
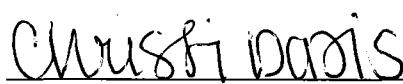


**S.C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING**  
**SCDMH Administration, 2414 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201**

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	FOLLOW UP, ETC.
<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>	The January 8, 2016 meeting of the South Carolina Mental Health Commission was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Dr. Alison Y. Evans, Chairperson, in Conference Room 323 at the SC Department of Mental Health Administration Building, 2414 Bull Street, Columbia, SC. Mr. Jeff Ham provided the invocation.	
<b>INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS</b>	Dr. Evans welcomed students of the SC Governor's School; Dr. Jason Martin, ("Passionate about Medicine" instructor); and Ike Coleman ("Mental Health and Pop Culture" assistant teacher to Dr. Evans); and Mr. Tray Graham (Resident Life Coordinator) as special guests. Regular attendees and additional guests were also welcomed to the January Commission meeting.	
<b>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</b>	<i>On a motion by Buck Terry, seconded by Beverly Cardwell, the Commission approved the agenda for today's Business Meeting.</i>	
<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</b>	<p><i>On a motion by Joan Moore, seconded by Buck Terry, the Commission approved the minutes from the Dinner Meeting held on December 10, 2015.</i></p> <p><i>On a motion by Beverly Cardwell, seconded by Dr. Everard Rutledge, the Commission approved the minutes from the Center Presentation on December 11, 2015.</i></p> <p><i>On a motion by Buck Terry, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved the minutes from the Business Meeting of December 11, 2015.</i></p> <p><i>All voted in favor to the above motions; all motions carried.</i></p>	
<b>MONTHLY/QUARTERLY INFORMATIONAL REPORTS</b>	<p>Rochelle Caton, Director of Advocacy presented those items listed under <b>Monthly/Quarterly Informational Reports</b>. It was reported that there are five (5) outstanding Public Safety Patient Protection Reports. Of the twenty-five (25) open cases on the SLED Patient Protection Report, fifteen (15) are being retained by SLED as potentially criminal; nine (9) non-criminal cases were referred to the State Long Term Care Ombudsman's Office (SLTCOO) in the Lt. Governor's Office on Aging; and one (1) case, which is our oldest (opened January 2015) that is being investigated by the Attorney General's Office alleging financial exploitation from a family member.</p> <p>There are no notable changes/trends in the Client Advocacy report.</p>	

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<b>DEPARTMENTAL OVERVIEW AND UPDATE</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Telepsychiatry Recognition</b></li> </ul>	<p>Ed Spencer stated that over 26,000 consultations have been done across the State since the program began in March, 2009. More importantly, Ed noted that Program psychiatrists recommend for discharge. 51% of the patients on the same day as the consultation. The Program is able to save approximately \$ 3,000.00 per episode of care for participating hospitals.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Patrick B. Harris – Joint Commission 2014 Top Performer</b></li> </ul>	<p>Mr. Magill recognized Patrick B. Harris Hospital as being the recipient of the 2014 Joint Commission Award and recognized John Fletcher for his contributions.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Hall Institute Update</b></li> </ul>	<p>Versie Bellamy stated that the William S. Hall Psychiatric Institute Child Adolescent Hospital, previously located on the Bull Street campus, has been moved as of December 15<sup>th</sup>. She also acknowledged that as of 10:30 AM, the last child was discharged from the William S. Hall Institute on Bull Street and moved to William S. Hall Psychiatric Institute on the Bryan Campus. Ms. Bellamy stated that all patients were transported safely on buses and accompanied by nursing, medical, and Public Safety staff members. An open house will be planned in March or April.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Morris Village Presentation</b></li> </ul>	<p>George McConnell presented information pertaining to Morris Village, a residential treatment facility which serves the entire State. The major referral sources are local alcohol and drug outpatient facilities, mental health centers, and self-referrals. Morris village serves approximately 1,400 patients per year. George stated the program's success is by using the multi-disciplinary approach. There are 71 beds for men and there are 28 beds for women.</p> <p>Dr. Trey Causey stated that Morris Village accepts patients 18 and over and the process starts with assessments being done within the first week by an intake counselor, physician, and nurse. Psychiatric assessments can also be done when needed and psychological testing is also done. Dr. Causey also noted that nutritional assessments are also done to ensure the patients are getting appropriate nutrition as part of the rehabilitation. Morris Village also provides family education and facilitates family interaction with the patient. Dr. Causey</p>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bull Street Update</b></li> </ul>	<p>stated the waiting lists are always full and the average stay is approximately 24 – 25 days.</p> <p>Mr. Magill advised that with the movement of Hall Institute to the North campus, all operations have been discontinued on the Bull Street campus. He advised that a meeting will take place next week with the State Fiscal Accountability Authority to approve the final sale on the old Hall Institute parcel. Mr. Magill noted that the ballpark is still on schedule for completion.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Financial Status Update/DMH Budget Request FY 2017</b></li> </ul>	<p>Dave Schaefer called everyone's attention to the financial information in their packets. Medicaid and payroll expenses are coming in a little lower; we are watching both of these. We are anticipating additional expenditures due to the flood. We also anticipate loss of revenue related to the disruption caused by the flooding. We are working with FEMA for possible reimbursement. Geoff Mason spoke a little about the new FEMA grant for outreach workers that SCDMH just received. This is expected to be a ten (10) month program of community outreach to victims of the disaster; Mallory Miller will coordinate the grant efforts with some help from William Wells.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Regional Training</b></li> </ul>	<p>Sandy Hyre stated that training will be held quarterly at the Pee Dee Health Center, with the first one taking place on Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 to 3:30. She stated the focus will be innovation and practices.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Announcements</b></li> </ul>	<p>Janie Simpson has been appointed as the SC State Planning Council Chairperson. On, Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup> DMH hosted its 3<sup>rd</sup> Blue Ribbon Presentation. A 4<sup>th</sup> presentation is in the works.</p>	
<b>OTHER ADDITIONAL COMMENTS</b>	<p>It was noted that the February Commission Meeting has been changed to February 19<sup>th</sup> to accommodate the Cross Cultural Conference.</p>	
<b>NOTICE/AGENDA</b>	<p>A notice and agenda of the meeting were sent out to all individuals and news media who requested information in accordance with state law.</p>	
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	<p><i>At 12:12 p.m., on a motion by Buck Terry, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission adjourned.</i></p>	

TOPIC	DISCUSSION		FOLLOW UP, ETC.
<b>ATTENDANCE</b>			
<b>Commission Members</b>	Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair Beverly Cardwell Everard O. Rutledge, PhD Sharon L. Wilson	Joan Moore, Vice Chair James Buxton Terry Bob Hiott	
<b>Staff/Guests</b>	Diane Dawson Janie Simpson Geoff Mason George McConnell Dr. Trey Causey Lauren Williams Vickie Perry	John Fletcher Tracy Turner Christi Davis Melanie Matrey Joy Jay Bill Lindsay Sandy Hyre	George Johnson Versie Bellamy Alan Powell Stacey Warren Amanda Denson (Others attended via teleconference)
<b>APPROVALS</b>	 Alison Y. Evans, PsyD, Chair	 Christi Davis, Recording Secretary	

# **SOUTH CAROLINA MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION**

## **Dinner Meeting Minutes Conway, S. C.**

**February 18, 2016**

### **Attendance – Commission Members**

Alison Y. Evans, PsyD, Chair

Joan Moore, Vice Chair (*excused*)

Everard Rutledge, PhD

J. Buxton Terry (*excused*)

Bob Hiott

Sharon Wilson

Beverly Cardwell

### **Staff/Guests**

Nedra Black, WCMH Governing Board Member

Leanne Dillian, WCMH Governing Board Member

Dr. Robert Guffey, WCMH Board Member

Lori Chappelle, Clinic Director, Horry County Clinic

Ethel Bellamy, Executive Director, Waccamaw Center for Mental Health

Michelle Little, Director of Clinical Services, Waccamaw Center for Mental Health

Linda Wright, Director of Ancillary Services, Waccamaw Center for Mental Health

Marvin Morris, Administrator, Waccamaw Center for Mental Health

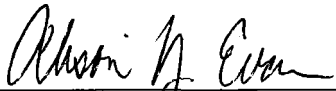
Jan Gawith, Administrative Services Coordinator, Waccamaw Center for Mental Health

John Magill, SCDMH State Director

Terry Davis, Recording Secretary

The South Carolina Mental Health Commission met for dinner at 6:30 p.m., on Thursday, February 18, 2016, at Rotelli's Restaurant, 201 Graduate Road, Conway, SC 29526

There was no one particular topic or focus of discussion and social topics predominated. No motions were made nor votes taken.



Alison Y. Evans, PsyD, Chair

South Carolina Mental Health Commission



Terry Davis, Recording Secretary

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**S.C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION  
S.C. Department of Mental Health**

**Waccamaw Center for Mental Health  
164 Waccamaw Medical Park Drive  
Conway, SC 29526  
(843) 234-8106**

**February 19, 2016  
Center Presentation**

**Attendance:**

**Commission Members**

Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair  
Joan Moore, Vice Chair  
Everard Rutledge, PhD  
Beverly Cardwell

J. Buxton Terry (*excused*)  
Bob Hiott  
Sharon Wilson (*excused*)

**Staff/Guests:**

Michael Hughes  
M. Janice Smith  
Lori Chappelle  
Michelle Little  
Mark Binkley  
Geoff Mason  
Marvin Morris  
Allen Teague  
Jay Little

Kisha Guess  
Linda F. Wright  
Ethel Bellamy  
Jackie Brown  
Alan Powell  
Jan Gawith  
Janet B. Reown  
Leanne Dillron  
John Magill

Barbara Bryant  
Mallory Miller  
Kelli Zeigler  
Shirley Wiggins  
Calep Brown  
Chantanee' Riley  
Teresa Sims  
Bernard McIntosh  
Terry Davis

The S.C. Mental Health Commission met at the Waccamaw Center for Mental Health on Friday, February 19, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. Dr. Evans expressed appreciation to the Center for the courtesies extended to the Commission during its visit. Commissioner Evans then turned the meeting over to the Center Director, Ethel Bellamy. Ethel welcomed the Commission to Conway and Waccamaw Center for Mental Health and thanked the Board members, DMH senior management and the Commission for the support given to the center. She then asked members of the senior management team at Waccamaw to stand and introduce themselves.

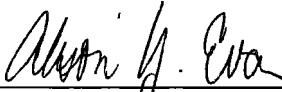
**Presentations:**

Al Teague gave an overview of WCMH Homeless Outreach Program. Year end results were outlined, including types of services/intervention and the number of participants in each program. Three affordable housing facilities were noted; Balsam Place (includes 25 homes), Alliance Inn (includes 57 apartments for families), and MJW (11 units, mostly for veterans). Mr. Teague stated there are separate entities who are involved in improving homeless situations in Horry County. ECHO (Eastern Carolina Homeless Organization), which is sixteen (16) years old, includes a twelve (12) county organization of homeless providers and HUD. Members of ECHO include LRMC, WCMH, North Strand, STRH, and concerned citizens. ECHO invests approximately \$1 million per year for housing of near-homeless or homeless veterans. Mr. Teague reported that other homeless providers include faith-based organizations, public agencies, and non-profit organizations. It was reported that rural homes providers include CBDG, TCRDC, public agencies, and non-profit organizations.

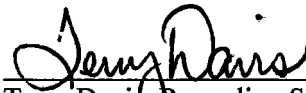
Jay Little and Barbara Bryant presented information on Carolina United, a program that was organized as a result of the October 3, 2015 floods in South Carolina. It was noted that Carolina United was established on October 5, 2015 and by October 9, 2015, a team was training in the Columbia area. Carolina United is an informational resource to answer disaster related questions for flood victims, but does not collect identifying information. The trained teams help the victims by identifying the individual needs and referring them to local resources. Carolina United teams are serving counties in the Midlands, Orangeburg, Sumter, and Georgetown areas. Carolina United is fully funded by the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) and receives monitoring and support from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

Dr. Evans thanked everyone for their excellent presentations.

There being no further discussion, the center presentation concluded at 9:55 a.m.



Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair  
SC Mental Health Commission



Terry Davis, Recording Secretary  
SC Mental Health Commission

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S. C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING  
SCDMH Administration, 2414 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201

<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>		
	The February 19, 2016 meeting of the South Carolina Mental Health Commission was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by Dr. Alison Y. Evans, Chairperson, in the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room at the Waccamaw Center for Mental Health, 164 Waccamaw Medical Park Drive, Conway, SC 29526. Mr. Calep Brown provided the Invocation.	
<b>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</b>		
	<i>On a motion by Beverly Cardwell, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved the agenda for today's Business Meeting.</i>	
<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</b>		
	<p><i>On a motion by Dr. Everard Rutledge, seconded by Beverly Cardwell, the Commission approved the minutes from the Business Meeting of January 8, 2016.</i></p> <p><i>All voted in favor to the above motions; all motions carried.</i></p>	
<b>MONTHLY/QUARTERLY INFORMATION REPORTS</b>		
	<p>Mark Binkley presented the items listed under Monthly/Quarterly Informational Reports. Of the twenty-seven (27) open cases on the SLED Patient Protection Report, eighteen (18) are being retained by SLED as potentially criminal; six (6) non-criminal cases were referred to the State Long Term Care Ombudsman's Office (SLTCOO) in the Lt. Governor's Office on Aging; two (2) cases were referred to local law enforcement, and one (1) case, is being investigated by the Attorney General's Office alleging financial exploitation from a family member.</p> <p>There are no notable changes/trends in the Client Advocacy report.</p>	



**DEPARTMENTAL OVERVIEW AND UPDATE**

❖ Crisis Services	<p>Geoff Mason presented information pertaining to Crisis Services and stated that there are various crisis stabilization efforts in place at every Mental Health Center and more are expected to be in place in the near future. Mr. Mason explained different types of crisis programs that are presently offered, including the categories and definitions of each program. He also explained that services are available in each of the forty-six (46) counties, with 24/7 clinicians on-call at each Center. We have approximately ten (10) Mental Health Professionals co-located in hospital Emergency Departments across the state, with an agreement in place for the hospital and SCDMH to share the cost of the MHP. It was noted that the cost-sharing arrangement seems to be working well for emergency room diversions due to both sides having a vested interest. He also stated that approximately 4,300 bed days are purchased annually from community and private hospitals for crisis efforts. Mr. Mason stated that while we face issues with beds in our inpatient facilities, we do use funds that are provided by the General Assembly for crisis programs. He reported we have received approximately \$6.2 million over the past 6–7 years which was designated specifically for crisis services. Mr. Mason stated he requests the Mental Health Centers, each year, to provide proposals of what they would like to accomplish in the area of crisis with these appropriated funds. He advised that this year, approximately \$3.4 million has also been promised by HHS in order to provide additional crisis stabilization services across the State, with the emphasis to ensure we are able to provide onsite services to children in crisis situations. The funds from HHS have not been received yet, but the contract was received last week, with revisions to be made. In addition, funding commitments for \$ 250,000 each, have been received from the four (4) hospitals in Charleston for the Crisis Stabilization Center to be located in Charleston. The startup financial requirement is approximately \$1 million. The facility will have 10-15 beds, and will be located in the former naval hospital. Other areas that have expressed interest in creating Centers are Florence, Anderson, and Spartanburg.</p>	➤ <b>2<sup>nd</sup> handout was omitted from packet and will be forwarded to Commission Board Members.</b>
❖ VA Nursing Homes Update	<p>Mark Binkley stated that the contracts with the company that operates Campbell and Veterans' Victory House ended last December. The Requests for Proposals Process concluded in November. It was noted that the incumbent, HMR, was the successful respondent in both requests and those were awarded as of December 1<sup>st</sup> and HMR has a new five (5) year contract for each facility. The contractual costs will continue to increase under the terms of the new contracts and he is hopeful the General Assembly will fund the requested increases. Mr. Binkley reported that grant requests totaling over \$90 million have been submitted for three (3) new veteran nursing homes to be located in northeast Columbia (Farrow Road), Cherokee</p>	

