

# Minutes

## Mental Health & Addictions Committee

Governor's Commission on Senior Services  
January 26, 2006  
Department of Human Services

**Attendees:** Barbara Nelson (Vice-Chair), Peggie Beck, Denise Dion, Chris Flammang, Chuck Frazier, Marilyn Hinds, Charles Kurtz, Remona Simpson, Joan Staley

**Guests:** Officer Paul Ware (Portland Police), John Brenne (Oregon League of Oregon Cities), C.J. Reid (OMHAS), Eunice Dutton, Maria Smith, Jack Roberts, Kay Kirkbride

**Excused:** Elaine Barrett (Chair)

**Staff:** Marc Overbeck, Wendy Russell

### *Called Meeting to Order*

Approval of December minutes- The minutes were approved with minor grammatical revisions. (Eunice/Joan). *Passed.*

Review of Agenda – Barbara announced that since Officer Ware is available at this time, he would give his presentation prior to Old Business. Added to the agenda was a discussion on the Future of Long-Term Care and the community forums.

### **Announcements**

None.

### **New Business**

**Perspective of Officer “In the Street” – Office Paul Ware, Portland Police Bureau**

Officer Ware provides in-house training for crisis intervention and mental health awareness for the Portland Police Department. He also serves as the liaison between mental health professionals in Portland and the Police department. He teaches a 40-hour in-depth voluntary class for police and community partners in dealing with people in a mental health crisis.

New Portland recruits receive 10 hours of training on mental health as part of their orientation. About 150 patrol officers in Portland are Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) certified out of about 450.

Portland was the first West Coast city to adopt Crisis Intervention (CIT).

Officer Ware answered individual questions from Commissioners.

Marion County is now training officers using the CIT model. The new curriculum from the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training will be expanded to take place over 16 weeks instead of 10, and will include more standardized training around mental health.

**Old Business**

**County-based Older Adults Mental Health Profiles** – Sandra Moreland, Denise Dion  
Sandra reported that the research is still being done by the “data gurus.” Sandra plans to have something available electronically before next meeting in March.

**Updates**

**OMHAS/Addiction Services**—C.J. Reid, who staffs the Governor’s Council on Drug and Alcohol Abuse, noted on February 21 there will be a sponsored forum at the Capitol with representatives to talk about potential legislative issues in the upcoming session. She invited members of the Governor’s Commission to attend. Another forum will be held May 16 at the Capitol.

**OMHAS – Other – Sandra Moreland**—Sandra spoke generally about Senate Bill 781, which was first proposed to add older adults as distinct group eligible for mental health services, and now requires coordinated community mental health plans for 07-09. OMHAS will be adding elements to its checklist to make sure older adult issues are being addressed.

**Seniors and People with Disabilities** – **Megan Hornby** Neither Megan nor Jennifer Mead were available for today’s meeting.

**Planning and Management Advisory Committee (PAMAC) – Remona Simpson** Remona reported that PAMAC did not meet in January, and their December meeting was canceled as well.

### **Other Items**

John Helm said that the Commission has been asked to be involved as host in outreach for future of Long-Term Care. John distributed a handout containing the “Seven Questions,” with suggestions about where each might fit in the GCSS Subcommittee discussions. The Forums will likely begin in May and are the first step in getting input from communities around the state. Members agreed that two of the questions fit well into the discussion topics of the committee.

### **Next Meeting Items**

Members would like to talk with Bob Miller on the implementation of Senate Bill 781 and hear from Sandra on the data for the County mental health profiles

<b>Action Item:</b>	<b>Assigned To:</b>	<b>Due Date:</b>
Send thank you to Officer Ware for his attendance	Staff	2/06
Invite Bob Miller to March meeting	Staff	2/06
Follow-up on OMHAS data	Marc, Sandra	3/06