

**SHAWNEE COUNTY COUNCIL OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS
MINUTES
July 25, 2012**

Agenda Item I. Call to Order by Linda Heine, Chair, at 4:05 p.m.

Agenda Item II. Membership Roll Call by Secretary. Ramona volunteered to record meeting minutes due to the vacant position. Mitzie Tyree is no longer employed by TARC and now employed by Sheltered Living Inc. She will now be listed as a provider representative for Sheltered Living. Roll call and quorum is present.

Linda Heine	Consumer Member, Chair	Present
Barbara McCummins	Consumer Member, Co-Chair	Present
Jan Powell	Guardian/Consumer Rep.	Absent
Ramona Macek	CDDO Rep.	Present
Mitzie Tyree	Provider Rep, TARC	Excused
Alison Prekopy	Consumer Member	Present
Jason Barrett	Consumer Rep.	Excused
Michele Heydon	Provider Rep, Sunflower Supports	Present
Shannon Zeilinger	Parent/Consumer Rep.	Present
Carolyn Mowery	Parent/Consumer Rep.	Present

Agenda Item III. Review March 28, 2012 meeting minutes

Ramona reviewed the meeting minutes. Michele motions to approve meeting minutes as written. Linda seconds and motion carries.

Agenda Item IV. Old Business

2012 Council Goal – The Disability Rights Center and KU Research received a grant to gather input from persons with developmental disabilities and their guardians about the availability and accessibility of medical and dental services. Town Hall meetings have been scheduled statewide. The meeting in Topeka is scheduled August 7 from 3-5pm at the SRS Learning Center. Barb, Carolyn and Shannon will be attending as well as five others from Shawnee County, three of which are agency staff. There was a discussion about topics to bring up during the Town Hall meeting.

Transportation update – Barbara reported that she no longer needs a standing order with the Lift. She calls in every Friday to schedule for the upcoming week since her schedule varies each week. Michele commented the bus route is to expand on Topeka Blvd due to the MARS plant. Linda also commented the route is to expand on Wanamaker because of Menard's.

Agenda Item V. New Business

None.

Agenda Item VI. CDDO Report - Ramona Macek

The CDDO statistical report was reviewed. There are 1060 adults and children receiving services in Shawnee County and no new affiliated providers. There have been 23 crisis requests approved by the Funding Committee since July 1, 2011. Approximately 325 people are on the local waiting list for services in Shawnee County.

The FY 2013 Contract with the State of Kansas has been agreed to so the Shawnee County CDDO affiliation agreements have been mailed to affiliates. Affiliates are responsible to sign and return required documents to the CDDO by August 31, 2012.

The CDDO team has its annual policy review and a tentative date scheduled in August. Copies of the Dispute Resolution, Council meetings and membership policies were distributed. The members are asked to review the policies prior to the next meeting in September. During the next meeting, the membership may make recommendations for revisions. If there are Council recommendations for policy revisions, Ramona will present the recommendations to the CDDO Board Oversight Committee.

TARC had a dedication celebration in the honor of Timili Gartner, the CDDO Quality Management Coordinator who passed away unexpectedly in April 2011. The bench has a plaque that reads "In Honor of Timili Gartner, Friend & Advocate" and is located in the courtyard. The courtyard is located in the back of the building and several of Senior Services participants like to sit in it when outside.

Agenda Item VII. Legislative Update –
None.

Agenda Item VIII. Questions or comments from the membership.

There was discussion about contacting the SRS Economic Assistance Workers for information about physicians accepting new Medicaid recipients. Michele commented Medicaid approval has gotten better since people are assigned to a team vs. a person. Linda vocalized frustrations with having to resubmit copies of her paystubs several times to verify income.

Shannon asked if there are specific topics to bring up during the Town Hall meeting in August. It was discussed that there is a difference when a person has Medicaid only or Medicaid and Medicare vs. private insurance coverage. Ramona thought there would be a facilitator for the meeting and at least 10 people from Cottonwood CDDO area who would be in attendance. It is not known how many will be in attendance from Self Advocate Coalition of Kansas and Families Together.

.Agenda Item IX. Next regular Council Meeting

The next meeting is September 26, 2012 at 4:00pm.

Agenda Item X. Adjournment

Linda adjourned the meeting at 4:51 pm.

Minutes submitted by Ramona Macek July 26, 2012.