VA Nursing Homes Update (continued)	County, and Florence. In January, the Veteran's Administration published the priority list as of 2016, and all three (3) grant requests appeared on the Priority One list. He noted that a twenty-five (25) acre parcel for the facility in Cherokee County (Gaffney) was donated by the County. The parcel for the Florence facility will hopefully be donated by the "Friends of the Florence Stockade".	
❖ Bull Street Update	Mark Binkley reported that there will be closings on two (2) additional parcels next week. With those sales, transfers will total approximately fifty (50) acres. It was noted that we are under contract for the old Hall Institute, bringing the total to one hundred eighty-five (185) acres. Mr. Binkley gave a recap on what has been sold. The Laundry building has not been sold, but is anticipated that it will be purchased. Mr. Binkley stated that as of next week, the total amount of funds that will have been received is approximately \$5.5 million, over a third of the original \$15 million in the agreement. The payments are ahead of schedule.	
❖ Financial Status Update	Mark Binkley, referring to the handouts, noted in September, we projected ending Fiscal Year 2016 with a \$5 million surplus, but we are now projecting a \$4 million deficit. He noted that our community Medicaid revenue has been reduced, mainly due to changes in some of the standards for services we bill and also due to the disruption caused by the October rains and floods. He stated that expenses are also down and the Centers which are projecting deficits, have submitted budget plans for realignment before the end of the year. It was noted that the inpatient facilities are also projecting deficits, relating to some unexpected increases in expenditures and some reductions in revenue, but budget reduction plans for the Division of Inpatient Services are being implemented. Mr. Binkley stated that despite the challenges we have faced this year with revenue, he is confident that with the efforts of Central Office Management, Financial Management, and our Centers and Facilities Management, the Department will be in balance by the end of the year.	
❖ Regional Training	Mr. Magill stated he and Dr. Evans opened the first regional training in Florence recently before a live group, followed by a video circulation around the State. Some of the topics that were discussed included Telepsychiatry, School Based Services (Waccamaw), Housing, Integration with Primary Healthcare, and increased utilization of Administrative Staff. He stated that the response was positive and recognized the staff at Waccamaw for valuable input. The responses from the training are being evaluated and there may be another one scheduled in the next six (6) months.	➤ <b>Information to be forwarded to Commission Board</b>

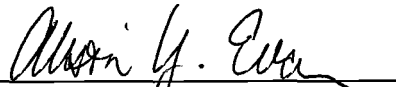
❖ Agency Oversight Reports	Mr. Magill stated that the Senate Oversight Report on SCDMH has been sent to us for review and comments, and although it is still in draft form, we are pleased with the contents and had few comments.	
○ Senate		
○ Legislative Audit Council	Mr. Magill noted that we have reviewed the draft of the Legislative Audit Council's Report of the Agency and it looks positive. It was noted that the Senate Medical Affairs Committee will have a sub-committee review of the report and we will participate in the hearings.	
○ SAMHSA	Mr. Magill noted that SAMHSA (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration) will be coming to South Carolina next week to review compliance with block grants. This will be a joint review of the alcohol and drug block grant, as well as the grant for SCDMH.	
❖ Disaster Preparedness	Mr. Magill stated that our Agency has a very effective disaster plan and stated the regional SAMHSA representative will be coming to Columbia in March for a presentation. The presentation will not only focus on our Agency's overall participation in disaster relief, but also, specifically the response to the Emanuel AME Church shootings and the flooding in October. Mr. Magill stated that SAMHSA may want to use SCDMH's disaster response for possible replication in other states and noted that in the future, the South Carolina model may be recognized nationwide. It was noted that NASMHPD, the national organization representing State Mental Health Authorities, also requested that we send a group of individuals to their annual meeting to give a presentation on South Carolina's disaster relief program.	
<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		
	Mr. Magill reported that the two (2) year Revenue Acquisition Initiative (RAI) statewide project is almost completed and has produced good relations and results. He stated that there will be a ceremony at the March Commission Meeting to present the Blue Cross/Blue Shield Foundation with a plaque to signify our gratitude for donating over \$3 million to expand school-based services in South Carolina. Mr. Magill reported that we will also be receiving a grant from MUSC from the TeleHealth Alliance, which will allow us to expand our ER Telepsychiatry System. This will provide some financial resources for some small rural hospitals who need to update older equipment.	

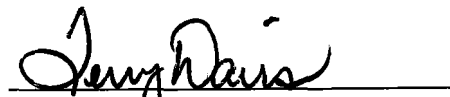
<b>SUMMARY AND WRAP UP</b>		
	<p>Ms. Ethel Bellamy noted that the relationships with county governments are improving, with Board members attending County Council meetings on a regular basis. She also stated that they have spoken with individuals in Horry County to seek increased funding and the responses that have been received have been positive. Ms. Bellamy reported that Williamsburg Hospital closed the previous week and they have been in contact with Clarendon Hospital, as well as with Lake City. Ms. Janice Smith stated that Williamsburg Regional Hospital closed after suffering damage from the October flood and was unable to recuperate. They are projecting that they will have a mobile emergency room available in several weeks, but will not have the capacity to accommodate overnight patients. Ms. Smith stated that Ms. Bellamy has been in contact with Executive Directors in Pee Dee Mental Health and Santee-Wateree Mental Health. Ms. Smith has spoken with the Clinic Directors in those counties and has also contacted hospital staff at Lake City Community Hospital and Clarendon Memorial Hospital. Ms. Smith stated that there has been a collaborate relationship, and law enforcement has been helpful in transporting patients across county lines.</p>	
<b>OTHER ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS</b>		
	<p>Dr. Rutledge stated that we need to continue to develop closer relationships with law enforcement.</p>	
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>		
	<p><i>At 11:05 p.m., on a motion by Sharon Wilson, seconded by Beverly Cardwell, the Commission adjourned.</i></p>	

**ATTENDANCE**

❖ Commission Members	Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair Beverly Cardwell Everard O. Rutledge Sharon Wilson	Joan Moore, Vice Chair (excused) James Buxton Terry (excused) Bob Hiott	
❖ Staff/Guests	Michael Hughes M. Janice Smith Lori Chappelle Michelle Little Mark Binkley Geoff Mason Marvin Morris Allen Teaque Barbara Bryant Mallory Miller Kelli Zeigler Shirley Wiggins Calep Brown	Kisha Guess Linda F. Wright Ethel Bellamy Jackie Brown Alan Powell Jan Gawith Janet B. Reown Leanne Dillron Jay Little Chantane' Riley Teresa Sims Bernard McIntosh	

**APPROVALS**

  
 Alison Y. Evans, PsyD, Chair

  
 Terry Davis, Recording Secretary

S. C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING  
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<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>		
	The March 11, 2016 meeting of the South Carolina Mental Health Commission was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Dr. Alison Y. Evans, Chairperson, in Conference Room 320 at the SC Department of Mental Health Administration Building, 2414 Bull Street, Columbia, SC. Mr. Stewart Cooner provided the invocation.	
<b>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</b>		
	<i>On a motion by Buxton Terry, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved the agenda for today's Business Meeting.</i>	
<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</b>		
	<p><i>On a motion by Sharon Wilson, seconded by Beverly Cardwell, the Commission approved the minutes from the Dinner Meeting held on February 18, 2016.</i></p> <p><i>On a motion by Sharon Wilson, seconded by Dr. Everard Rutledge, the Commission approved the minutes from the Center Presentation on February 19, 2016.</i></p> <p><i>On a motion by Joan Moore, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved the minutes from the Business Meeting of February 19, 2016.</i></p> <p><i>All voted in favor to the above motions; all motions carried.</i></p>	
<b>MONTHLY/QUARTERLY INFORMATION REPORTS</b>		
	<p>Mr. Mark Binkley, Deputy Director of Administration presented the items listed under Monthly/Quarterly Informational Reports. It was reported that there are five (5) outstanding Public Safety Patient Protection Reports. Of the twenty-four (24) open cases on the SLED Patient Protection Report, eleven (11) are being retained by SLED as potentially criminal; ten (10) non-criminal cases were referred to the State Long Term Care Ombudsman's Office (SLTCOO) in the Lt. Governor's Office on Aging; two (2) cases were referred to local law enforcement, and one (1) case, which is the oldest (opened January 2015) is being investigated by the Attorney General's Office alleging financial exploitation by a family member.</p> <p>There are no notable changes/trends in the Client Advocacy report.</p>	

**DEPARTMENTAL OVERVIEW AND UPDATE**

❖ Recognition of Blue Cross/Blue Shield Foundation (Grants for School Based Services)	Dr. Alison Evans presented a plaque to Mr. Harvey Galloway, Chair of the Blue Cross/Blue Shield of South Carolina Foundation. Appreciation was extended to Mr. Galloway by the Commission and the Department of Mental Health for grants that were awarded by the Blue Cross/Blue Shield of South Carolina Foundation to SCDMH in 2008 and 2015 for the expansion of school based mental health services. It was noted that with the support of the Foundation, SCDMH presently has mental health services in over five hundred (500) schools in South Carolina. Mr. Galloway commended SCDMH as a partner in making a very positive difference in lives of the children across the State.	
❖ Report of the Governing Body Committee for Inpatient Facilities Meeting of January 13, 2016 and Approval of Minutes	<p>Ms. Versie Bellamy summarized some significant issues described in the minutes of the January 13, 2016 meeting of the Governing Body Committee for Inpatient Facilities. She stated that the Hall, Harris, and Bryan psychiatric hospitals underwent triennial surveys by The Joint Commission (TJC) during November/December, with each facility maintaining its accreditation. Harris Psychiatric Hospital also underwent a Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS) validation survey between December 28, 2015 and January 5, 2016, and is awaiting the final report from the CMS Regional Office. Ms. Bellamy stated that DHEC Annual Certification Survey was conducted for Stone Pavilion in October, with the DHEC Licensure Survey being conducted in November. The DHEC Annual Certification Survey was also conducted in December for Roddey Pavilion. Both Stone and Roddey remain certified and licensed. Renovations are complete in Stone Pavilion and the new unit opening has been delayed due to staffing issues. It was noted that the statistical measures which are required to be reported to CMS under their Hospital Based Inpatient Psychiatric Services (HBIPS)/CMS Reporting Requirements reflect overall positive performance on core measures by all three hospitals (Harris, Hall, Bryan). Ms. Bellamy reported that C.M. Tucker continues to face challenges with recruitment and retention of nurses and certified nursing assistants. Tucker continues to monitor falls, pressure ulcers, and urinary tract infections, with rates remaining low. Regarding the Sexually Violent Predator Treatment Program (SVPTP), Ms. Bellamy stated there were 180 residents as of January, 2016. She also stated that there were thirteen (13) admissions, ten (10) discharges, and one (1) death in calendar year 2015. She stated the project kickoff for the Inpatient Electronic Health Record was held on January 20, 2016 and the go-live date for EHR is January, 2017.</p> <p><i>On a motion by Buxton Terry, seconded by Beverly Cardwell, the Commission approved the minutes from the Governing Body Committee for Inpatient Facilities Meeting on January 13, 2016.</i></p>	

❖ Legislative Update	<p>Mr. Mark Binkley reported that the House Ways and Means Committee has made recommendations for funding State agencies in FY17, upcoming in July. The results were somewhat disappointing for DMH, with a recommendation of approximately \$11 million in additional recurring funding, which compares with the agency's request for over \$ 21 million in new recurring funds. Additionally, the Committee did not recommend any one-time funding, although the Department requested \$12.9 million for one-time needs. The Committee also did not recommend any Capital funding for the Department, and DMH has substantial capital funding needs. Mr. Binkley stated that management is looking forward to the start of the Senate budget request process next week, when our budget request will be presented to a subcommittee of the Senate Finance Committee. He is hopeful that DMH will receive a greater amount of funding from the Senate.</p> <p>With respect to other legislative matters, there have been several versions of restructuring bills introduced in the General Assembly over the years which would have resulted in DMH becoming a cabinet agency, and often proposing to combine DMH with another agency. In the current legislative session, a restructuring bill, S. 550, which would have combined SCDMH, DOADAS, and the Public Health and Health Licensing portions of SCDHEC under a new cabinet agency has been pending. Mr. Binkley stated there was a full Committee Hearing held with the Senate regarding the bill, and the bill has been referred to Subcommittee. It is highly unlikely that the bill will advance this Session.</p>	
❖ Bull Street Update	<p>Mr. Magill stated that the Developer is using as many of the historic buildings as possible and will exceed the number of repurposed buildings that were originally planned. The Parker Annex redevelopment is close to completion, with an architectural firm moving in near future. He reported that a lot of work has been done on the Bakery Building, and plans for other buildings are being made. Mr. Magill stated that there are issues regarding parking for the stadium, due to none of the parking garages yet being completed. Meetings have been held to discuss temporary parking arrangements on the grounds of SCDMH, SCDHEC, and SCDSS. Mr. Mark Binkley reported that with respect to parking, discussions have been held and an agreement is in draft form for the temporary use of agency property. He reported that efforts are ongoing to utilize proceeds from the Bull Street property for housing and introduced Michele Murff, the Department's Housing coordinator.</p>	



