

## Peer Support Collaborative Minutes

September 16, 2009

Present: Pete, Jace, Brian, Angie, Andrea, Jill, Phil, Carol, Kelly-Jien, Francis, Sean, Vanessa, Doug D., Nancy

Agenda Item	Discussion Points	Outcome / Action	Complete
<b>Facilitator</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brian</li> </ul>		√
<b>Check In</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>		√
<b>Next Week's Facilitator</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Angie</li> </ul>		√
<b>Review Minutes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>		√
<b>New Member Orientation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One new member, Brian offered to stay after meeting to answer questions</li> </ul>		√
<b>Job Announcements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Douglass Community Association</li> </ul>		√
<b>Recovery Institute</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sean announced website.</li> </ul>		√
<b>ArtWorks</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sean gave out RI website address <a href="http://www.recoverymi.org">www.recoverymi.org</a> much of the art</li> </ul>		√
<b>Computer Lab</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please see Collaborative Calendar</li> </ul>		√
<b>Self-determination</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No one present, going well, call Recovery Institute</li> </ul>		√
<b>Supported Education</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Phil attended Hospitality Days at KVCC last week</li> <li>• Phil gave some students Disability Services phone number to arrange accommodations</li> <li>• Phil hosted Supported Education support group last week. Pizza was provided for the first event. Six students attended</li> <li>• Doug and Brian will be attending Supported Education support group. They will be providing 'tool kit'</li> <li>• Cathleen Hursh, of Recovery Institute, will attend the following week</li> <li>• Recovery Institute website will not be posted on WMU website as a service available to students</li> <li>• Phil is also contacting local High Schools, Kalamazoo and Portage, about providing parents and students with information about accommodations and Recovery Institute support services</li> </ul>		√
<b>People United to Secure Housing (PUSH)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No one present today, they helping someone keep their housing today</li> </ul>		√

<b>Keystone</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keystone is having end of summer party September 30 this will be an all-day event. There will be a musician and Karaoke. Pete is looking for volunteers to help out.</li> <li>• Women's Group met last month, one of the groups went to the movie. The next group will be Monday September 21 at 1pm.</li> <li>• Housing Vouchers will be available at Keystone when they come out, details will</li> </ul>		√
<b>Access &amp; Outreach</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bill Jones</li> </ul>		√
<b>PoWeR Group</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No one present</li> </ul>		√
<b>Recovery Court</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Doug apologized for missing recently, but has been traveling to other Recovery Courts to see how they operate, including New York</li> <li>• This court in New York is very strict. Rychers Jail, holds 20,000 people</li> <li>• The Judge does not have much patience with people who are not serious about making changes</li> <li>• Kalamazoo's court is working with people who have minor felonies</li> </ul>		√
<b>Hope Network – Crisis</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No one present</li> </ul>		
<b>Principles of Peer Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sean passed out applications and announced new deadline for applications is October 1</li> </ul>		√
<b>InterAct – Action Employment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No one present</li> </ul>		√
<b>InterAct - Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non one present</li> </ul>		√
<b>InterAct – Wellness Team</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At noon to one today, the Wellness Team is going to discuss Peer Support. They will provide food at the Cedar Street</li> </ul>		√
<b>InterAct – Substance Abuse Management Module (SAMM)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No one present</li> </ul>		
<b>Peer Companions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deb is working with someone to secure housing</li> </ul>		√
<b>KCMHSAS Homeless Shelter (Oakland House)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Some KCMHSAS crisis staff will be available at the shelter on the third shift.</li> <li>• Angie is going to spend some time at Oakland House to learn more about that program</li> </ul>		√
<b>Life International</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No one present</li> </ul>		√

<b>The Living Room</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Angie is working on the curriculum for the Living Room.</li> <li>• It may open up in November. They are waiting for the Crisis Center to open. Opening the Crisis Center requires some construction, so the Living Room will not be able to open until the Crisis Center is able to open in the new building</li> <li>• Status of Crisis Center – If the Crisis Center is not ready to open on October 1, people who require crisis housing, will be transported to programs in Grand Rapids or Cass County, until the building in Kalamazoo is licensed.</li> <li>• Because of the above changes, Crisis Housing on Howard Street will be closing September 30<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>•</li> </ul>		√
<b>DBSA –Depression Bipolar Support Alliance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No one present</li> </ul>		√
<b>The Roof</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No one present</li> </ul>		√
<b>Recovery International</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Francis reported that they had their first Monday night meeting last week.</li> <li>• Flyer has been updated to include both meetings</li> <li>• This is a self-help mental health organizations 72 years old. They teach behavior and self-help techniques. Two meetings a week are held in the community. This is for people who are in recovery themselves. They are considering creating a meeting for family members too.</li> <li>• They are also available to come and speak about the program</li> <li>• Vanessa was introduced. She leads the Monday group</li> <li>• Phil suggested that he introduce Recovery International to the Recovery Council in Lansing. The Council is off on October and November</li> <li>• You can find Recovery International online at <a href="http://www.LowSelfHelpSystems.org">www.LowSelfHelpSystems.org</a></li> <li>• Monday meetings are 5-7pm at Alexander Center 118 East North Street. For more information, please contact Vanessa at 270.3196 or <a href="mailto:vanessal.lewis@yahoo.com">vanessal.lewis@yahoo.com</a></li> <li>• Wednesday meetings are 7-9 pm at the First Congregational Church, 129 South Park Street, ask for Fran 344.9143 or <a href="mailto:jerrfran@sbsglobal.net">jerrfran@sbsglobal.net</a></li> </ul>		√

<b>Misc.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Legislative Breakfast is this Friday at 8:30-10:30 at ROI</li><li>• Pagen Pride meeting that was supposed to be this Friday has been postponed</li><li>• JIMHO is building a Peer Support Association. People might want to consider joining National Association of Peer Specialists.</li></ul>		
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