



HUMAN AND SOCIAL SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting October 25, 2019

CHAIRPERSON: Cathy McClain

ATTENDEES: Patricia Beach, The Counseling Source; Roger Cheesbro, Family Recovery Services; Janet Knauff, Lindsey Wilson College; Kim Pacquette, Area Agency on Aging, District 7; Betty Page, Brown County Jobs and Family Services Fraud Division; and Kraig Walker, Highland County Board of DD

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
1. Call to Order	The meeting was called to order by Cathy McClain	
2. Agenda	Approval of the Agenda	Motion by: Kraig Walker 2 nd : Betty Page
3. Minutes	No minutes to review for 2018	NA
4. Reports from the Committee Members	<p>Betty Page – BCJFS Fraud Division goes to the homes when individuals apply for benefits. There has been an uptake of fraud because of the drug problems. Funding for Adult Protective Services has decreased. There is concern the adult population is at risk to include the elderly and the developmentally disabled because of the drug problems.</p> <p>Roger Cheesbro – The need for workforce development is high and it is a top priority. Discussed the Behavioral Health Redesign and the impact on the budget. He believes students need to understand the affiliation process with MPI # and Medicaid Provider #. The billable services are based on the licensure level and the CDCA reimbursement amount will impact hiring in the future.</p> <p>Janet Knauff – Discussed the decrease in student enrollment. Some students prefer the online courses and others prefer the face to face. This is a trend across all level of academia.</p> <p>Kim Pacquette – The geriatric population is increasing. The 7th district will be serving more people due to decisions in other areas of the state. There is a high need for individuals to work with this population. There is an increase in substance use problems with the aging population themselves. In addition, the use of family members impact the elderly.</p> <p>Patricia Beach – Discussed services with the Geriatric population. There is a lack of understanding socially. Discussed the need to take this population to and from appointments.</p>	

	<p>There is an increase in the number who do not get money for medications. This population is going without meds.</p> <p>Kraig Walker – Increase in the service area for the agency. There is a crisis getting enough people to work in DD. Programs serve birth to geriatric population. There is a need for direct support workers. The minimum education requirements for a direct support person is a high school diploma. This is a marketable area.</p>	
5. Review of the Program Curriculum	<p>Reviewed changes in the curriculum for HSSR 435 and 4435 A. Explained the need to reduce redundancy in what is being taught. HSSR 1101 and HSSR 1120 were combined to create HSSR 1110, an introduction course to social services and professional ethics. This allowed for the addition of SOCI 2232 The Criminal Justice System. The thinking behind this was many of the graduates will be working with individuals who are involved with the criminal justice system on some level.</p> <p>The HSSR 435 had an additional change. HSSR 2275 Community Mental Health Issues was removed and replaced with HSSR 2280 Crisis Intervention and Trauma-informed Treatment. The old course had redundant information in it from introductory courses and crisis intervention. The new course is more relevant. It keeps the crisis intervention and adds in new information about trauma. It includes information about the Adverse Childhood Experiences Study and how these affect risk for mental illness and substance use disorders. The students are given resources due to the nature of the course to address personal trauma and/or vicarious trauma. The resources include local agencies for crisis and treatment along with the school counselor, Tom Payton.</p>	
6. Update of the Current/Future Industry Trends & Employment Outlook	<p>Please note, some of the trends are indicated above in the reports from the committee members.</p> <p>Cathy McClain presented information about Peer Support Recovery Specialists and this as a potential impact on enrollment. Students have discussed pursuing these jobs instead of continuing in the program. In discussions with students it is explained the differences between peer support and treatment. Students are always encouraged to continue in the program in addition to obtaining any certification offered by the state to become a Peer Support Recovery Specialist.</p> <p>Individuals to work with the DD population and the geriatric population are needed.</p>	
7. Employer Recommendations for Improvement	<p>None specifically made by the Committee members beyond what is indicated above in the reports.</p> <p>Cathy McClain presented information on plans for improving the program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Develop a certificate program for working with the DD population. B. Develop a certificate program for working with the geriatric population. 	

	<p>C. Expand the Chemical Dependency education by developing certificates.</p> <p>Positive response by the Committee Members in attendance who are concerned about their needs as well as the needs of other practicum sites not represented.</p>	
8. Plan of Action	<p>A. Cathy McClain will complete the design of the DD certificate. Letters of support will be secured from local organizations to submit to the Ohio Department of Education.</p> <p>B. Cathy McClain will complete the design of the Gerontology/Geriatric certificate. Letters of support will be secured to submit to the Ohio Department of Education.</p> <p>C. Cathy McClain will develop two certificates to address the education requirements for chemical dependence licensure.</p> <p>D. Cathy McClain will develop a survey to send to graduates to assess if the students felt prepared for their chosen field or next educational level, i.e. bachelor and master programs. This is to elicit feedback from former students about course content.</p> <p>E. Cathy McClain will develop a survey for practicum sites to assess if they believe the students at SSCC were prepared to work in their chosen fields, knowing practicum is part of the on-the-job training too. Feedback about additional topics needed for students to improve curriculum will be part of the survey. In addition, this is an attempt to elicit feedback on their current needs, as an organization, and how SSCC can partner with the community to fulfill these needs.</p> <p>The above items have a goal of completion within the next 12 months.</p>	
9. Adjourn	Cathy McClain adjourned the meeting.	