	<p>Ms. Murff reported that progress has been made to use the proceeds from the Bull Street property for housing. She has contacted for-profit and non-profit developers and there have been specific discussions about a project in Rock Hill, an area with a large need for client housing. Palmetto Health has also contacted Michele about their interest in a community care home type facility. The primary focus of her Office is on new integrated developments, primarily affordable apartments. The new apartment developments she envisions would have a maximum of 25% of the units designated for tenants with mental illnesses. Michele stated that her office is also looking at using some funds for the rehabilitation of existing developments that were funded by SCDMH fifteen (15) to twenty (20) years ago, especially in the rural areas of Bennettsville and Sumter. She noted that meetings have taken place with SCDMH Procurement staff to determine the best method to have flexibility in turning projects around quickly if we are approached by an interested developer. It was recommended that MMO handle the solicitation directly. Michelle also stated that it looks favorable that nationally, Congress may appropriate significant funding for a national housing trust fund. Such federal funds would be administered through the State Housing Authority, and meetings are scheduled with the State Housing Authority in the near future to discuss. She stated the minimum that would be awarded to each state under the current proposal would be \$3 million per year and the funds are restricted to those earning 30% of the median and less, which would fit with the patients we are serving.</p>	
❖ Hall Institute Open House	<p>Mr. Magill stated that following the May Commission Meeting on May 13, 2016, a ceremony will be held at Morris Village for the Department's Outstanding Employee Award and the Commission's Louise R. Hassenplug Award, to be followed by an Open House for the new William S. Hall Psychiatric Institute at Bryan Psychiatric Hospital.</p>	
❖ Financial Status Update	<p>Mr. Dave Schaefer called the Commission's attention to the monthly budget report and projections, and noted that there is a projected \$4 million deficit agency-wide as of January, 2016. He noted that revenues and expenditures for each Center have been adjusted; however, available onetime funding was not included in these projections. One-time funding is available, and will be utilized to finish the fiscal year in balance. The agency will not run a deficit. Nevertheless, all Centers and Facilities projecting a deficit are being required to submit plans and implement measures to avoid beginning fiscal 2017 out-of-balance between revenue and expenditures. Mr. Schaefer stated that the available onetime funding is a result of some Centers not spending all of the funds they were allotted the previous year.</p>	

	Mr. Magill stated that this year's budget request before the General Assembly is crucially important and we must also be watchful of revenue changes such as Medicaid, which could change our revenue forecast.	
❖ 6 Month Report of Collections	Mr. Kim Carter called the Commission's attention to the 6 Month Report of Collections included in their materials. Mr. Carter stated the report reflects monies that were collected by the Department through legal and involuntary means from July, 2015–December 2016. It was noted that approximately \$138,000 was collected thru the efforts of the Office of General Council and in coordination with the Reimbursement Office in Financial Services. Mr. Carter pointed out that while most of the agency's revenue from patient fees is derived from voluntary payments by or on behalf of patients, legal and involuntary collection measures to collect monies from patients who refuse to make payment arrangements are necessary in order to encourage and sustain voluntary payments. He stated the total number of files handled in the Legal Office was 1,565, and the focus in most cases is collecting monies owed by the Estates of deceased patients. However, he also reported that most of the overall funds collected involuntarily by the agency are received through intercepting State income tax refunds under a law called the Setoff Debt Collection Act, a process available only to governmental agencies. Kim explained that the employee category represents employees that may have left the Agency, or employees who are employed but have been overpaid.	
❖ Possible Inclusion of CMHC Services Under Medicaid Managed Care	Mark Binkley stated by way of background that DMH and DHHS, the State's Medicaid Agency, have historically had a partnership regarding Medicaid community mental health services. Such partnership began in the late 1980s and has resulted in the comprehensive array of community mental health services we have in South Carolina today. The Commission has previously been briefed about discussions ongoing between DMH and DHHS about one potential change to the way that Medicaid pays for the community mental health services, that being creating an integrated health home for the most seriously and persistently mentally ill adult population. Those adult patients who are most severely impacted by mental illness typically also have other chronic health problems. National statistics indicate individuals with schizophrenia die, on average, twenty-five (25) years earlier than the rest of the general population. This disparity is mostly attributed to their mental and physical health disorders not being managed in a coordinated manner.	

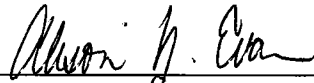
Mr. Binkley stated the Department has been in discussion for a couple years with DHHS about implementing a national model which would assist individuals with serious and persistent mental illness have their physical health issues identified and treated in a coordinated fashion. In February DHHS announced that a category of community mental health services entitled Rehabilitated Behavioral Health Services (RBHS) would be "carved into" -- added to the DHHS contracts -- of the current five (5) Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCOs), and the "carve in" date would be effective in July 1, 2016. Mr. Binkley stated staff subsequently learned as part of carving in RBHS services, DHHS is proposing to carve in all community mental health services, meaning that DMH mental health centers would be having to bill one of the MCOs, rather than DHHS, for services provided to most DMH patients who have Medicaid. He stated that agency management has significant concerns about the potential impact of a carve-in on the agency's community Medicaid revenue and its impact on patient's access to Center services. A meeting will be held with DMH, DHHS, and the five (5) MCOs to determine if SCDMH can meet the "carve in" deadline in July to have contracts in place with the five (5) separate entities. Mr. Binkley stated that some of the concerns that will be discussed are; what prior authorization requirements might be needed, what different pharmacy benefits might be offered by each of the managed care organizations, what number of the agency's patients will still be fee-for-service, and will the Department's billing process align with the billing process of the different managed care organizations. Mr. Binkley stated that it is unclear at this time, to what degree SCDMH will be impacted, but we are devoting a lot of time at the Senior Management/Director level to gather information, discuss and try to prepare for this enormous change. There is no evidence indicating SCDMH has been overproviding services, so it is our belief that DMH services should not be subject to prior authorization requirements for the first year.

Mr. Magill stated that he would like for SCDMH to host either a regional pilot or a specific population pilot in order to measure the impact the changes could have on the system as a whole and on agency finances, but at this time, South Carolina does not have approval to conduct one. He stated Geoff mason, Mark, Dr. Bank, Ligia, and Dave Schaefer have been meeting on a regular basis to discuss. Mr. Magill reported that Medicaid's deadline for the changes is July 1, 2016.

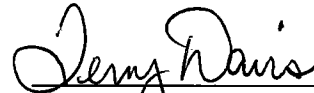
	<p>Mr. Geoff Mason stated Medicaid's plan is to set up five (5) workgroups to review issues such as credentialing, quality assurance, billing, prior authorizations, etc. He stated DMH, the MCOs, and DHHS will have representation involved in the workgroups to hopefully identify and work out agreements about all issues so that there will not be any significant negative impact on DMH Centers and patients. The work groups will report to a steering committee of Senior Staff of DHHS and DMH. Mr. Mason stated our primary concern is the impact these changes will have on our patients' access to necessary services and medications.</p>	
❖ SAMHSA Review	<p>Mr. Stewart Cooner reported that SCDMH receives yearly, upon approval of our application, an allocation of funds from the federal Community Mental Health Services Block Grant, which is a formula-based, non-competitive grant administered by the Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). He stated the current allocation to SCDMH is \$7.4 million per year and in order to receive the block grant funds, SCDMH must participate in periodic reviews of the entire mental health system. It was noted that historically, the review by SAMHSA is for SCDMH only, but this year DAODAS was also reviewed. Stewart stated that the combined review by SAMHSA took place during the week of February 22, 2016 and comprised of fiscal and programmatic reviews. Upon receipt of the draft report, we have thirty (30) days to comment and the final report will be issued in approximately six (6) months. Stewart expressed thanks for the extraordinary efforts by our Grants Administration staff.</p> <p>Mr. Geoff Mason stated that during the exit conference, SAMHSA staff stated that SCDMH being an integrated system, comprising a statewide network of community mental health centers, as well as psychiatric hospitals, works well to take care of our patients. SAMHSA had discussions with Community Mental Health Center client advisory groups via teleconferencing and received positive feedback from our clients regarding the quality of care they receive at the Mental Health Centers. Other positive areas noted by SAMHSA were: DMH Blue Ribbon Programs including Telepsychiatry, School-based services, the IPS vocational assistance program, and Deaf Services, especially in regards to how these programs are providing services even in the rural, poorer areas of the State. Mr. Mason stated SAMHSA's commendation on our collaboration with other State agencies. Areas identified by SAMHSA as needing improvement include; more programs are needed for youth in transition (ages of 18-25), more employment opportunities for clients, recruiting more Hispanic clinicians in the disparity areas, revising intake forms to include sexual orientation, and working more closely with clients in the substance abuse treatment system. Mr. Mason commended Stewart Cooner for his efforts in coordinating SAMHSA's visit.</p>	

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	Mr. Magill stated that Dr. Alison Evans, Chair, was presented with the President’s Award at the 2016 Cross Cultural Council Conference for her years of advocacy and service in mental health. Mr. Magill reported that the two year RAI statewide training has been completed, with the final training at Santee-Wateree last week. He noted that there meetings were held with Sumter County Council and Kershaw County Council and both meetings went well.		
ADJOURNMENT			
	<i>At 12:03 p.m., on a motion by Buxton Terry, seconded by Dr. Everard Rutledge, the Commission adjourned the Business Meeting and entered into executive session to discuss receiving legal advice concerning pending litigation involving the Agency, including claims of negligence, medical malpractice, and improper adverse employment actions. Upon convening in open session at 1:20 p.m., it was noted that only information was received; no votes or actions were taken.</i>		
ATTENDANCE			
❖ Commission Members	Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair Beverly Cardwell Everard O. Rutledge Sharon Wilson	Joan Moore, Vice Chair James Buxton Terry Bob Hiott	
❖ Staff/Guests	Anita Walburn Mark Binkley Beth Hook Rebecca Curry Bonnie Pate Geoff Mason Noelle Winston Brittany Spires Kimble Carter Dona Ayers Toni Sheridan John Magill	Melissa Taylor Tarah Brazell Rushing Lalwala Stewart Cooner Brenda Parker Lauri Hammond Vinson Rivers Gloria Prevost Irene Thornley Frances Johnson Patricia Handley Terry Davis	

**APPROVALS**



Alison Y. Evans, PsyD, Chair



Terry Davis, Recording Secretary

**S.C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION  
S.C. Department of Mental Health**

**C. M. Tucker, Jr., Nursing Care Facility  
2200 Harden Street  
Columbia, SC 29203  
(803) 737-5301**

**April 1, 2016  
Facility Presentation**

**Attendance:**

**Commission Members**

Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair  
Joan Moore, Vice Chair  
Everard Rutledge, PhD  
Beverly Cardwell

J. Buxton Terry  
Bob Hiott  
Sharon Wilson

**Staff/Guests:**

Robin Morgan  
Eric Jones  
Noelle Wriston  
Chaplain Charles Clary  
Mark Binkley

Louise Haynes  
Norma Jean Mobley  
Stacey Gardner  
John Magill  
Versie Bellamy

Frances Corley  
Nancy McCormick  
Dr. Nikia Anderson  
Terry Davis

The S.C. Mental Health Commission met at the C. M. Tucker, Jr., Nursing Care Facility on Friday, April 1, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. Dr. Evans expressed appreciation to the Facility for the courtesies extended to the Commission during its visit. Commissioner Evans then turned the meeting over to the Mrs. Frances Corley, Nursing Home Administrator of Roddey Pavilion.

**Presentations:**

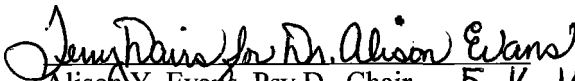
Dr. Nikia Anderson, Director of Psychology, gave a presentation on Dementia and how SCDMH is assisting residents to ensure a better quality of life for residents in all five (5) stages of the disease. Dr. Anderson stated that there is no cure for Dementia, but measures are taken by the facility and staff to create comfortable, secure surroundings for the residents. Dr. Anderson reported that the most common, typical symptoms of Dementia are memory loss, problems with speaking or communicating, problems focusing and judgment impairments, struggles with completing tasks, and comprehending what is seen. Prescription medications cannot reverse or stop the process of Dementia, but can improve the quality of life and may decelerate the progression.

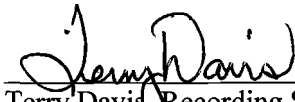
Stephanie Kemp-Pearson and Charlene Dreher gave a presentation entitled "The Life of the CNA". It was stated that certifications for CNAs must be renewed every two (2) years. Stephanie and Charlene stated two (2) of the qualities of successful CNAs are having a spirit of compassion and a willingness to help others. Stephanie stated residents should be treated with a smile, respect, kindness, and gentleness and she stressed the importance that staff members should realize that the facility may be the last home for many of our residents. Charlene commended SCDMH for the educational incentives offered to employees, as she was able to return to school and become an RN.

A presentation on Tucker Center was given by Mrs. Frances Corley and Ms. Norma Jean Mobley. It was stated that the majority of residents in Roddey and Stone Pavilions are residents of Richland County. The average stay of residents in Roddey Pavilion is 8.7 years and Stone Pavilion, 2.8 years. Norma Jean reported that the most prevalent diagnosis for Roddey Pavilion and Stone Pavilion is Dementia, followed by Alzheimer's at Stone Pavilion, and Schizophrenia at Roddey Pavilion. She also stated the age ranges at both facilities are: 62-96 at Stone Pavilion, and 37-91 at Roddey Pavilion. Norma Jean stated that one resident has resided in one of the facilities since 1970.

Dr. Evans thanked everyone for their excellent presentations.

There being no further discussion, the center presentation concluded at 10:02 a.m.

  
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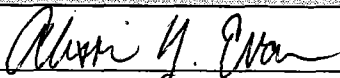
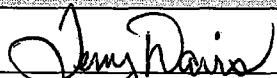


S. C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING  
SCDMH Administration, 2414 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201

CALL TO ORDER		
	<b>The April 1, 2016 meeting of the South Carolina Mental Health Commission was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by Dr. Alison Y. Evans, Chairperson, in Stone Pavilion Dining Room at the C. M. Tucker, Jr. Nursing Care Center, 2200 Harden Street, Columbia, SC. Chaplain Charles Clary provided the invocation.</b>	
APPROVAL OF AGENDA		
	<i>On a motion by Beverly Cardwell, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved the agenda for today's Business Meeting.</i>	
APPROVAL OF MINUTES		
	<p><i>Dr. Evans noted that a revision would be made to the March minutes to reflect the topic of the Executive Session. with that change,</i></p> <p><i>On a motion by Buxton Terry, seconded by Beverly Cardwell, the Commission approved the minutes from March 11, 2016.</i></p> <p><i>All voted in favor to the above motions; all motions carried.</i></p>	
MONTHLY/QUARTERLY INFORMATION REPORTS		
	<p>Mr. Mark Binkley, presented the items listed under Monthly/Quarterly Informational Reports. Of the twenty-eight (28) open cases on the SLED Patient Protection Report, fifteen (15) are being retained by SLED as potentially criminal; nine (9) non-criminal cases were referred to the State Long Term Care Ombudsman's Office (SLTCOO) in the Lt. Governor's Office on Aging; three (3) cases were referred to local law enforcement, and one (1) case, which is the oldest (opened January 2015) is being investigated by the Attorney General's Office alleging financial exploitation by a family member.</p> <p>There are no notable changes/trends in the Client Advocacy report.</p>	

