

## OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Instructions: [F-01922A](#)

Name of Governmental Body: State Council on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse (SCAODA)		Attending: (See in narrative below)
Date: 12/8/2017	Time Started: 9:32 am	Time Ended: 2:24 pm
Location: WI Dept. of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection, Madison, WI		Presiding Officer: Duncan Shrou, Chairperson

### Minutes

Members present: Duncan Shrou, Kristi Sullivan (Thad Schumacher), Norman Briggs, Roger Frings (Ted Nickel), Sandy Hardie, Thai Vue, Caroline Miller, Sue Shemanski, Dr. Subhadeep Barman, Senator Janet Bewley, Jennifer Malcore (Linda Seemeyer), Representative Jill Billings via Skype, Ryan Shogren via Skype (Brad Schimel), Michael Knetzger, Jan Grebel (Dave Ross), Brian Radday and Emily Jensen (Senator Devin LaMahieu)

Members excused: Christine Ullstrup, Zach Bemis (John Nygren), Brenda Jennings (Tony Evers), Autumn Lacy (John Litscher)

Ex-officio Members present: Mishelle O'Shasky, Mike Ayers (Daniel J. Zimmerman), Brittany Lewin (Laura Gutierrez), Matt Sweeney (Rick Chandler), Jennifer Fyock (Craig Harper), Dashal Young (Eloise Anderson), Katie Roberts via Skype (Morna Foy), Mark Wegner

Ex-officio Members excused: B.J. Dernbach (Ray Allen), Gary Bennett (Ray Cross), Dr. David Galbis-Reig, Ann Sievert (Beth Swedeen)

Staff: Mike Derr, Joyce Allen, Christy Niemuth, Chino Amah Mbah, David Nelson, Lorie Goeser, Mai Zong Vue, Kate Rifken, Beth Collier, Joann Stephens, Bernestine Jeffers, Allison Weber, Alexandra Wright-O'Neil

Guests: Raeanna Johnson, Gary Roth, Paul Krupski, David Macmaster, Dr. Robin Joseph, Harold Gates, Joe Muchka, Karen Doster, Sheila Weix, Peter Thao, Nancy Michaud, Irene Secora via Skype

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**Call to Order:** Chairperson Duncan Shrou called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

**Introductions:** Members, guests, and staff introduced themselves.

**Approval of September 8, 2017 Minutes:** Norman Briggs moved to approve the meeting minutes, and Sandy Hardie seconded. Mike Derr noted misspellings in the members section that he would correct. The motion to approve, subject to Derr's addendum, was approved unanimously.

**Public input:** No public input was offered today either in person or by phone.

### Election of Officers:

Sue Shemanski, as member of the Elections Committee, announced three candidates for the three open positions: Duncan Shrou as the Chairperson, Norman Briggs as the Secretary, and Sandy Hardie as the Vice Chairperson. Each candidate gave a brief presentation on their background. Shemanski moved that the Council members vote by acclamation to elect the slate of three candidates into their respective positions, and Dr.

Subhadeep Barman seconded the motion. The Council voted unanimously in favor of the slate of candidates for one year terms. Following the election, Chairperson Shroust strongly encouraged voting members to consider running for elected positions in the future.

**Medicaid Allocations:** Mike Derr referenced the October 2017 announcement from the DHS Division of Medicaid Services that more federal and state Medicaid funding will be allocated to cover mental health and substance use disorder outpatient services. Rates will be raised on January 1, 2018, at a level which meets and/or exceeds rates from surrounding states. This change was initially announced on 10/23/17 at the annual Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Recovery Conference in Wisconsin Dells. Rates for inpatient services have not yet been affected. Joyce Allen clarified that this increase is not a one-time lump sum-type payment, but will occur continuously. She added that the next Forward Update will provide specific details on the new rates, and that all SCAODA members will have that information forwarded to them.

**Committee Reports:**

*Executive Committee* – There have not been any committee meetings since prior to June 2017 due to vacant officer positions. Duncan Shroust reported that the 2018 council meeting dates have been established, and are found on page 120 of the booklet.

*Diversity Committee* – Sandy Hardie announced that during the Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Recovery Conference last October, the Diversity Committee held a dialogue session that was really well received. Attendance at the dialogue session continues to grow each year. The Committee sponsored a panel discussion at the conference, and there were several diversity-related breakout sessions. The Peer Specialist presentation was held during the last session, and the committee is currently working with Anthony Harris to refine it further.

*Intervention and Treatment Committee (ITC)* – Norman Briggs summarized the discussion from October and November meetings. The committee received a preview of a software system that shows real-time treatment slot openings at various levels of care for treatment programs and social services. The software is not yet ready for distribution, but it should be of great interest for council members. Subhadeep Barman asked about the estimated release date of the software, and Briggs guessed that it would be within the next year. Briggs added that non-profit agencies would not need to pay a fee to use the software, though hospitals and insurance companies would. Guest Sheila Weix clarified that the service is currently used only for Dane County, but that the software developers plan to expand it statewide.

