

AUSAP Minutes for January 20, 2017

Meeting started at 3:05 pm

In person: Shawn McMillen

On Phone: Michael Odom, Kristi Versteeg, Debi Prisbrey, Ann Corbin, and Allison Howells.

Excused: C.J. Jones, Teresa Burton

Shawn asked the group if everyone had a chance to look over December meeting minutes, and was there any corrections, in paragraph three Shawn made a correction. The “Cheers Act” was corrected to state “21st Century Cures Act.” Kristi made a motion to accept Michael second the motion.

Discussion concerning the status and registration of the MRT training was conducted by Michael Odom. Thus far 25 individuals have registered and paid with another promised 6-10 registrations in the mail. Michael asked the Board to formulate and move forward, Ann made motion to proceed, Debi second the motion. Shawn asked to allow five slots for First Step House at the early registration price, Michael agreed.

Discussion was held concerning the Mountain Plains ATTC grant application, (SHAMSA), they are asking for letters of support. ATTC in addition has asked Shawn to be on the broad. Mountain Plains ATTC is a work force development aimed at training for Telephonic, in-person technology aimed at substance-abuse treatment. ATTC was originally stationed in Reno Nevada, however they did not get re-funded, and they are going to apply as well. Michael reminded Shawn to be mindful of online CEU limits dictated by DOPL.

Discussion was held concerning the 21st Century Cures Act, Utah is in line to receive funds, Utah is 3rd in the nation for deaths caused from Opiates overdoses. The funding would provide services to individuals with a substance-abuse disorder, the funding could help with medication and/or treatment. To qualify for the funding the provider could not disallow an individual because they are receiving medication for their substance-abuse disorder. The grant is a 2-year program, Allison discussed the problem when the funding runs out.

DHS OL Background screenings, there are proposed changes, and they are still working on a draft concerning the criteria. Shawn pointed out paragraph 2:

Individuals who at any time during the past year have experienced serious functional impairment due to mental illness or cognitive impairment that substantially interferes with or limits one or more major life activities. Examples include:

- a. Marked difficulties in self-care (personal hygiene, diet, and clothing, avoiding injuries, securing health care or complying with medical advice).
- b. Marked restriction of activities of daily living (maintaining a residence or employment, using transportation, day to day money management, accessing

community services).

- c. Marked difficulties in maintaining social functioning (establishing and maintaining social relationships, interpersonal interactions with primary partner, children or other family members, friends, neighbors, social skills).
- d. Active hallucinations, suicidality, or threats of harm to self or others.

Shawn has some concerns with some of this language. Certification will be required to allow an individual working status. They will need to change the rule of statute as well, right now it states 10-years since an incident, and the change would be 3-years. The helping community realizes that individuals with a criminal history, substance-abuse and or mental health concern is an asset not a deficit.

Ann gave a short financial report, she stated, "There is approximately \$15,000.00 in the AUSAP account" she is working on the 2016 financial report and the 2017 Budget so the organization can file our yearly taxes.

Shawn asked for a motion to dismiss, Michael made the motion, Allison second the motion.

Meeting ended 3:36 pm.

Next meeting: February 17, 2017.