DEPARTMENTAL OVERVIEW AND UPDATE		
❖ Norma Jean Mobley Recognition	<p>Ms. Versie Bellamy, assisted by Dr. Evans and Mr. Magill, presented Ms. Norma Jean Mobley with a Certificate of Appreciation for her outstanding and long service to SCDMH. Norma Jean began her career at C. M. Tucker, Jr. Nursing Home in 1995 as Staff Pharmacist, was promoted to Pharmacy Chief in 1997, and assumed the role of Nursing Home Administrator and Program Director of Roddey Pavilion in 2008. Under her administration, Roddey Pavilion experienced growth and development, receiving State and National recognition. Norma Jean stated that her career started and ended at SCDMH and expressed appreciation to her mentors and to the staff.</p>	
❖ Community Mental Health Statistical Report	<p>Ms. Stacey Gardner presented the Community Mental Health Statistical Report. She stated that the report reflects that the SCDMH Mental Health Centers are serving patients with less wait time and providing more services to children and adults. She reported that the billed hours for children and adults declined due to office closings resulting from the catastrophic flooding in October. Ms. Gardner reported that the average productivity for all centers for the first two (2) quarters of 2016 was slightly below the standard of 780 hours. However, the average for all of the centers for the month of February, 2016 was approximately 863, reflecting an upward trend and increased productivity following the recovery. She stated that the numbers included in the report are gathered monthly by comparing the number of delivered hours to the number of expected hours.</p> <p>Mr. Magill commended the percentage increase of intakes meeting access standards (statewide average).</p>	
❖ Bull Street Update	<p>Mr. Magill stated that opening night for the Columbia Fireflies Stadium is April 14, 2016 and two (2) church services will be held in the stadium prior to opening night. Mr. Magill stated that community visitation of the stadium is being encouraged to enhance the retail businesses.</p> <p>Mr. Mark Binkley stated that the Developer has no plans at this time to purchase additional buildings. He reported that an article in December stated there could potentially be up to 85 (eighty-five) new businesses located in the retail area near the stadium. Mr. Binkley stated that a new road has been constructed, providing direct entrance into the stadium from Colonial Drive. He stated that he has been involved in discussions with the City of Columbia regarding the need for temporary parking for the stadium due to parking garages not being completed. As a result of the discussions, an agreement is being finalized for the utilization of temporary parking on the properties of SCDMH, SCDHEC, and SCDSS.</p>	

❖ Financial Status Update	Ms. Noelle Wriston stated that the \$4 million agency-wide deficit that was previously projected, will be offset by the allocation of non-recurring funding, generating a surplus of approximately \$ 1.8 in fiscal 2016. She reported that all Centers are working to ensure budgets align with revenue.	
❖ Legislative Update	Mr. Mark Binkley stated that the agency's budget request presentation to the subcommittee of the Senate Finance Committee was well received. He stated that while the Department's budget request did not yield firm commitments, he is hopeful SCDMH will receive additional funding in the Senate.	
❖ Medicaid Carve-In Update	Mr. Mark Binkley stated that SCDMH is the largest statewide provider of mental health services and preparations are being made for Medicaid's carve-in plans for community mental health services. He stated that SCDMH's major concern is that the carve-in occur without adverse effects on access to services needed by patients. Mr. Binkley stated that the SCDMH IT staff is presently working to identify the number of current SCDMH patients in MCOs and fee-for-service, as well as what changes will be necessary for billing SCDMH services. He reported most of SCDMH patients are under MCOs for physical health and pharmacy, and medications prescribed by SCDMH are covered by the MCOs. Mr. Binkley stated it is our hope to negotiate for as few prior authorizations for services as possible, so that access to SCDMH community mental health centers remains easy for patients.	
❖ Senate Oversight Hearing; LAC Report	Mr. Magill reported the Senate Oversight Hearing attended by SCDMH was brief. He also stated that LAC and Senate Oversight Reports were complimentary and have been made public. Mr. Magill stated that copies of the reports can be requested by Commission Members.	
❖ Schedule for Outstanding Employee/Louise R. Hassenplug Award Ceremonies and Hall Open House	Mr. Magill stated that following the May Commission Meeting on May 13, 2016, a ceremony will be held at Morris Village at 1:00 p.m. for the Department's Outstanding Employee Award and the Commission's Louise R. Hassenplug Award. Following, at 2:30 p.m., there will be an Open House Ceremony for the new William S. Hall Psychiatric Institute at Bryan Psychiatric Hospital. He stated that invitations to tour the new facility will be mailed to advocates, elected officials, media, and Board Chairs. He asked the Commission Members to advise of any names to be added to the invitation list.	

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	<p>Mr. Magill stated that the recent Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) review of our Federal Block Grant went well and it is expected that we will receive a favorable report. After learning of SCDMH's response to the AME Church shootings from the SAMHSA audit team, Ms. Stephanie McCladdie, Regional SAMHSA Administrator, visited our office for a presentation of the agency's Disaster Preparedness Program. Mr. Magill stated that art pieces from our 2016 Art Recovery Program will be displayed at Piccolo Spoleto, Circular Congregational Church, and at the Low Country Mental Health Conference in Charleston.</p> <p>Ms. Versie Bellamy introduced Mr. Ted Jones, the new Administrator of Roddey Pavilion. She stated that Mrs. Frances Corley will be focusing on contracting areas and Mr. Robert Morgan would be serving as the Interim Administrator of Stone Pavilion.</p>		
ADJOURNMENT			
	<p><i>At 11:03 a.m., on a motion by Joan Moore, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission adjourned.</i></p>		
ATTENDANCE			
❖ Commission Members	Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair Beverly Cardwell Dr. Everard O. Rutledge Sharon Wilson	Joan Moore, Vice Chair James Buxton Terry Bob Hiott	
❖ Staff/Guests	John Magill Terry Davis Mark Binkley Versie Bellamy Robert Morgan Louise Haynes Chaplain Charles Clary	Frances Corley Eric Jones Nancy McCormick Noelle Wriston Stacey Gardner Norma Jean Mobley	
APPROVALS			
	 Alison Y. Evans, PsyD, Chair	 Terry Davis, Recording Secretary	

**S. C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING**  
**SCDMH Administration, 2414 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201**  
**May 13, 2016**

<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>		
	The May 13, 2016 meeting of the South Carolina Mental Health Commission was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Dr. Alison Y. Evans, Chairperson, in Conference Room 320 at the SC Department of Mental Health Administration Building, 2414 Bull Street, Columbia, SC. Mr. Jeff Ham provided the invocation.	
<b>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</b>		
	<i>On a motion by Buxton Terry, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved the agenda for today's Business Meeting.</i>	
<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</b>		
	<p><i>On a motion by Beverly Cardwell, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved the minutes from the Center Presentation on April 1, 2016.</i></p> <p><i>On a motion by Buxton Terry, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved the minutes from the Business Meeting of April 1, 2016.</i></p> <p><i>All voted in favor to the above motions; all motions carried.</i></p>	
<b>MONTHLY/QUARTERLY INFORMATION REPORTS</b>		
	Ms. Rochelle Caton presented the items listed under Monthly/Quarterly Informational Reports, copies of which had been provided to the Commission.	
❖ Quarterly Community Operational Measures	Ms. Stacey Gardner presented the Community Mental Health Statistical Report. She stated that the current report reflects positive changes, with the access numbers continuing to improve. Ms. Gardner reported that collaborative documentation numbers are expected to increase due to the focused training that was provided to the clinical staff.	
<b>DEPARTMENTAL OVERVIEW AND UPDATE</b>		
❖ Recognition of Former Commission Vice Chair, Joan Moore and Plaque Presentation	<p>Dr. Alison Evans and Mr. Magill presented a plaque to Ms. Joan Moore, former Vice Chair. Appreciation was expressed for the years of dedicated service as Vice Chair of the Commission.</p> <p>Mr. Magill thanked Ms. Moore for her years of service and noted her exceptional assistance and insight for the mission of SCDMH.</p>	

S. C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING  
MAY 13, 2016

❖ Introduction of Commissioner Louise Haynes	<p>Ms. Moore expressed her pleasure in serving as Vice Chair of the Commission and thanked everyone who has dedicated his/her life to helping individuals with mental illnesses.</p> <p>Dr. Evans introduced and welcomed the newest Commission Member, Mrs. Louise Haynes.</p>	
❖ Legislative Update	<p>Ms. Rochelle Caton discussed the status of several of the bills described in the May 2, 2016 SCDMH "Legislative News", which was provided to the Commission.</p>	
❖ Bull Street Update	<p>Mr. Magill stated that the Fireflies' Opening Night of baseball was successful and well attended. He reported that the Developer has reached a preliminary agreement for the sale of the Babcock Building and is additionally negotiating with a developer to construct a small boutique hotel on the premises.</p>	
❖ Hall Institute Open House	<p>Mr. Magill stated that following today's Commission Meeting, a ceremony will be held at Morris Village for the Department's Outstanding Employee Award and the Commission's Louise R. Hassenplug Award, to be followed by an Open House for the new William S. Hall Psychiatric Institute at Bryan Psychiatric Hospital.</p>	
❖ Financial Status Update	<p>Mr. Dave Schaefer highlighted certain information on the SCDMH Financial Report, dated March 31, 2016, which was provided to the Commission. Mr. Schaefer also referenced the Budget Update in the "Legislative News".</p> <p>Mr. Magill stated that negotiations for designing/building/operating the Sexually Violent Predators Treatment Program pursuant to the Request for Proposals were ongoing. He stated that the proposal would be added to the Joint Bond Review Committee Meeting Agenda scheduled for August, 2016.</p>	
❖ Approval of Easements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Roads to City of Columbia</li> </ul>	<p>Mr. Alan Powell presented approval requests for two (2) easements, copies of which had been provided to the Commission.</p> <p><b><i>On a motion by Buxton Terry, seconded by Beverly Cardwell, the Commission approved the request to grant an easement to the City of Columbia for Faison Drive, Beckman Road, and Jessamine Street.</i></b></p>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Bus Shelter Pad to City Bus Service</li> </ul>	<p><b><i>On a motion by Sharon Wilson, seconded by Beverly Cardwell, the Commission approved the request to grant an easement to Comet to provide a new bus shelter in front of the SCDMH Administration Building.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>All voted in favor to the above motions; all motions carried.</i></b></p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Approval of Medical Care Account Waiver</li> </ul>	<p>Mr. Alan Powell presented an approval request for the waiver of a patient's outstanding balance of \$ 40,672.50, a copy of which had been provided to the Commission.</p> <p><b><i>On a motion by Buxton Terry, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved the request to grant a medical waiver to waive the patient's outstanding balance.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>All voted in favor to the above motion; all motions carried.</i></b></p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Suicide Prevention Grant</li> </ul>	<p>Mr. Magill stated that SCDMH received a large grant to establish a comprehensive suicide prevention plan for the State of South Carolina.</p> <p>Ms. Louise Johnson gave a presentation on the South Carolina Youth Suicide Prevention Initiative Program. The program focuses on youth and young adults between the ages of 10 and 24. A chart included in the presentation shows a steady increase in the number of suicide attempts from 2010 – 2014, with South Carolina being above the national average. Ms. Johnson stated that in the next three (3) to six (6) months, an Open House will be planned and four (4) Regional Suicide Coordinators will be hired. The suicide reduction goal for the program is 20%, but all are hopeful the reduction percentage will be much higher.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Palmetto Gold Awards</li> </ul>	<p>Ms. Versie Bellamy stated that National Nurses Week was recognized the week of May 6, 2016 through May 12, 2016. She reported that Palmetto Gold, which was founded fifteen (15) years ago, is an organization that recognizes the top one hundred (100) nurses in South Carolina each year. The Palmetto Gold Awards are based on commitment to excellence in nursing practice and the profession of nurses. Ms. Bellamy recognized three (3) nurses from DMH Inpatient Services as recipients of the Palmetto Gold Award: Algie Bryant, Natasha Davis, and Kevin Busby.</p>	

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## ADJOURNMENT

*At 11:33 a.m., on a motion by Sharon Wilson, seconded by Beverly Cardwell, the Commission adjourned the Business Meeting and entered into executive session to receive legal advice concerning a compliance issue which relates to the contract between DMH Mental Health Centers and entities which provide Medication and Patient Assistance Program services. Upon convening in open session at 12:24 p.m., it was noted that only information was received; no votes or actions were taken.*

## ATTENDANCE

### ❖ Commission Members

Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair  
Beverly Cardwell  
Sharon Wilson

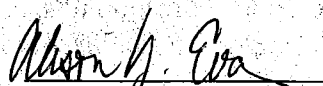
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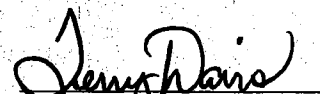
### ❖ Staff/Guests

John Magill  
Kevin Busby  
Patricia Handley  
Jeffery Ham  
Stacey Gardner  
Gloria Prevost

Louise Johnson  
Algie Bryant  
Natasha Davis  
Dr. Angela Forand  
Dona Ayers

## APPROVALS

  
Alison Y. Evans  
PsyD, Chair

  
Terry Davis  
Recording Secretary



**S.C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION  
S.C. Department of Mental Health**

**Hosted by:**

**Anderson – Oconee – Pickens Mental Health Center**

**Presentation Location:**

**Daybreak Recovery Center  
515B Camson Road  
Anderson, SC 29625**

**June 3, 2016  
Facility Presentation**

**Attendance:**

**Commission Members**

Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair  
Bob Hiott  
Everard Rutledge, PhD

Beverly Cardwell  
Sharon Wilson  
Louise Haynes

**Staff/Guests:**

Roger Fletcher  
Dean Tollison  
Sherry Hall  
Michelle Ready  
Dr. Kimberly Rudd  
Hope Campbell  
Hope Threadgill

Dianne Graham  
Tim Watt  
Bob Nash  
Ligia Latiff-Bolet  
Versie Bellamy  
Dr. Theresa Bishop  
Susan Morgan

Pam Garrison  
Tracy Richardson  
Ethel Pettigrew  
Mark Binkley  
Alan Powell  
Roger Williams  
Kevin Hoyle

The S.C. Mental Health Commission met at the Daybreak Recovery Center on Friday, June 3, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. Dr. Evans expressed appreciation to the Facility for the courtesies extended to the Commission during its visit. Commissioner Evans then turned the meeting over to Mr. Kevin Hoyle, Executive Director of Anderson–Oconee–Pickens Mental Health Center.

**Presentations:**

Ms. Tracy Richardson, Community Services Manager, gave a presentation on the Housing Initiative Program. She stated that the Anderson-Oconee-Pickens Mental Health Center is dedicated to providing innovative housing options to clients to improve their access to affordable housing within the community. Once clients are ready to move from the supervised apartments into the community, they are placed in the 70/30 Housing Program, with assistance from the partnerships that have been formed with apartment complexes and real estate agencies. Ms. Richardson reported that under the 70/30 Housing Program, the Mental Health Center assists with 70% of the client's rent, and the client pays 30%. She stated that there are presently thirty-nine (39) clients receiving direct housing assistance and the main goal is to help the clients maintain in the community. Care Coordination is working to locate housing for ten (10) more clients. The ACT-Like Program "wraps" the clients in services to assist them in improving and/or maintaining independence/functioning in the community.

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**MONTHLY/QUARTERLY INFORMATION REPORTS**

Mr. Mark Binkley presented the items listed under Monthly/Quarterly Informational Reports, copies of which had been provided to the Commission.

**DEPARTMENTAL OVERVIEW AND UPDATE**

❖ **HPH/AOP/AnMed  
Emergency Admission  
Collaboration**

Information was presented regarding the initiatives SCDMH is involved in.

