MICHIGAN DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT BOARD

MEETING MINUTES
January 31, 2014

***** DRAFT *****

Members Present:
Dr. Cris Sullivan, Chair
Sgt. Yvonne Brantley
Jeffrie Cape
James Fink
Honorable Libby Hines
Kathryn Hoover
Honorable Jeff Sauter

Staff Present:
Michelle Bynum
Debi Cain
Julie Giddings
Sarah Heuser
Gail Krieger
Mary Lovik
Tiffany Martinez
Lore Rogers
LaShawn Thurman, Board Secretary

Guests:
John Lazet, Michigan Department of Attorney General
Donovan McCarty – Intern to Judge L. Hines
Mary Keefe – MCEDSV

Welcome and Introductions

Chair C. Sullivan convened the January 31, 2014 Michigan Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention and Treatment Board meeting at the Department of Human Services, Grand Tower Building in Lansing, Michigan at 2:10 p.m. Introductions were made and a welcome extended to guests.

BOARD CONSENT
Review of agenda; approval of the November 15, 2013 meeting minutes.

MOTION: Moved by K. Hoover to approve the January 31, 2014 agenda and the November 15, 2013 meeting minutes. Motion seconded by L. Hines. Motion carried.

CHAIR'S REPORT

C. Sullivan reported that sexual assault researcher, Dr. Rebecca Campbell received the 2014 Outstanding Faculty Award at Michigan State University.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – GENERAL OVERVIEW OF WORK TO DATE

D. Cain thanked the Board for their outstanding commitment.

D. Cain reported that Director Maura Corrigan received an Excellence in Mentoring Award from MENTOR: The National Mentoring Partnership at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C.

D. Cain reported that S. Heuser, staff member to the Board, was recognized in the recent DHS online article on Title IV-E Waivers.

D. Cain provided the Board the email she sent to the Governor's Office on the Jurisdictions of Excellence Project.

D. Cain reviewed the correspondence and audit reports on the Children's Advocacy Center Fund for FY'09 through FY'12 and FY'13 from the State Budget Office, Office of Internal Audit Service. D. Cain noted that the miscellaneous item on the report is for investment services fees. The auditors are requesting that the Board accept the audit reports. The reports will then be forwarded to the legislature as stipulated in the CAC Fund Act.

Motion: Moved by J. Cape to accept the audit reports. Motion seconded by J. Fink. Motion carried.

D. Cain reminded the Board that Wayne County Prosecutor, Kym Worthy, is the current President of PAAM and as such is working on a Sexual Assault Kit Legislation Package. D. Cain and G. Krieger convened a Sexual Assault Summit to obtain feedback from stakeholders including law enforcement, the Attorney General's Office, Michigan State Police and Forensic Labs, the Michigan Sheriff's Association, Prosecuting Attorney's Association of Michigan (PAAM), Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANE) and victim advocates about potential legislative items for the PAAM package.

D. Cain shared that several Federal grant deadlines are approaching. The Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP) grant has been submitted. The Family Violence Prevention Services (FVPSA) grant will be due soon, as well as the Grants to Encourage Arrests (GTEA). The Services, Trainings, Officers and Prosecutors (STOP) grant will be due in March, 2014. The Rural grant has been closed so that the Board was unable to apply this year.

D. Cain reported on the meeting that she, J. Sauter, and J. Fink had with the Governor's Chief of Staff regarding the State's assessment of funds to cover Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB). Beth Clement and State Budget Director, John Nixon were also present at the meeting.

D. Cain indicated that the Chief of Staff spoke with the Governor prior to the meeting. Director Corrigan has also pled the case on behalf of the Board. The Governor's staff offered a short term solution for the coming year to put in a special appropriation that would cover the cost for OPEB. J. Sauter reported that the meeting was positive. J. Fink reported that the Governor's staff was aware of the Board's concerns and had researched the issue. The Governor's staff made suggestions about structural changes for the Board to consider.

Legislative Review

D. Cain reported on funding for Grants to Encourage Arrest (GTEA) and its provision for withholding 5% of funds for states that do not meet certain HIV testing requirements. Michigan is currently subject to this withholding. In the new Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), there was a slight change in the provision.

G. Krieger reported on a proposed statutory amendment to require HIV testing upon victim request within 48 hours of presentment of the indictment or information against a defendant charged with criminal sexual conduct in any degree. Passage of the proposed amendment would bring Michigan into compliance with the GTEA funding requirements in 42 USC 3796hh(d) and restore the 5% of funding currently withheld under this grant.

Motion: Moved by J. Sauter to support the concept of the proposed amendment. Motion seconded by Y. Brantley. Motion carried.

M. Lovik reported on proposed amendments of MCR 3.705, which would prohibit internet publication of the identity or location of individuals protected by personal protection orders.

Motion: Moved by J. Sauter to direct staff to draft and submit comments supporting the proposed amendments. Motion seconded by L. Hines. Motion carried.

M. Lovik reported on HB 5190, which would permit courts to consider past juvenile adjudications of criminal sexual conduct in imposing enhanced sentences on adults convicted of criminal sexual conduct violations.

Motion: Moved by J. Fink to support HB 5190. Motion seconded by J. Sauter. Motion carried with L. Hines and J. Cape dissenting.

M. Lovik provided an update on HB 5136, which requires the Michigan Department of Community Health (DCH) to develop a standard release form for disclosure of behavioral health information to other health care providers. She has been working with bill proponents to either make the form (which is currently under development) compliant with the confidentiality requirements of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) or to obtain an exemption from the bill's requirements for VAWA-funded agencies.

M. Bynum & L. Rogers presented a powerpoint reviewing pertinent information regarding the STOP (Services, Training, Officers and Prosecutors) plan.

Motion: Moved by K. Hoover to approve the STOP plan along with certifications. Motion seconded by J. Cape. Motion carried.

J. Cape reported that she will be on the Board of the Batterer Intervention Services Coalition of Michigan (BISCMI) and has checked to insure that there is no conflict of interest.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No comments.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Moved by K. Hoover. Motion seconded by Y. Brantley. Motion carried.

The meeting ended at 4:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
LaShawn Thurman