

**OPEN MEETING - MINUTES**  
**Waukesha County Health and Human Services**  
**Substance Use Advisory Committee (SUAC) Meeting**  
**February 20, 2024**

**Present SUAC Members:** Addiction Resource Council (Lindsay Just, Chair), AODA Volunteers of Waukesha County (Tom Graves, Vice Chair), Department of Corrections (Marla Bell), Lutheran Social Services (Tina Ettinger), Rogers Memorial (Jim Hishmeh), WI Community Services (Susie Austin)

**Absent SUAC Members:** Bethany Christian Centers (Deb Adamus), WisHope (Peter Brunzelle)

**HHS Board Liaison:** Dr. Michael Goldstone

**HHS Staff Liaisons:** John Kettler, Lori McIlroy

**Guests:** Jessica Brost, Janelle McClain

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Just called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. Introductions were exchanged among the committee members and guests.

**2. Review and Approval of Minutes**

**a. November 14, 2023**

Motion: Graves moved, second by Just, to approve the Substance Use Advisory Committee minutes of November 14, 2023. Motion passed without a negative vote.

**3. Committee Business**

McIlroy will be the new HHS Staff Liaison with Kettler.

Ettinger arrived at 3:07 p.m.

**4. 2024 Joint Community Prioritized Needs Presentation to HHS Board – April 18, 2024**

Attendees continued to discuss topics for the joint Community Prioritized Needs Presentation that is scheduled to be held on April 18, 2024.

The topics discussed included:

- Delta 8 Awareness and Education
- Share return on investment for Certified Peer Specialists
  - Medicaid will be allowing Peer Support to be billable in 2025
- Housing Issues
- Transportation Issues

**5. Committee and Organizational Updates**

**a. HHS Board Liaison**

Goldstone shared the Delta 8 issues and his fact sheets with the HHS Board.

**b. HHS Staff Liaisons**

Crisis Resource Center is now open and operational.

The American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM), 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, has been released and trainings are available.

The Rx and Illicit Drug Summit will be held in Atlanta, GA, April 1-4.

The Opioids, Stimulants, and Trauma Summit will be held at Kalahari Resort, May 7-9. The event is hybrid, allowing for in-person and virtual attendance. Registration has not been opened yet.

There is a bipartisan-supported bill up for vote to make Xylazine test strips.

As of March 1, Waukesha County, utilizing Opioid Settlement Funds, will begin using the Mental Health Center (MHC) for inductions onto Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) for those that have trouble engaging in the outpatient setting.

**6. Agency Updates / Announcements**

There were no agency updates or announcements.

**7. Discuss Items for Next Meeting's Agenda**

There were no additional items for the next meeting's agenda.

**8. Public Comment**

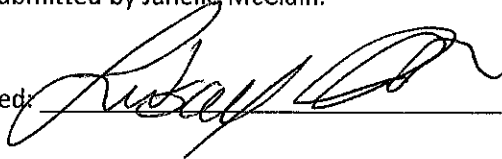
There was no public comment.

**9. Adjourn**

Motion: Austin moved, second by Graves, to adjourn the meeting at 4:26 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Janelle McClain.

Minutes Were Approved:



Date:

3/19/24