Mr. Kevin Hoyle stated that relationships have been established with three (3) hospitals to jointly fund a position that provides services to the Center and the hospitals. He stated that the staff person facilitates the process for patients transitioning to the Center for treatment and also diverts patients from Inpatient admission, when possible. Mr. Hoyle stated that the no-show rate for the month of April has reduced to 50%. He stated that a group has been recently been formed to seek local crisis unit funding and meetings are in progress.

Ms. Hope Campbell of AnMed stated that the partnership between AnMed and Anderson-Oconee-Pickens Mental Health Center is both innovative and successful. Ms. Campbell acknowledged the assistance of Mr. John Fletcher in developing the partnership. She stated that a contract is in place with SCDMH for Telepsych Services, primarily for adolescents and children.

Mr. John Fletcher stated that systems are in place to provide continued care for patients requiring chronic care. He stressed the importance of developing and maintaining relationships as key to developing the partnerships which made the collaboration successful.

Dr. Theresa Bishop stated that discussions have taken place to improve the transition of patients into CRCFs (community residential care facilities). She stated that regulatory requirements necessitate that patients be moved quickly.

Mr. John Magill acknowledged AnMed's CEO, Mr. Bill Manson, and Senior Management, for exceptional leadership in partnering with SCDMH for improved patient care and service to the community.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ IAP – Resolution:</li> <li>❖ SVPTP Bldg. Financing</li> </ul>	<p>Mr. Mark Binkley presented an Issue Action Paper regarding the possibility of entering into a contract for the private operation of the Sexually Violent Predator Treatment Program (SVPTP), copies of which had been provided to the Commission. Mr. Binkley requested approval from the S. C. Mental Health Commission to submit a Commission Resolution requesting the State Fiscal Accountability Authority to approve public financing for the proposed new building.</p> <p><i>On a motion by Louise Haynes, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved a Resolution by the Commission requesting the State Fiscal Accountability Authority to approve public financing for a new building for the Sexually Violent Predator Treatment Program.</i></p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Bull Street Update</li> </ul>	<p>Mr. Mark Binkley stated that the City of Columbia has begun construction of a park located on the nineteen (19) acres that was previously sold to the City by SCDMH. Mr. Binkley stated that there are plans by the Developer to break ground for the retail area this year, and it is expected that there will be numerous retailers participating. He stated that SCDMH has received approximately \$ 4.4M of the original \$ 15M, and approximately fifty (50) acres of the original one hundred sixty-five (165) acres have been transferred. Mr. Binkley stated that for sales occurring after December 31, 2016 on the original one hundred sixty-five (165) acres, SCDMH will receive a portion of the profit on sales to third parties.</p> <p>Mr. Magill stated that the Developer has plans to construct the Third Base Building soon and the Developer is confident that the Babcock Building will be sold in the near future.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Financial Status Update</li> </ul>	<p>Mr. Mark Binkley highlighted certain information on the SCDMH Financial Report, dated April 30, 2016, copies of which had been provided to the Commission.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Legislative Update</li> </ul>	<p>Mr. Mark Binkley emphasized several areas of the "Legislative News", copies of which had been provided to the Commission. He stated that the General Assembly adjourned on June 2, 2016, but will be returning in June to review vetoed items.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Bi-Annual Compliance Program Report</li> </ul>	<p>Dr. Ligia Latiff-Bolet reported that the Federal Government wants to ensure that compliance programs are effective. Dr. Latiff-Bolet stated that a revised Compliance Plan is ready for approval, and that indicators will be in place to measure the effectiveness of the program in the areas of quality, claims, and contracts. She reported that Quality Assurance Audits for Inpatient Services</p>	

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	<p>were above ninety-six (96) percent. Dr. Latiff-Bolet reported that nine (9) Community Mental Health Centers were audited in the past six (6) months. Eight (8) Centers had accuracy rates for documentation of over ninety (90) percent and seven (7) Centers had clinical accuracy rates of over ninety (90) percent.</p>	
<p>❖ Update on Community Mental Health Services Carve-In</p>	<p>Dr. Robert Bank stated there will be approximately forty-six (46) percent of adults and ten (10) percent of adolescents that will not be under Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) and will remain fee-for-service. He stated that weekly meetings between the five (5) MCOs, HHS, and DMH have been taking place for approximately three (3) months. Dr. Bank reported that rates will remain the same for the first contract year and a uniform preauthorization form will be used. Preauthorization forms that are submitted will also serve as the quarterly summaries. He stated that for clinical services, only psychotherapy will be subject to prior authorization by three (3) of the MCOs, and then only after twelve (12) visits per year.</p> <p>Mr. Mark Binkley stated that it is expected that contracts with the MCOs will be signed by July 1, 2016.</p>	
<p>❖ Announcements</p>	<p>Mr. Magill stated that the State Auditors have completed a seven (7) week visit and favorable results are expected. He noted that SCDMH has had visits from Legislative Audit Council, Senate Oversight Council, and State Auditors in the past twelve (12) months, all with minimal to no findings. Mr. Magill stated that Protection and Advocacy and the S. C. Department of Corrections have reached a settlement and as a result, the S. C. Department of Corrections will significantly enhance mental health services for inmates by building additional facilities and increasing the number of staff. Mr. Magill stated that he and Ms. Debbie Blalock have been invited to present at the NASMHPD Meeting in August. The topic for the presentation will be Crisis Response, featuring the Center's response after the Emanuel AME Church shooting. Mr. Magill stated that he and Ms. Blalock may also be presenting at a Regional SAMHSA meeting.</p>	

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**ADJOURNMENT**

	<p><i>At 11:40 a.m., on a motion by Beverly Cardwell, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission adjourned.</i></p>	
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**ATTENDANCE**

❖ Commission Members	Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair Beverly Cardwell Sharon Wilson	Joan Moore, Vice Chair James Buxton Terry Louise Haynes	
❖ Staff/Guests	Roger Fletcher Dean Tollison Sherry Hall Michelle Ready Dr. Kimberly Rudd Hope Campbell Hope Threadgill Dianne Graham Tim Watt Bob Nash Ligia Latiff-Bolet	Versie Bellamy Dr. Theresa Bishop Susan Morgan Pam Garrison Tracy Richardson Ethel Pettigrew Mark Binkley Alan Powell Roger Williams Kevin Hoyle	

**APPROVALS**

	<p><i>Terry Davis for 7-8-16</i>  <i>Dr. Alison Y. Evans</i>  <b>Alison Y. Evans</b>                  PsyD, Chair</p> <p><i>Terry Davis</i>  <b>Terry Davis</b>                  Recording Secretary</p>	
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**S. C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING**  
**SCDMH Administration, 2414 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201**  
**July 8, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER		
	<p>The July 8, 2016 meeting of the South Carolina Mental Health Commission was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Dr. Alison Y. Evans, Chairperson, in Conference Room 320 at the SC Department of Mental Health Administration Building, 2414 Bull Street, Columbia, SC. Dr. Everard Rutledge, Vice Chair, provided the invocation.</p>	
APPROVAL OF AGENDA		
	<p><i>On a motion by Bob Hiott, seconded by Buck Terry, the Commission approved the agenda for today's Business Meeting.</i></p>	
APPROVAL OF MINUTES		
	<p><i>On a motion by Dr. Everard Rutledge, seconded by Bob Hiott, the Commission approved the minutes from the Center Presentation on June 3, 2016.</i></p> <p><i>On a motion by Louise Haynes, seconded by Bob Hiott, the Commission approved the minutes from the Business Meeting of June 3, 2016.</i></p> <p><i>All voted in favor to the above motions; all motions carried.</i></p>	
ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS		
	<p>On a motion by Dr. Everard Rutledge and seconded by Bob Hiott, the Commission re-elected Alison Y. Evans, PsyD, as Chair. All voted in favor; the motion carried.</p> <p>On a motion by Bob Hiott and seconded by Buck Terry, the Commission elected Dr. Everard Rutledge as Vice Chair. All voted in favor; the motion carried.</p>	
MONTHLY/QUARTERLY INFORMATION REPORTS		
	<p>Mr. Mark Binkley presented the items listed under Monthly/Quarterly Informational Reports, copies of which had been provided to the Commission. He stated that an assault occurred in May involving two (2) patients, resulting in an investigation and the arrest of one patient.</p>	

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DEPARTMENTAL OVERVIEW AND UPDATE		
❖ Crisis Stabilization Unit	<p>Mr. Geoff Mason stated that approximately \$ 3.6M in funding was pledged to SCDMH by Health and Human Services (HHS) to establish a 24/7 crisis response program statewide for adults and adolescents. The program will provide triage by phone and then when necessary, provide onsite response by two (2) clinicians within sixty (60) minutes.</p> <p>Mr. Magill stated that future progress reports on the Crisis Response Program will be given periodically.</p>	
❖ Bull Street Update	<p>Mr. Mark Binkley stated that a nineteen (19) acre parcel was sold last year to the City of Columbia. He stated that the conversion of the property into a City park has begun. Mr. Binkley stated SCDMH has given approval for soil borings to be done on a thirty-eight (38) acre tract. Sales are anticipated in this area in the near future. It was stated that there have been no additional parcel sales since February, 2015.</p> <p>Mr. Magill stated that the Hall Institute was a separate sale and was not included in the original \$ 15M contract. He stated that a law firm has moved into the First Base Building and another business will be locating in the Parker Annex in the near future. The Bakery Building has been repurposed and will be ready for occupancy soon. Mr. Magill stated that there are plans for the construction of a boutique hotel on the grounds in the future.</p>	
❖ DMH Grants Activity/Ensor Trust Grant Funds	<p>Ms. Sandy Hyre stated that Ensor Trust was established through a donation and part of the agreement was that all funds expended must focus on research in the area of mental health. She stated that guidelines have been established for the staff to follow when submitting their grant proposals. All proposals for Ensor Grants must be reviewed and approved by SCDMH's Internal Research Committee, Mr. Magill, the Institutional Review Board (IRB), and the Grant Steering Committee. Ms. Hyre stated that are currently four (4) research projects that have been funded by Ensor: Suicide Intervention Program (83 clients involved), Sleep Apnea (Bryan Hospital), Evaluation of SCDMH's School Based Services (conducted by USC), and the Latino Mental Health in SC project. She stated that there have been approximately twenty (20) grants awarded to SCDMH since 2002. Ms. Hyre stated that SCDMH is affiliated with over fifty (50) institutions of higher education in South Carolina, and ten (10) institutions outside of South Carolina to provide assistance for participants in the Sexually Violent Predator Program.</p>	

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	Mr. Magill requested that Mr. Geoff Mason determine if a summary can be provided to Commissioner Bob Hiott to provide information regarding the School Based Services provided by SCDMH.	
❖ Report of the Governing Body Committee for Inpatient Facilities Meeting of April 13, 2016 and Approval of Minutes	<p>Ms. Versie Bellamy presented the Inpatient Facilities Governing Body Meeting minutes from the April 13, 2016 meeting, copies of which had been provided to the Commission. She stated that the State of South Carolina was commended by a Joint Commission surveyor for its decision to retain the child and adolescent hospital.</p> <p><i>On a motion by Buck Terry, seconded by Louise Haynes, the Commission approved the Governing Body Meeting minutes from the April 13, 2016 meeting.</i></p>	
❖ Financial Status Update	<p>Ms. Noelle Wriston highlighted certain information on the SCDMH Financial Report, dated May 31, 2016, which was provided to the Commission. She noted that the most significant change from April to May is the significant decrease in the expenditure projections.</p> <p>Mr. Magill stated that areas that should be closely monitored for the FY18 budget, are Forensics, The Sexually Violent Predator Program, and Long Term Care, which are mandated programs.</p>	
❖ Forensic Update	<p>Ms. Versie Bellamy stated that Forensic Treatment Services are inpatient services and the Forensic Evaluation Services (FES) are outpatient services. She stated that SCDMH is in compliance with the Outpatient Evaluation requirements. Ms. Bellamy stated that twenty-four (24) patients were admitted and twenty-four (24) were discharged over a four (4) week period. It was noted that at this same time in 2015, for a four (4) week period, thirteen (13) patients were admitted, and ten (10) were discharged. She stated that there are two hundred eighteen (218) inpatient beds in the Forensic Treatment Services Program. Ms. Bellamy stated that there are approximately one thousand (1,000) outpatient evaluations done each year.</p> <p>Mr. Magill stressed the importance of the contracts with MUSC and USC to assist SCDMH with the Forensic Programs.</p>	
❖ Update on Community Mental Health Services Carve-In	Mr. Mark Binkley stated that, with the assistance of S. C. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), SCDMH has signed contracts with the five (5) MCOs, effective July 1, 2016. He stated that the rates supported by HHS for SCDMH services	



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	<p>were satisfactory. Mr. Binkley stated that training is being conducted in SCDMH Centers regarding the requirements that must be met for preauthorized services. He stated that a uniform prior authorization form has been approved for use with all of the MCOs. It was noted that HHS has agreed to advance the equivalent of approximately three (3) months of revenue to SCDMH, to ensure cash flow during the transition.</p> <p>Mr. Geoff Mason stated that Roger Williams reviewed the services that were provided by Mental Health Centers last year. In a comparison with the projected services for the upcoming year with the rate increases, a positive outcome is expected.</p>	
<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		
	<p>Mr. Magill stated that a Blue Ribbon Presentation will be held in July, which will feature approximately ten (10) SCDMH programs. SCDMH has received the rough draft of the State Auditor's Report, which was conducted over a seven (7) week period, with positive results. Mr. Magill stated that he and Debbie Blalock will attend a national meeting in Washington, presenting South Carolina's Organized System for Disaster Response. The historical information will be presented by Mr. Magill and Debbie Blalock will be giving a presentation on the Emanuel AME shooting response. Mr. Magill stated that ER Telepsychiatry will be expanding, with the addition of between three (3) and six (6) additional hospitals. As a result of SCDMH contracting with TeleHealth Alliance, funds will be received by SCDMH and six (6) additional rural hospitals will be added. Mr. Magill projects that in the next year, ER Telepsychiatry will be housed in approximately fifty percent (50%) of the ERs in the State of South Carolina.</p>	

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**ADJOURNMENT**

*At 11:53 a.m., on a motion by Bob Hiott, seconded by Buck Terry, the Commission adjourned.*

**ATTENDANCE**

❖ Commission Members

Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair  
Louise Haynes  
Bob Hiott

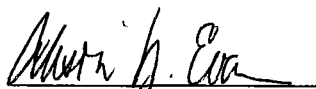
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Chair  
James Buck Terry

❖ Staff/Guests

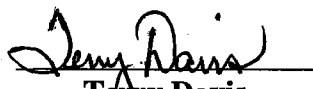
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Bonnie Pate  
Versie Bellamy  
Geoff Mason  
Valarie Perkins

**APPROVALS**



**Alison Y. Evans  
PsyD, Chair**



**Terry Davis  
Recording Secretary**

**S.C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION**  
**S.C. Department of Mental Health**

**Columbia Area Mental Health Center**  
**2715 Colonial Drive**  
**Columbia, SC 29203**

**August 5, 2016**

**Facility Presentation**

**ATTENDANCE:**

***Commission Members:***

Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair  
Everard Rutledge, PhD, Vice Chair  
Sharon Wilson  
Louise Haynes