Briggs noted that during the September 2017 Council meeting, Jennifer Malcore moved to incorporate DSPTS recommendations in the Workforce Report. The motion did not pass, but the committee took note of her suggestion and decided to wait until the DPS 160-168 administrative rule changes have been adopted by DSPTS before considering that agency's recommendations regarding the Workforce Report. At the November meeting, a motion to include a smoking cessation services representative in the ITC was adopted by committee members.

Senator Bewley inquired about what is being done about the methamphetamine crisis in northwestern and other areas of Wisconsin. Briggs replied that vendors who receive second round of HOPE grant funds are being required to provide both methamphetamine and opioid treatment, and that the committee will study best practices. David Nelson added that the federal Opioid STR Grant project administered by BPTR will also assist in this matter. Seven applicants for HOPE 2.0 grant awards are from the northwest part of the state and were listed as high-need areas. Proposals are currently in the award review process.

*Planning and Funding Committee* – Duncan Shroust said that approximately 35 people attended the open forum that was held at the Mental Health and Substance Use conference. Several suggestions were made, including the following: given how many people come to the meetings and provide information and ideas with little

understanding of the state council, one strategy is having an educational session about the state council before holding future open meetings. Several council members offered suggestions regarding DHS rulemaking that encouraged working closely with legislators. The Committee is changing its focus to have a broader understanding of substance abuse funding in Wisconsin and who is being served by the funding, and to achieve more equity in urban/rural distribution. Mishelle O'Shasky expressed interest in having a representative from the Wisconsin Council on Mental Health (WCMH) work with the Committee.

*Prevention Committee* – Christy Niemuth announced an upcoming report on workplace prevention issues that will be developed by the Workplace Prevention Ad-Hoc Committee, headed by Jill Gamez. The Ad-Hoc Committee recently held its first meeting, and more will be held over the next year, with the report being presented to SCAODA for review in late 2018. Stakeholders include representatives in the labor, recovery, business and industry sectors. Opioid STR grant funding that Division of Care and Treatment Services (DCTS) is awarding will go to state coalitions within the Alliance for Wisconsin Youth organizations. Suggestions on how to use the funding included supporting the cost of lock boxes, deactivation units, permanent drop off locations, “take back” events, naloxone trainings for public-facing personnel, and community events. The Prevention Committee also works with an opioid advisory workgroup, which is currently establishing the workgroup’s vision and goals. Paul Krupski will be joining this workgroup. Niemuth replied to Norman Briggs that the workgroup is seeking an EAP representative to join them.

**Presentations from Outpatient Treatment Programs:** Bernestine Jeffers provided an overview of the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant (SAPTBG). An accompanying PowerPoint presentation, which was distributed as a handout to the group, will be included on the SCAODA website. Program presenters were from ARC Community Services, Community Advocates, Lutheran Social Services (LSS), and the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families, Division of Milwaukee Child Protective Services. During the presentations, a lengthy discussion occurred between Senator Janet Bewley and Lorie Goeser regarding housing for former methamphetamine convicts. Additional discussion was held concerning the Treatment Alternative Program (TAP) administered by LSS, including discussion among several Council members and DHS staff for increasing the likelihood of preventing sexual harassment and other abuse in such programs. Mishelle O'Shasky asserted that DHS and the Council need to assure that when overseeing grant-funded programs, staff and other monitors consider quality control and clients’ rights issues and concerns. In response to O'Shasky’s question, Norman Briggs clarified that ARC Community Services’ outpatient services are available to any eligible clients, not just to persons released from the Department of Corrections. All SAPTBG-funded programs are required to use evidence-based practices.

Dr. Robin Joseph presented on the Children Welfare Substance Abuse Program on behalf of the Division of Milwaukee Child Protective Services. She reported that in approximately nine out of ten co-sleeping related deaths, substance use is involved. Children with parents who have substance use disorders often receive in-home safety services. She clarified how the parents are identified as having substance use disorders throughout the process. Thai Vue asked if there was any demographic data available, and Dr. Joseph confirmed that the program is required, by contract, to collect that data, and that it is available in the full performance reports. Mike Derr agreed to include more of that data for future presentations.

**Tracking Performance Outcomes of SABG-funded Programs:** Mike Derr gave a presentation on the Bureau’s processes and forms used to track the performance outcomes of programs funded under the Substance Abuse Block Grant. He also presented the Contract Site Visit Base Checklist forms to the group. The materials of this presentation were included in the booklet. Norman Briggs asked if the AODA peer reviews are still being conducted, and Derr confirmed that they are, but that the process is being revised. Mishelle O'Shasky asked if SCAODA members are invited to site visits, and Bureau staff responded that this could be arranged. Harold Gates asked about how CLAS (Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services) standards will be

implemented. Bernestine Jeffers mentioned that in March, Mai Zong Vue will be training SABG staff on CLAS standards and how to incorporate them into contract.

