

Consumer Council Conference Call

February 3, 2011

600-7:00pm

On the Call:

Chair: Mike Weaver - Chair (Charlotte), Laura Goddard – Vice Chair (Wake),
Dan Shaw (Durham), Donna Foreman (Durham), Dave Rowe (Western- Asheville), Jennifer Overfield
(Wilmington), Marc Jacques (Wake), Rosemary Weaver (Forest City –Rutherford)
Staff: Gloria Harrison

Minutes from last meeting were amended to state that Mike Weaver resigned as Chair because of NAMI National duties and approved.

Round Robin

Laura Goddard – Connection group in Wake County looking for place to hold meeting. She and Marc are hoping for venue on Friday afternoons.

Dan Shaw – NAMI Durham has 5 consumers on board of Directors!

Sam Hargrove – has made 25 IOOV presentations to Durham Veterans Hospital (VA). A Veterans Consumer Council at the VA has great promise. They are working on systemic changes.

Dave Rowe – spoke about IOOV in Buncombe County. Tracy Mixson received an award for 7 years of service.

Jennifer Overfield – says that NAMI Wilmington has added one more consumer member to their board. She is participating in the National Leadership Youth Network summit in the school system.

Marc Jacques - is working on CABHAs and a regional meeting on behalf of CFAC. He is also working on IOOV and Peer to Peer.

Rose Mary Weaver – from Rutherford-Cleveland, is the only consumer representative that she knows of. She is working hard to represent the consumer point of view. She is also on the NC CFAC.

Mike Weaver – attending a meeting with Marc and Beth Melcher at the Department of Health and Human Services trying to get CABHAs to be responsive to consumers. He spoke about proposed changes in the DSM regarding borderline personality disorder and narcissistic personality disorder and said that this would change Connection training.

Elections were held and Marc Jacques was elected by unanimous vote as chair. The Executive Committee is as follows:

Marc Jacques – Wake – Chair
Laura Goddard – Wake - Vice Chair
Jennifer Overfield – Wilmington - at large
Kent Goddard – Wake - at large

David Girod – Alamance - at large
Major Sampson – Rowan - at large
Diana Marsh – Forsyth – at large
Simon Ayun – Guilford – at large

A discussion of future concerns ensued. The group decided to focus on a Legislative agenda. It was agreed that letters should be sent to the legislators asking for continued funding for mental health. These letters should include personal stories. Marc will run this by Deby in appropriate manner.

Submitted by,
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