J. Buxton Terry  
Bob Hiott  
Beverly Cardwell

***Staff/Guests:***

David Jameson  
John Hutto  
Eugene Green  
Jennifer Butler  
Sheila Arnold  
Joyce Davis  
Mark Binkley  
Dr. Kimberly Rudd  
Bill Lindsey

John Hayes  
Geoff Mason  
Ken Childs  
Rhonda Sims  
Margaret Scott  
Alexis Small  
Gloria Prevost  
Versie Bellamy  
Jerry Pate

Linda Jefferson  
Denise Morgan  
Dr. Robert Bank  
Marvin Bryant  
Carolyn Baldwin  
Emily Barnhill  
Alan Powell  
Kenneth Childs

The S.C. Mental Health Commission met at the Columbia Area Mental Health Center on Friday, August 5, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. Dr. Evans expressed appreciation to the Facility for the courtesies extended to the Commission during its visit. Commissioner Evans then turned the meeting over to Dr. Robert Bank, the Executive Director of the Columbia Area Mental Health Center.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

Ms. Denise Morgan, Director of Operations for Adult Clinics, gave a presentation on Emergency Services and how SCDMH provides priority care to adults with serious and persistent mental illnesses. The Emergency Services Unit is comprised of three (3) RNs, one (1) LPN, three (3) Mental Health Counselors (one of whom is assigned to Palmetto Health Richland Emergency Department), two (2) Administrative Specialists, and one (1) psychiatrist (always on site). Ms. Morgan stated that Emergency Services provides services during weekdays from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, with face-to-face psychiatric screenings, assessments, and referrals, as well as after-hours telephone screenings. It was noted that since 2005, the Columbia Area Mental Health Center has worked in collaboration with Richland Springs, Lexington/Richland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council (LRADAC), and USC School

of Medicine to provide evaluations and treatment for patients in the Palmetto Health Richland Emergency Department. Guidelines for Referral to Emergency Services from the Community are as follows:

- One has reason to believe the person has a chronic and severe mental illness such as, schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, bipolar disorder major depression, etc.
- The individual has evidence of severe impairment in the ability to function to the extent of needing prompt evaluation to avoid hospitalization.
- People who have co-occurring disorders (MI and substance abuse) will be evaluated to determine the extent of treatment that is needed.

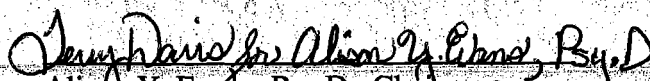
Ms. Morgan stated that Emergency Services primarily provides services to adults in crisis who are in need of screening, crisis intervention, stabilization, and referrals. She stated that intakes are provided for individuals that are referred from the Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center. It was reported that approximately seven (7) patients per month are referred from Morris Village due to major mental illnesses and addictions. The wait time for patients to be seen is approximately ninety (90) minutes, with priority being given to clients that are emergent and/or in crisis for possible hospitalization. Ms. Morgan stated that referrals are accepted from Palmetto Health Richland Emergency Department, Palmetto Health Baptist Emergency Department, local Urgent Care facilities, and Providence Hospital Emergency Department. She stated that the Columbia Area Mental Health Center follows many court-ordered cases and the legal process guidelines must be adhered to. It was reported that four hundred fifty-one (451) patients were scheduled from Emergency Services to Intake from January, 2016 through June, 2016. Ms. Morgan stated that Emergency Services offers Solution-Focused Therapy which encourages patients to identify areas in their lives that need to be changed.

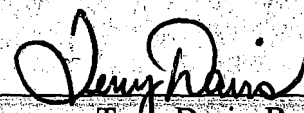
Ms. Joyce Davis, Nurse Administrator/Manager stated that the nurses at Emergency Services are able to identify many of the normal symptoms exemplified by elderly patients, as well as clinical symptoms. Ms. Davis stated that referrals are received from emergency rooms, detention centers, doctors' offices, the Crisis Line, and Urgent Care facilities. It was reported that the majority of the staff members at Emergency Services have at least seven (7) years of service with Emergency Services. She stated that patients can be seen on the same day they call into Emergency Services.

Mr. Magill commended the Columbia Area Mental Health Center for providing patient services to meet the needs of the community.

Dr. Evans thanked everyone for their excellent presentations.

There being no further discussion, the center presentation concluded at 9:48 a.m.

  
Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair  
SC Mental Health Commission  
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Terry Davis, Recording Secretary  
SC Mental Health Commission

# S. C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING

Hosted by:

Columbia Area Mental Health Center

2715 Colonial Drive

Columbia, SC 29201

August 5, 2016

## CALL TO ORDER

The August 5, 2016 meeting of the South Carolina Mental Health Commission was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by Dr. Alison Y. Evans, Chairperson, at the Columbia Area Mental Health Center. Mr. Marvin Bryant, Special Services Coordinator, provided the invocation.

## INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Dr. Evans welcomed Ms. Alexis Small, Program Manager and Recruiter from Liberty Healthcare. She also welcomed Mr. Kenneth Childs, Mr. Eugene Green, Mr. John Hays, Mr. John Hutto, III, Mr. David Jameson, Ms. Linda Jefferson, Mr. William Lindsey, Mr. Jerry Pate, and Ms. Margaret Scott, Columbia Area Mental Health Board Members.

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*On a motion by Sharon Wilson, seconded by Beverly Cardwell, the Commission approved the agenda for today's Business Meeting.*

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*On a motion by Buxton Terry, seconded by Louise Haynes, the Commission approved the Minutes from the Business Meeting of July 8, 2016.*

*All voted in favor to the above motions; all motions carried.*

## MONTHLY/QUARTERLY INFORMATION REPORTS

Mr. Mark Binkley presented the items listed under Monthly/Quarterly Informational Reports, copies of which had been provided to the Commission.

## DEPARTMENTAL OVERVIEW AND UPDATE

### ❖ Forensics Update

Ms. Versie Bellamy stated that an Action Plan has been developed for Forensics. She stated there has been a twenty-two percent (22%) decrease in the waitlist since March, 2016 and there have been enhanced collaborations with the community. Inpatient staff have visited detention centers to make assessments and efforts by the Community Mental Health Centers, under the supervision of Mr. Geoff Mason have helped to ensure all measures are being taken to provide defendants awaiting admission the best services possible. She

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	<p>stated that a Waitlist for Patient Movement Management Group has been formed to maximize the usage of beds to ensure that all available beds are being utilized. Ms. Bellamy stated that the Forensics capacity at the present time is two hundred eighteen (218) patients. It was noted that are currently one hundred eighty-four (184) sexually violent predators in the program and it is expected that there will be additions due to upcoming trials.</p> <p>Mr. Magill stated that approximately one thousand (1,000) Forensic outpatient evaluations are done each year.</p> <p>Mr. Geoff Mason stated that it was requested that Directors of the Community Mental Health Centers visit the local jails to offer assistance and treatment services to defendants awaiting admission. He stated that assessments are completed on those defendants in the jails and are submitted to Inpatient Services. Mr. Mason reported that SCDMH has contracts with some detention centers across the State, while other detention centers have private contractors that provide mental health services. He stated that are several initiatives in the Community to develop opportunities for more placements for Forensic patients who are no longer in need of hospitalization. Mr. Mason stated that it has been requested that Centers assess those of their patients residing in Community Residential Care Facilities (CRCFs) across the State, and whenever possible, move patients to a less restrictive level of care, in order to make more beds available for Forensics patients who are no longer in need of hospitalization.</p> <p>Mr. Alan Powell emphasized that reducing the waiting list for Forensics is a priority. He stated that eleven (11) issues have been identified and a group will be meeting monthly to resolve them. Mr. Powell stated that Ms. Monique Lee has met with, and will continue to meet with, local detention facility Administrators, local Solicitors, local Probate Courts, and Mental Health Centers in order to offer assistance. At the direction of Mr. Magill, Mr. Powell stated that quarterly meetings are being organized with the Probate Judges. A meeting with the Probate Judges is scheduled for August 12, 2016. Mr. Powell stated that the waitlist has been reduced by approximately twenty (20) in the past month.</p>	
<p>❖ Pharmacy Assistance Program (PAP) Update</p>	<p>Mr. Alan Powell stated a contract has been in place with mail order pharmacies to assist Mental Health Center patients who qualify obtain free medication from pharmaceutical manufacturers' pharmacy assistance programs (PAPs). Approximately ten percent (10%) of outpatients qualify for the Pharmacy Assistance Programs (PAPs), and with many psychiatric medications now being available as generics, the decision has been made to discontinue the contract as of August</p>	

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	<p>19, 2016. Mr. Powell stated that the advantage for SCDMH in discontinuing the contract is that it resolves a potential legal issue. The cancellation of the contract will not impact patient care, as Centers have made other arrangements to assist their qualified patients in applying to PAPs.</p>	
❖ Bull Street Update	<p>Mr. Mark Binkley stated that the next benchmark under the Contract is September 30, 2016, by which date the Buyer/Developer must pay SCDMH an additional \$ 941,000.00. He stated that there are currently two possible (2) closings of which SCDMH is aware. One of the closings is for the purchase of the road from Barnwell Street to the Bakery Building. Mr. Binkley stated that one third (1/3) of an acre will be sold to allow access to the Bakery Building. He stated that the other closing in the near future is likely a Student Housing Project.</p> <p>Mr. Magill stated that progress is being made on the development of apartments in the Babcock Building.</p>	
❖ Financial Status Update	<p>Mr. Mark Binkley highlighted certain information on the SCDMH Financial Report, dated June 30, 2016, copies of which had been provided to the Commission.</p>	
❖ Approval of Medical Care Account Waivers	<p>Mr. Alan Powell presented an approval request for the waiver of a patient's outstanding balance of \$ 362,234.31, a copy of which had been provided to the Commission.</p> <p><i>On a motion by Bob Hiott, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved the request to grant a medical waiver to waive the patient's outstanding balance.</i></p> <p>Mr. Alan Powell presented an approval request for the waiver of a patient's outstanding balance of \$ 700,067.13, a copy of which had been provided to the Commission.</p> <p><i>On a motion by Buck Terry, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved the request to grant a medical waiver to waive the patient's outstanding balance.</i></p> <p>Mr. Alan Powell presented an approval request for the waiver of a patient's outstanding balance of \$ 517,742.11, a copy of which had been provided to the Commission.</p> <p><i>On a motion by Dr. Rutledge, seconded by Louise Haynes, the Commission approved the request to grant a medical waiver to waive the patient's outstanding balance.</i></p> <p><i>All voted in favor to the above motions; all motions carried.</i></p>	

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<p>❖ Medicaid Carve-In Update</p>	<p>Dr. Robert Bank stated that there are still approximately thirty percent (30%) of SCDMH's patients in fee-for-service Medicaid. He stated that all of the five (5) MCOs require prior authorizations (PAs) for rehabilitation services. Dr. Bank stated that PA requests are being sent in a sequence to avoid sending all of them at the same time. He stated that therapists will soon be able to track remaining services available under the PAs, with units and sessions being counted. Dr. Bank stated that an outstanding issue related to billing is that, as payments are received by SCDMH, they must be identified and credited to the appropriate Centers. SCDMH remains uncertain as to whether the MCOs can remit payments in the manner that is needed. He stated that DHHS needs to continue to be involved in the process.</p> <p>Mr. Mark Binkley stated that some test claims are currently being processed to ensure the claims submitted by SCDMH are accurate. He reported that the test files appear to be successful and the next step will be to choose the claims from one (1) Mental Health Center and send them to the MCOs to determine if they can be paid successfully, before submitting claims from all Centers.</p>
<p>❖ Announcements</p>	<p>Mr. Magill commended the attendance of nine (9) of the Columbia Area Board Members at the Center Presentation and the Business Meeting and expressed his appreciation.</p> <p>Mr. Magill stated the following announcements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Sexually Violent Predator Program (RFP) will be presented to the Joint Bond Review Committee (JBRC) in September for approval.</li><li>• The Blue Ribbon Program was presented again since the last Commission Meeting. To date, there have been thirty-one (31) presentations and over one hundred (100) attendees have attended at least one of the sessions.</li><li>• The Lowcountry Mental Health Conference, sponsored by the Charleston/Dorchester Mental Health Center and Mental Health Heroes Foundation, was held in Charleston last week. There were approximately nine hundred fifty (950) registered for the Conference and stated the Conference was outstanding. The Lowcountry Mental Health Conference is believed to be the largest Mental Health Conference on the East coast, and it is anticipated that the attendance for 2017 will be approximately one thousand (1,000).</li><li>• Mr. Mark Binkley will request that Ms. Tracy LaPointe send notifications of upcoming conferences to the SCDMH Commission Members.</li></ul>



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Mr. Bill Lindsey stated that on August 20, 2016, the Annual National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) S. C. State Conference will be held at the Columbia Marriott.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*At 11:25 a.m., on a motion by Buck Terry, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission adjourned the Business Meeting and entered into executive session to receive legal advice concerning a compliance issue which relates to a waiting list for admission of criminal defendants ordered admitted by Courts of General Sessions and a personnel evaluation. Upon convening in open session at 12:28 p.m., it was noted that only information was received; no votes or actions were taken.*

**ATTENDANCE**

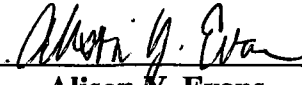
❖ Commission Members


Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair	Bob Hiott
Everard Rutledge, PhD, Vice Chair	James Buxton Terry
Beverly Cardwell	Louise Haynes
Sharon Wilson	

❖ Staff/Guests

David Jameson	Margaret Scott
John Hutto, III	Alexis Small
Eugene Green	Gloria Prevost
Jennifer Butler	Versie Bellamy
Sheila Arnold	Linda Jefferson
Joyce Davis	Denise Morgan
Mark Binkley	Dr. Robert Bank
Dr. Kimberly Rudd	Marvin Bryant
John Hayes	Carolyn Baldwin
Geoff Mason	Emily Barnhill
Ken Childs	Alan Powell
Rhonda Sims	Bill Lindsey
Jerry Pate	

**APPROVALS**

  
Alison Y. Evans  
PsyD, Chair

  
Terry Davis  
Recording Secretary

**S. C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING**  
**SCDMH Administration, 2414 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201**  
**September 9, 2016**