**Federal Fiscal Year 2018 SYNAR Report on Youth Access to Tobacco:** Nancy Michaud presented the FFY 2018 SYNAR report, which was conducted and written jointly by UW-Madison and the Division of Care and Treatment Services. The report was included in the booklet. The survey is typically conducted during the summer, over the course of 1 month, to determine retailer violation rates. In 2017, the results show that violation rates continued remaining under the required 20%, at 7.7%. Michaud cautioned that the rate had increased 0.5% from the prior year, and increased 2% since 2013. Wisconsin's violation rate is currently lower than the national average (which is about 10%). In previous years, the compliance survey focused only on cigarettes. More recently, the presence of and focus on other products such as cigarillos, e-cigarettes, and smokeless tobacco may have skewed the violation rate upward. In addition, Michaud noted that packaging and flavoring for cigarette alternatives are more discreet than cigarettes, so they are more likely to be sold to minors. She added that 13% of high school students in Wisconsin use e-cigarettes, more so than regular cigarettes at 10%. One of the videos used in the "Tobacco is Changing" initiative, a media campaign targeted towards the parents of preteens and teenagers, was shown to the Council.

### **Agency Reports:**

*Department of Health Services* – Jennifer Malcore introduced Paul Krupski, the new Director of Opioid Initiatives who works in the DHS Secretary's Office. The Director's responsibilities fall within three primary categories: coordinating opioid-related policy internally within DHS; serving as a liaison among DHS, other state agencies, and external partners; and leading innovation in fighting the opioid crisis. Malcore mentioned that the ForwardHealth update regarding Medicaid increases will be sent out next week. Also, the Pew Charitable Trust and the Governor's Opioid Abuse Task Force have been working on how to move forward addressing the opioid crisis. Recommendations will be given next week and released to the public in January.

*Department of Revenue* – Matt Sweeney presented various tax collection numbers and updates. He noted that the excise tax revenues had declined 2.1% over the past year, including a 1.0% decline in liquor tax revenues and 2.7% in beer tax revenues.

*Department of Public Instruction* – On behalf of Brenda Jennings, Mike Derr announced that the 2017 Building the Heart of Successful Schools Conference was scheduled for Dec. 7-8, 2017 in Appleton. The primary conference focus was on the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child model. Also, the AODA Student Mini-Grant competition to support prevention education was now completed, with funding awarded to 64 programs. Finally, the results of the 2017 Wisconsin Youth Risk Behavior Survey were now posted on DPI's website.

*Department of Safety and Professional Services* – Brittany Lewin announced that a public hearing on proposed changes to administrative rule chapters SPS 160-168 has been scheduled for February 2, 2018. On November 30, 2017, Andrea Magermans, the department's managing director of the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP), testified before the US Senate about the program. (To view testimony, see <https://www.help.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/Magermans.pdf>.) In addition, Lewin stated that many activities and initiatives are happening across the state to prevent prescription drug abuse.

*Department of Veterans Affairs* – Mike Ayers gave updates on the VORP program. There have been 829 veterans in 49 counties that the VORP staff has had contact with. Of that number, 330 veterans have been assessed and diagnosed. Ten percent of those assessed have been placed in treatment, with follow up services offered afterward. The program is ending at the end of 2017, but a bill has been introduced to make the program permanent by March 2018. A public hearing will be held in the legislature shortly. Ayers clarified that the total budget is for \$1.3 million for 9 months. Thai Vue asked if those services could be applied to Hmong veterans of

the Laos military. Ayers responded that he will get in touch with him later to clarify. Caroline Miller mentioned that training is offered by the Wisconsin Voices for Recovery's ED2 Recovery Program that may also be a resource for veterans.

*Wisconsin Technical Colleges* – There were no updates given.

*UW Systems* – There were no updates given.

**Bureau of Prevention, Treatment and Recovery Update:** Joyce Allen presented on several Bureau updates. Joann Stephens is the new Consumer Affairs Coordinator. Kate Rifken has been hired on as the Data and Evaluation Specialist. Jason Harris will now be serving as the STR Grant Program coordinator. Kimberly Wild has been hired to serve as the SPF-Rx Grant coordinator. Kristine Palmer was hired last summer to serve as the Opioid Data Specialist. In addition, Allen noted that the Bureau is leading efforts to revise Chapter DHS 75 of the Wisconsin Administrative Rules, with the statement of scope being finalized. The STR Grant program is moving forward with funding opportunities.

Allen also referenced recent updates to the Integrated Peer Specialist training and certification program; more information was included in the meeting booklet. In addition, the Bureau continues to maintain frequent contact with SAMHSA on several fronts. Mike Derr announced the completion and submission of the FFY 2018 SABG Annual Report, which reported on the most recently-available program outcomes and expenditures. The state has remained in compliance with the SABG requirements, and the new two-year plan (FFY 2018-19) is now in effect. Finally, Allen mentioned that staff assisted the Planning and Funding Committee with holding its annual public forum at the October 2017 Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Recovery Conference.

**Report from the Wisconsin Council on Mental Health:** Mishelle O'Shasky reported that most of the most-recent Council meeting discussion focused on the strategic plan. She also mentioned Council efforts to keep the committees diverse and the council broad in scope, as well as to include components about advocacy.

### **Next Meeting Agenda Items**

The next SCAODA meeting will be held on March 2, 2018 at the Wisconsin DATCP. Topics will include block grant program presentations and the ED2 Recovery coach presentation.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:24 p.m.

Prepared by: Michael Derr on 2/7/2018.

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