencies to do presentations about CSP.
* Planning multiple resource fairs before June.
* Philadelphia conference is June 25th (Via zoom).
* None
* SE Regional CSP conference June 7th
* Next CSP meeting: July 5th
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