

Meeting Minutes: Dakota County Opioid Response Advisory Committee

Date: Tuesday, January 2, 2024

Minutes prepared by: Elizabeth Unten

Location: Northern Service Center, 1 Mendota Rd, West Saint Paul

Attendance

- Lived Experience
 - Tiffany Neuharth
 - Jacqueline Young
 - Cara Schulz
- Health Care
 - Dr. Seema Maddali
 - Michael Beltowsky
- Community Partners
 - Hanna Kazempour
 - Bridgette Norring
- Local Government
 - Luke Hellier
 - Nate Burkett
 - Terry Johnson
 - Deputy Chief Bryan Schowalter
- Dakota County
 - Coral Ripplinger
 - Madeline Goebel
 - Alicia Ward
 - Elizabeth Unten
- Absent: Jennifer Denmark, Susan Pugh, Marcus Blue, Q Mursal, and Erin Carder

Decisions Made

None

Agenda

- Introductions
- Chemical Health
- Bylaws
 - Vote on Bylaws
- Elections
- Public Comment
- Adjournment

Next Meeting

Date: Tuesday, February 6, 2024

Time: 3:00 pm

Location: Northern Service Center

Meeting Notes

Per Diem Requests

Eligible committee members who opted to receive a per diem received request to sign.

Chemical Health presentation

Alicia Ward delivered a PowerPoint presentation on the Dakota County social services chemical health program, emphasizing the Medication-Assisted Treatment (MOUD) program. The presentation underscored the collaborative efforts between Dakota County Social Services, the Dakota County Sheriff's office, and Advanced Correctional Healthcare. Alicia detailed the referral process to the program and provided insights into the program's structure. Additional follow-up was requested by the committee on the impact of the MOUD program and demographic data of participants.

Approval of the Bylaws

Luke Hellier moved to approve the bylaws, and it was seconded by Michael Beltowsky. The motion passed.

Elections

Madeline provided the group a brief description of the three open positions, chair, vice chair and temporary chair. The committee is scheduled to vote for positions during the next meeting. Committee members interested in running for roles are required to submit a written nomination to Madeline Goebel before February 1st.

Public Comment

Two members of the public were present. No comment.