<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>		
	The September 9, 2016 meeting of the South Carolina Mental Health Commission was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Dr. Alison Y. Evans, Chairperson, in Conference Room 320 at the SC Department of Mental Health Administration Building, 2414 Bull Street, Columbia, SC. Stewart Cooner provided the invocation.	
<b>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</b>		
	<i>On a motion by Sharon Wilson, seconded by Beverly Cardwell, the Commission approved the revised agenda for today's Business Meeting.</i>	
<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</b>		
	<p><i>On a motion by Louise Haynes, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved the minutes from the Center Presentation on August 5, 2016.</i></p> <p><i>On a motion by Beverly Cardwell, seconded by Dr. Rod Rutledge, the Commission approved the minutes from the Business Meeting of August 5, 2016.</i></p> <p><i>All voted in favor to the above motions; all motions carried.</i></p>	
<b>MONTHLY/QUARTERLY INFORMATION REPORTS</b>		
	Mr. Mark Binkley presented the items listed under Monthly/Quarterly Informational Reports, copies of which had been provided to the Commission.	
<b>DEPARTMENTAL OVERVIEW AND UPDATE</b>		
❖ <b>Housing Initiatives Update</b>	Ms. Michele Murff stated that progress is being made on the new Bull Street Proceeds Housing Development Program, and that the Community Housing Program is a new rental assistance program that is sustained with State funding. Ms. Murff stated that earlier SCDMH Housing programs were discontinued due to budget cuts, but are being reinstated. She stated that the main focus is on low income tax credit developers that are already providing affordable housing. It was noted that the State Housing Authority administers the Low Income Tax Program for the State of S. C. and a roundtable is being conducted next week by the State Housing Authority. Ms. Murff stated SCDMH has been working with the State Housing Trust Fund, as well as with the National Housing Trust Fund, which are funded by Fannie May and	

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	<p>Freddie Mac proceeds. She stated that the choice of locations for proposed projects is very important, due to a vast majority of the patients living in poverty. She stated that the locations chosen for housing need to provide direct, easy access to the bus lines, the Mental Health Centers, and should afford convenient pharmacy and grocery shopping. She stated that there are currently approximately three hundred fifty (350) patients residing in rental assistance programs.</p>	
❖ <b>Art of Recovery Update</b>	<p>Ms. Tracy LaPointe stated that the Art of Recovery Program began in 2001, in collaboration with S. C. Share, as an anti-stigma program to showcase the talents of children and adults receiving psychiatric services from SCDMH with twelve (12) pieces of art. She stated that The Art of Recovery Program also highlights the role art can play in the recovery process, and since its inception in 2001, thousands of art pieces by hundreds of artists, from across the State of S. C. have been featured. A Committee has been formed and meets each quarter to discuss venue opportunities, funding, fundraising, and to approve purchases.</p> <p>Ms. Lindsay Walker stated that the artists that participate in The Art of Recovery range in talent and training, with art ranging from simple penciled drawings to complex oil paintings. Upon receipt of the artwork, SCDMH staff mat, frame, transport, and display the art pieces throughout the State and the artists receive all of the proceeds from artwork that is sold. When pieces of art are not traveling to exhibits, they are displayed on the walls at the SCDMH Central Office. She stated that in 2016, art was displayed at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The Protection Advocacy Gala Silent Auction, with eight (8) pieces being sold at the event.</li> <li>○ The NAMI Mid-Carolina Block Party</li> <li>○ The Piccolo Spoleto Festival in Charleston, with forty-two (42) pieces of art being sold.</li> <li>○ The Charleston Lowcountry Mental Health Conference, with twenty-one (21) pieces of art being sold.</li> </ul> <p>Ms. Walker stated that preparations are being made to participate in an exhibit at the S. C. Governor's School for Science and Mathematics in October, 2016. She stated that currently, there are approximately three hundred (300) pieces of artwork in The Art of Recovery Program, with over eighty (80) pieces being sold in 2016.</p>	
❖ <b>6 Month Report of Collections</b>	<p>Mr. Alan Powell presented the items listed under the 6 Month Report of Collections, copies of which had been provided to the Commission.</p>	

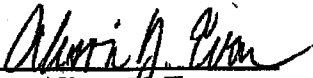

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<b>❖ Forensics Action Plan Update</b>	<p>Mr. Magill stated that Commission Vice-Chair, Dr. Everard Rutledge, is representing the Commission as a member of the Committee that was formed to implement the Forensics Action Plan. He stated that Mr. Mark Binkley and Mr. Alan Powell are composing the action details and goals.</p> <p>Mr. Mark Binkley stated that an updated version of the Forensics Action Plan will be completed by Monday, September 12, 2016. He stated that there has been a significant reduction in the Forensics waiting list since June, 2016.</p> <p>Mr. Geoff Mason stated there is a contract in place, to open an additional facility for Forensics clients in the Upstate, which will comprise of four (4), eight (8) bed homes.</p>	
<b>❖ SVP Treatment Program Update</b>	<p>Mr. Magill stated that a formal presentation will be made to the Joint Bond Review Committee (JBRC) next week, and to the Fiscal Authority in two (2) weeks. He stated that SCDMH has been in communication with the Governor and some members of the General Assembly in regards to the progress being made. Mr. Magill stated that he and Mr. Mark Binkley have met with members of the JBRC and the Fiscal Authority and feel confident in moving forward with the SVP Program requests. He stated that the proposed new facility will be under ownership of the Fiscal Authority.</p> <p>Mr. Mark Binkley stated that there have been collaborative efforts by the staff of SCDMH, S. C. Department of Corrections, the Department of Administration, the Treasurer's Office, the Fiscal Authority, and the JBRC.</p>	
<b>❖ Bull Street Update</b>	<p>Mr. Magill stated that the Spirit Communications Park, home of the Columbia Fireflies, was awarded "Ballpark Digest's Ballpark of the Year" for 2016.</p> <p>Mr. Mark Binkley presented information on an Issue Action Paper, copies of which had been provided to the Commission. Discussion followed.</p>	
<b>❖ Financial Status Update</b>	<p>Mr. Dave Schaefer highlighted certain information on the SCDMH Financial Report, dated July 31, 2016, copies of which had been provided to the Commission. He stated that additional Appropriated Funds have been received for the recent State employee increases, which covers approximately fifty percent (50%) of the costs. Regarding the Mental Health Centers, Mr. Schaefer stated that it is anticipated that thirty percent (30%) of</p>	

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	the claims will continue to go to Health and Human Services as fee for service Medicaid. It is also anticipated that seventy percent (70%) will flow through the MCO claims process. He reported that rate increases for inpatient services (hospitals and nursing homes) will go into effect on October 1, 2016. Mr. Schaefer stated that the most crucial concern at this time is that the receipt of revenue through the MCO process for billed services has not yet begun.	
❖ <b>Efforts to Assist DJJ</b>	Mr. Magill stated that he and Ms. Gloria Prevost will be meeting in an effort to assist SCDJJ with some of the issues involved in the placement of juveniles. He stated that HHS, DSS, and the Department of Education are also involved in the ongoing discussions. Mr. Magill stated that the main focus is on the continuation of community development of services for juvenile offenders.	
❖ <b>Approval of Issue Action Papers</b>	Mr. Alan Powell presented approval requests for two (2) Issue Action Papers, copies of which had been provided to the Commission.  <i>On a motion by Dr. Everard Rutledge, seconded by Ms. Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved the Issue Action Paper regarding SCVRD.</i>  <i>All voted in favor to the above motion; all motions carried.</i>  <i>On a motion by Ms. Louise Haynes, seconded by Mr. Bob Hiott, the Commission approved the Issue Action Paper regarding the City of Florence.</i>  <i>All voted in favor to the above motion; all motions carried.</i>	
<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		
	Mr. Magill stated that speaking engagements are being organized with Civic Clubs around the State, with the primary focus on the Catawba, Lake Wylie, and the Lowcountry areas. He stated that State Agencies have received a Notice Request from the Governor's Office, requesting that all State Agencies present a 2017 budget proposal plan that comprises a three percent (3%) reduction. The reduction proposal will be presented, along with the budget request. Mr. Magill stated that the Legislative Board Training is scheduled for October 14, 2016.	

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ADJOURNMENT		
	<i>At 11:55 a.m., on a motion by Dr. Everard Rutledge, seconded by Ms. Beverly Cardwell, the Commission adjourned the Business Meeting and entered into executive session to discuss receiving legal advice concerning pending litigation involving the Agency, including claims of negligence, medical malpractice, and improper adverse employment actions. Upon convening in open session at 1:25 p.m., it was noted that only information was received; no votes or actions were taken.</i>	
ATTENDANCE		
❖ Commission Members	Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair Louise Haynes Bob Hiott Beverly Cardwell	Dr. Everard Rutledge, Vice Chair Sharon Wilson
❖ Staff/Guests	John Magill Gloria Prevost Mark Binkley Lindsay Walker Tracy LaPointe Michele Murff	Alan Powell Geoff Mason Valarie Perkins Dr. Karen Swaim Dave Schaefer
APPROVALS		
	 Alison Y. Evans PsyD, Chair	 Terry Davis Recording Secretary

# **SOUTH CAROLINA MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION**

**Alison Evans, Psy.D. – *Chair***  
**Everard Rutledge, Ph.D. – *Vice Chair***  
**Beverly Cardwell**  
**Louise Haynes**  
**Robert Hiott**  
**J. Buxton Terry**  
**Sharon Wilson**

**John H. Magill**  
**State Director**



***October 7, 2016***

**Center Presentation and Meeting Location:**  
**Santee-Wateree Mental Health Center**  
**215 N. Magnolia Street**  
**Sumter, SC 29150**

**Center Presentation 9:00 AM**  
**Business Meeting: 10:15 AM**

**There was no October, 2016 meeting due to  
inclement weather**

**DMH** South Carolina  
Department of  
Mental Health

**S. C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING**  
**SCDMH Administration, 2414 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201**  
**November 4, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER		
	The November 4, 2016 meeting of the South Carolina Mental Health Commission was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Dr. Alison Y. Evans, Chairperson, in Conference Room 320 at the SC Department of Mental Health Administration Building, 2414 Bull Street, Columbia, SC. Jeff Ham provided the invocation.	
APPROVAL OF AGENDA		
	<i>On a motion by Buxton Terry, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved the agenda for today's Business Meeting.</i>	
APPROVAL OF MINUTES		
	<i>On a motion by Sharon Wilson, seconded by Beverly Cardwell, the Commission approved the minutes from the Business Meeting of September 9, 2016.</i>  <i>All voted in favor to the above motions; all motions carried.</i>	
APPROVAL OF 2017 COMMISSION MEETING DATES		
	<i>On a motion by Beverly Cardwell, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved the 2017 Commission Meeting dates.</i>  <i>All voted in favor to the above motions; all motions carried.</i>	
MONTHLY/QUARTERLY INFORMATION REPORTS		
	Mr. Mark Binkley presented the items listed under Monthly/Quarterly Informational Reports, copies of which had been provided to the Commission. He stated that there were three (3) employee terminations as a result of the investigations.	
DEPARTMENTAL OVERVIEW AND UPDATE		
❖ <b>Remarks from Ms. Janie Simpson, Chair, Planning Council</b>	Ms. Janie Simpson, Chair, Planning Council presented her personal account of mental illness and stated that her condition has been managed through the use of therapy, medications, and coping skills. Ms. Simpson expressed appreciation to Mr. Magill for setting a standard of acceptance, with the understanding that mental illness is a disease that is being fought by individuals, family members, clinicians, and advocates. She stated that she is honored to be affiliated with the SCDMH as part of the mission and passion for better mental illness outcomes. Ms. Simpson expressed her gratitude to Mr. Magill, Mr. Mark Binkley, Mr.	



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	Geoff Mason, and Mr. Stewart Cooner for their responses of encouragement and compassion. Mr. Geoff Mason commended Ms. Simpson for the work she has done as Chair of the State Planning Council.	
❖ <b>Approval of Issue Action Paper</b>	<p>Mr. Alan Powell presented an Issue Action Paper for a donation of land by the Friends of the Florence Stockade, copies of which had been provided to the Commission.</p> <p><i>On a motion by Buxton Terry, seconded by Beverly Cardwell, the Commission approved accepting the donation of land by the Friends of the Florence Stockade.</i></p> <p><i>All voted in favor to the above motion; all motions carried.</i></p>	
❖ <b>Report of the Inpatient Facilities Governing Body Meeting of July 13, 2016 and Approval of Minutes</b>	<p>Ms. Versie Bellamy presented the Inpatient Facilities Governing Body Meeting minutes from the July 13, 2016 meeting, copies of which had been provided to the Commission.</p> <p><i>On a motion by Louise Haynes, seconded by Buxton Terry, the Commission approved the Governing Body Meeting minutes from the July 13, 2016 meeting.</i></p>	
❖ <b>Community Mental Health Statistical Report</b>	Mr. Geoff Mason stated that a comparison of FY15 and FY16 indicates that improvements in access and productivity continue. An improvement of approximately twelve percent (12%) has been made in the percent of intakes meeting access standards, increasing the FY16 average to ninety-four percent (94%), which surpasses the current standard of ninety percent (90%). Mr. Mason stated that documentation is completed during the patients' visits. He noted that productivity increased slightly, and may have been impacted by the closing of facilities due to the aftermath of flooding in October, 2015 and Hurricane Matthew in 2016.	
❖ <b>Bull Street Update</b>	Mr. Mark Binkley stated that a parcel closing took place on September 29, 2016 for approximately 2.5 acres at the location of the Hall Cottages. He stated the Hall Cottages will be demolished in the next two (2) to three (3) months to allow the construction of an upscale, senior living center. Mr. Binkley stated that The First Base Building is currently occupied by a law firm and a medical practice. He stated that Parker Annex has been remodeled and is being used as an office building. Mr. Binkley stated that the Bakery Building has been remodeled and is being	

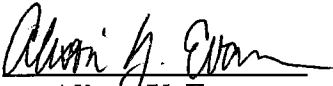

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	used as shared office spaces for entrepreneurs. Plans have been announced to convert approximately thirty-eight (38) acres along Bull Street into a large, retail area with office spaces located above. He stated that the Developer has agreed to purchase and donate sixteen (16) acres to the University of South Carolina as a future medical school campus.	
❖ <b>Financial Status Update</b>	<p>Mr. Dave Schaefer stated that adjustments have been made to the forecast with State appropriations for the employee general increases and with Medicaid revenue, due to the rate increases for inpatient facilities. He stated that the primary concerns involve MCO billing and two (2) categories of rejections. Mr. Schaefer stated that the first category of rejection involves agreements that were made with HHS, SCDMH, and the MCOs regarding billing issues and ensuring that SCDMH billing is handled differently than billing for private providers. It was noted that the second category of rejections pertains to NCCI edits, with the billing for same-day services being rejected. He stated that HHS is working with CMS to possibly develop a waiver or to deactivate edits in the billing process. Mr. Schaefer stated that the IT Department is working on developing a modifier for processing some of the unpaid claims.</p> <p>Mr. Magill stated that he is optimistic that the transitioning issues will be resolved within six (6) to twelve (12) months.</p>	
❖ <b>Update on Sexually Violent Predator Treatment Program</b>	Mr. Mark Binkley stated that all approvals have been received from the Joint Bond Review Committee (JBRC) and the State Fiscal Accountability Authority (SFAA) for the RFP. He stated that a transition process has begun with Correct Care Recovery Solutions and it is expected that the transitioning process will be completed by December 1, 2016. Mr. Binkley stated that bonds will be issued by the State to generate funds to construct the new facility, which will be located on Broad River Road. A meeting has been held with Correct Care Recovery Solutions and their design/construction team. The estimated completion date of the new facility is September, 2018, and Correct Care Recovery Solutions will operate the program in the current location at the Broad River Correctional Institute until completion of the new facility.	

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<p>❖ <b>New Grant: ED Telepsych</b></p>	<p>Dr. Bank stated that the Telehealth Alliance has approved a plan to assist with the placement of telepsych equipment in six (6) rural hospitals. He stated that an agreement has been made to fund a full time psychiatrist, who will be employed by SCDMH. Dr. Bank stated that the Telehealth Alliance has agreed to fund replacement of aging equipment in twelve (12) other hospitals.</p> <p>Mr. Magill stated that by the end the fiscal year, Telepsych will be operational in approximately thirty (30) hospitals.</p>	
<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		
	<p>Mr. Magill stated that he, along with Dr. Evans and Melanie Ferretti, represented SCDMH in the communities of Hartsville and Chesterfield. He highlighted a presentation sample and a photograph that was taken of Governor Nikki Haley with Carolina United staff members at a Governor's Disaster Recovery location in Jasper County. Mr. Magill stated that DAODAS will be relocating to a new location in mid-November. He stated that it is expected that the Forensics waiting list will continue to decrease as more community resources are becoming available for supervised residential facilities. Mr. Magill stated that at the request of the Governor, fourteen (14) SCDMH employees were dispatched to North Carolina to assist that State after Hurricane Matthew. He stated that SCDMH has assigned additional fulltime staff members to the Townville Elementary School for the remainder of the 2016 calendar year, to provide counseling for staff, as well as students. Mr. Magill stated that SCDMH's budget request for 2017 was recently presented to the Governor's staff and to the State Budget Office. He stated that the Senate Finance Budget hearing is scheduled for December 14, 2016.</p>	

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ADJOURNMENT		
	<i>At 11:53 a.m., on a motion by Dr. Everard Rutledge, seconded by Buxton Terry, the Commission adjourned.</i>	
ATTENDANCE		
❖ Commission Members	Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair Louise Haynes Bob Hiott Beverly Cardwell	Dr. Everard Rutledge, Vice Chair Sharon Wilson Buxton Terry
❖ Staff/Guests	John Magill Geoff Mason Stewart Cooner Mark Binkley Versie Bellamy Dr. Robert Bank Dr. Kimberly Rudd	Rosemary Hedden Sarah St. Onge Janie Simpson Valarie Perkins Alan Powell Dave Schaefer
APPROVALS		
	 Alison Y. Evans PsyD, Chair	 Terry Davis Recording Secretary

**S.C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION  
S.C. Department of Mental Health**

**Morris Village Alcohol & Drug Addiction Treatment Center  
610 Faison Drive  
Columbia, SC 29203**

**December 9, 2016**

**Facility Presentation**

**ATTENDANCE:**

***Commission Members:***

Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair	J. Buxton Terry
Everard Rutledge, PhD, Vice Chair (via phone)	Bob Hiott
Sharon Wilson	Beverly Cardwell
Louise Haynes	

***Staff/Guests:***

Dr. Kimberly Rudd	George McConnell	Mallory Miller
Versie Bellamy	Sean Dozier, Pharm.D	Irene Thornley
Paul Rogers	Chad Lominick	Pat Redmond
Cherri Rakes	Will Wells	James Wilson
Tammy Cleveland	Dr. Ivan Elder	Dr. Patricia Handley
Alexis Small		

The S.C. Mental Health Commission met at Morris Village on Friday, December 9, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. Dr. Evans expressed appreciation to the Facility for the courtesies extended to the Commission during its visit. Commissioner Evans then turned the meeting over to Mr. George McConnell, the Director of Morris Village.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

Mr. George McConnell, Director of Morris Village, gave a presentation on the services that are provided by Morris Village. He stated that Morris Village opened in 1975, with fifty-six (56) beds, to serve patients in forty-six (46) counties in South Carolina. Morris Village is licensed by the State of South Carolina as a specialty hospital and is nationally accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities. Currently, approximately one thousand, four hundred (1,400) patients are served each year. Mr. McConnell stated that there are two (2) Men's Program Teams, one (1) Women's Program Team, and one (1) Severe Co-occurring Program Team. A multi-disciplinary approach to treatment is provided, which includes medical/psychiatry, nursing, addictions counseling/case management, activity therapy, psychology, and pharmacy. Referrals to Morris Village are either court-ordered (emergency admissions/judicial admissions) or voluntary (detention centers/county alcohol and drug service providers/local mental health centers). Mr. McConnell stated that the average age of a patient at the Morris Village facility is thirty-eight (38) years old. He stated that the primary substance use disorder is alcohol, followed by opioid use disorders. It was


noted that approximately ninety percent (90%) of the patients are at or below poverty level and have complicated medical issues and/or co-occurring disorders. Mr. McConnell stated that treatment is provided through medication management, group therapy, individual therapy, educational groups, twelve (12) step groups with recovering community, and activity therapy. He stated that forensic patient referrals are prioritized. There is currently a pilot project underway with Tri-County Alcohol and Drug in Orangeburg to treat opioid use disorders with Vivitrol, a naltrexone extended release injection.

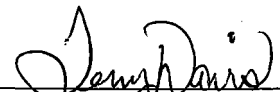
Mr. Sean Dozier, Pharm.D, stated that Vivitrol injections are used in the treatment of alcohol dependence in patients abstaining from alcohol. It is also used in the prevention of relapses of opioid dependence after detoxification. He stated that patients should be opioid free for seven (7) to ten (10) days prior to receiving an injection. Mr. Dozier stated that drug interactions can include opioids, anti-diarrheals, and cough/cold remedies.

Mr. Chad Lominick stated that the recent Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) Survey results indicate that Morris Village provides quality inpatient care in a safe and supportive environment. He stated that Morris Village was commended for outstanding staffing, leadership, and teamwork. Morris Village was also recognized for the warm environment and grounds that are provided for patients. Mr. Lominick stated that positive patient feedback was received.

Dr. Evans thanked everyone for their excellent presentations.

There being no further discussion, the center presentation concluded at 10:10 a.m.

  
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Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair  
SC Mental Health Commission

  
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Terry Davis, Recording Secretary  
SC Mental Health Commission

# S. C. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING

Hosted by:

Morris Village ~ 610 Faison Drive ~ Columbia, SC 29203

December 9, 2016

## CALL TO ORDER

The December 9, 2016 meeting of the South Carolina Mental Health Commission was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by Dr. Alison Y. Evans, Chairperson, at the Morris Village. Mr. George McConnell, Director, provided the invocation.

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*On a motion by Buxton Terry, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved the agenda for today's Business Meeting.*

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*On a motion by Sharon Wilson, seconded by Beverly Cardwell, the Commission approved the Minutes from the Business Meeting of November 4, 2016.*

*All voted in favor to the above motions; all motions carried.*

## MONTHLY/QUARTERLY INFORMATION REPORTS

Mr. Mark Binkley presented the items listed under Monthly/Quarterly Informational Reports, copies of which had been provided to the Commission.

## DEPARTMENTAL OVERVIEW AND UPDATE

### ❖ National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) Survey

Dr. Robert Bank stated that all credentialing for SCDMH Mental Health Center staff is now done via a Centralized Credentialing Unit under the direction of Ms. Leslie Yarborough and Dr. Ligia Latiff-Bolet. He stated that SCDMH was recently surveyed by the National Committee on Quality Assurance (NCQA) to have its credentialing unit accredited.

Ms. Leslie Yarborough stated that the Office of Credentialing opened in July, 2015, at which point all credentialing for SCDMH Mental Health Centers was centralized. She stated that SCDMH applied for certification with NCQA in March, 2016, and information was submitted online on October, 2, 2016. Ms. Yarborough stated that an onsite survey was conducted approximately two (2) weeks ago and the results were positive. SCDMH expects to receive NCQA certification in the near future, which will be active for two (2) years. She stated that SCDMH credentials licensed and non-licensed clinicians, even though NCQA certification only requires credentialing for licensed staff.

Dr. Ligia Latiff-Bolet stated that there were minimal recommendations. Having an NCQA accredited credentialing office is a tremendous advantage when SCDMH contracts with insurance companies to become an in-network provider.

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❖ Update on Crisis Stabilization Unit Efforts	<p>Mr. Geoff Mason stated that the Charleston Crisis Stabilization Unit is scheduled to open in January, 2017 and will be a ten (10) to twelve (12) bed program with a three (3) to five (5) day stay. He stated that Spartanburg, Greenville, and Anderson have expressed interest in Crisis Stabilization Units and that Charleston Community Mental Health Center will be available to other Centers to provide guidance. Mr. Mason stated that interviews are scheduled to hire the Director of the new Community Crisis Response and Intervention Program. The Program is being funded by SCDHHS.</p> <p>Mr. Magill stated that the cost to operate a Crisis Stabilization Unit is approximately \$ 1M per year and it is critical to have financial assistance provided by the local hospitals and other partners. For example, the Charleston Program will be housed in space from the local Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission.</p>
❖ Update on Community Mental Health Services	<p>Mr. Geoff Mason highlighted certain information on the First Quarter FY 2016 vs 2017 Report, copies of which had been provided to the Commission.</p> <p>Mr. Magill stated that a number of Centers were adversely impacted by Hurricane Matthew.</p>
❖ Bull Street Update	<p>Mr. Mark Binkley stated that the Developer has advised SCDMH of two (2) closings that are expected within the next thirty (30) days. A news reporter indicated that the selected location of a USC Medical School on the Bull Street campus may be on the Board of Trustees' Agenda this month. Mr. Binkley stated that the site would be purchased from SCDMH by Hughes Development and donated to USC.</p>
❖ Financial Status Update	<p>Mr. Mark Binkley highlighted certain information on the SCDMH Financial Report, dated October 31, 2016, copies of which had been provided to the Commission. He stated that claims are being held until rejection issues for the previous submissions are resolved. Mr. Binkley stated that Select Health has been paying over ninety percent (90%) of the submitted claims and rejections are being resolved quickly. All pending claims through November will be submitted to Select Health for payment soon.</p>
❖ Approval of Issue Action Papers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Farrow Road Tract</li> </ul>	<p>Mr. Mark Binkley presented approval requests for two (2) issue Action Papers, copies of which had been provided to the Commission.</p> <p><b><i>On a motion by Buxton Terry, seconded by Ms. Sharon Wilson, the Commission approved declaring a 2.65 acre tract on Farrow Road as surplus, and its sale for one \$ 100K.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>All voted in favor to the above motion; the motion carried.</i></b></p>



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Sumter Annexation</li> </ul>	<p><b><i>On a motion by Sharon Wilson, seconded by Beverly Cardwell, the Commission approved SCDMH seeking annexation by the City of Sumter of the property which is to be the site of the new Santee-Wateree Community Mental Health Center.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>All voted in favor to the above motion; the motion carried.</i></b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Update on Sexually Violent Predator Treatment Program</li> </ul>	<p>Mr. Mark Binkley stated that SCDMH has been involved with Correct Care Recovery Solutions in the design phase of the new facility. He stated that the bonds for the new facility cannot be issued until the most current Consolidated Financial Statement for South Carolina has been completed by the Comptroller General. Mr. Binkley stated that Correct Care Recovery Solutions assumed daily operations at Broad River Correctional Institute on December 1, 2016.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Hurricane Matthew and FEMA Grant</li> </ul>	<p>Ms. Mallory Miller stated that the Carolina United Program, which is funded by SAMHSA and FEMA, was established as a result of the October, 2015 floods. She stated that twenty-four (24) counties have been served with disaster counseling, resources, and referrals. She stated that the Carolina United Program was scheduled to end on December 16, 2016, but will remain operational due to Hurricane Matthew. Ms. Miller stated that there will be ninety-six (96) staff members and thirteen (13) teams established.</p> <p>Mr. Will Wells presented information regarding the disaster response efforts of SCDMH during Hurricane Matthew. He stated that from September 30, 2016 until thirteen (13) days after the storm, SCDMH had staff members positioned at the Emergency Management Division. Mr. Wells stated that there were shelters established in Anderson, Spartanburg, and Greenville, and SCDMH clinical staff members were available at each shelter. He noted that Public Information Phone System (PIPS), which is operated by the Emergency Management Division, assisted with the overflow of 211 phone calls. Lexington Community Mental Health Center assigned staff to work with PIPS. Some SCDMH Counselors were also dispatched to North Carolina to assist in shelters, with all expenses being reimbursed by the State of North Carolina and FEMA.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Executive Leadership Training</li> </ul>	<p>Mr. Magill stated that an Executive Leadership Training Program will be scheduled in the Spring of 2017. He stated that the program is designed for current SCDMH managers who may become senior executives within SCDMH. Training programs have previously been conducted for Medical Directors, Center Directors, Hospital Directors, and for Central Office.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Announcements</li> </ul>	<p>Mr. Magill stated that the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Judges and Attorneys Seminar was held in Charleston on Friday, December 2, 2016 with one hundred-eighty (180) judges and attorneys in attendance. He stated that Dr. Robert Bank attended the quarterly S. C. Institute of Medicine and Public Policy meeting this week and submitted recommendations which are being reviewed. Mr. Magill stated that he will be giving presentations in January at the S. C. Hospital Association's Annual</p>

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	<p>Meeting and at the Alliance for a Healthier S. C.'s Membership Meeting. He stated that SCDMH will give its FY18 budget request presentation next week to Healthcare Subcommittee of Senate Finance. SCDMH was approached by S. C. Vocational Rehabilitation Department (SCVRD) due to the loss of Holmesview, an unlicensed, residential addiction treatment facility in Greenville, due to a fire. SCVRD has plans to rebuild the facility but is seeking possible assistance from SCDMH to house the program on a temporary basis.</p> <p>Dr. Evans stated that twelve (12) students will be accompanying her to the January 6, 2017 Commission Meeting.</p>
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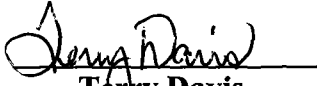
**ADJOURNMENT**

	<p><i>At 11:25 a.m., on a motion by Buck Terry, seconded by Sharon Wilson, the Commission adjourned the Business Meeting and entered into executive session to receive legal advice concerning threatened litigation against the Agency. Upon convening in open session at 12:28 p.m., it was noted that only information was received; no votes or actions were taken.</i></p>
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**ATTENDANCE**

❖ Commission Members	<p>Alison Y. Evans, Psy.D., Chair Everard Rutledge, PhD, Vice Chair (via phone) Beverly Cardwell Sharon Wilson</p>	<p>Bob Hiott James Buxton Terry Louise Haynes</p>
❖ Staff/Guests	<p>Mark Binkley Dr. Kimberly Rudd Geoff Mason Versie Bellamy Dr. Robert Bank Alan Powell George McConnell Dr. Ivan Elder James Wilson Dr. Patricia Handley Paul Rogers</p>	<p>Mallory Miller Will Wells Leslie Yarborough Dr. Ligia Latiff-Bolet Alexis Small Chad Lominick Tammy Cleveland Pat Redmond Irene Thornley Cherri Rakes</p>

**APPROVALS**

	 <b>Alison Y. Evans</b> PsyD, Chair	 <b>Terry Davis</b> Recording Secretary
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