

**Mental Health Response Advisory Committee (MHRAC)  
Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, December 15, 2015**

Facilitators: Danny Whatley and Rick Miera  
Scribe: Karen Pool

Meeting called to order, quorum was met.

Motion by to approve meeting minutes from October and November meetings.

Second to motion

Minutes approved as written.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Nancy Koenigsberg advised Sam Cochran to present in February on crisis intervention.

**Report from Jeannette Baca, National Association for Civilian oversight of Law Enforcement NACOLE**

The 2016 NACOLE conference will be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico in the fall the weekend before Balloon Fiesta. This conference usually attracts 200-300 attendees. They will need volunteers. She would like to see MHRAC participate by:

1. Presenting a panel or
2. Providing a presentation or
3. Providing a Workshop

MHRAC must submit a Request for Proposal by the deadline, January 15, 2016.

The conference has three tracks from beginners to emerging issues so there is something for everyone.

## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Training Committee:** Paula Burton, David Ley, Co-Chair

- Committee members participated in the CIU training.
- This generated discussion regarding
  - Current evaluations
  - Teaching Aids
  - Class Evaluations
  - Peer involvement

Motion by Nancy Koenigsberg to include in the report emphasis on peers.  
Second to motion by Steve Bringe  
Revision approved.

Steve Bringe advised there was an MHRAC representative at each day of training. They received very positive feedback from the officers regarding the training.

The committee feels the CIU and CIT involvement is good and there are other training avenues which may be next step i.e.:

1. Academy Mental Health Training
2. Become involved or assist with all APD officer training  
(See Training Subcommittee Report for more details)

There was discussion regarding clarification of the 4<sup>th</sup> bullet point. Is this involvement current or future and is there a time limit on developing these training materials. It was determined that it could take 12 months to prepare proper materials. Training recommendations and feedback is encouraged and should be fully developed and presented in draft form.

Motion by Dr. Nils Rosenbaum to put a time limit on developing training materials of 12 months.  
Second to motion by Nancy Koenigsberg.  
Motion approved.

Next CIU training is tentatively scheduled to begin April 4, 2016.

Paula Burton advised that the 8 hour refresher class has not been addressed.

Lt. Glenn St. Onge reported that the refresher will be Mental Health First Aid (MHFA):

- Six more instructors have been certified in MHFA

- First classes start in January
- There will be 2-3 classes per month

## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Training Committee continued**

Committee wanted to know who determined that MHFA would be the refresher. They feel members of the committee and peers should be involved in any discussion on training. Concerns were expressed that the decision was made by APD without the input of the MHRAC or the Training Committee.

Also the training components look fragmented and needs to be more cohesive. Is there an overall training plan as relates to mental health. Committee does not see the 'big picture'.

Motion by Jeremy Jaramillo that someone from the training committee attends all training.

Motion by Dave Webster to accept the amendment.

Second to motion by Robert Salazar.

Motion approved

Next Training subcommittee meeting is December 21, 2015 at the AFAC.

### **Resource Committee:** Mike Robertson, Chair

The Resource subcommittee report is short and concise.

- Caroline Bonham is working on a statewide network for resources.
- No future steps included
- Only an update on what has been done so far.
- A major piece is still not available along with how to access the information

Committee agreed it is a good report and will get more complex in the future.

Nancy Koenigsberg asked about the last sentence and Sgt. John Gonzales advised that now they have CIT Sgt. Coordinators in the field and when they meet they review the needs of the field officers.

Motion by Nancy Koenigsberg to revise the last sentence to remove '*proposed* survey of field officers' to '*intent* to survey field officers.'

Second to motion by David Ley

Motion approved.

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## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Information Sharing Committee:** Nancy Koenigsberg, Chair

Same report as described in last meeting was presented. Concerns include:

- Difficulty of a few people determining for the entire Community how information is shared.
- Suggested another Committee to study/determine Community stakeholders meeting, i.e. Chiefs of APD, AFD, City Attorney all major hospitals, 911 dispatch, Sheriff of Bernalillo County, District Attorney's office etc. (See Information Sharing Subcommittee report for full details).

Second page of report includes the proposal of the Committee.

Motion by David Webster to accept the Information Sharing Committee recommendation to the City regarding stakeholders.

Second to the motion by Lt. Glenn St. Onge.

Motion approved.

David Ley reported that the City and the County are collaborating to develop a group working on Behavioral Health.

**REPORT FROM APD:** Lt. Glenn St. Onge

APD 'Use of Force' calls for service are down however, transports are up. Only one use of force and it was an arrest made on an outstanding warrant.

- The Mobile Crisis Unit is moving forward and input is welcome.
- Hot Spots Data, referrals are down slightly to 190 monthly
- 98.9% completion rate for CIT Certified Officers (only 2 or 3 have not attended)
- APD will make class openings available to neighboring jurisdictions and AFD to the April Class.
- This group also needs to be involved in the City/County Behavioral Health collaboration
- With the next session of the state legislature he will be working on Mental Health Laws/Bills, and gun violence in DV. Reviewing California's gun violence/restraining order bill which takes effect in January 2016.
- Two bills coming
  - Gun Violence

- Developing a state statute from Federal law.
- Smartgunlaws.org

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### **REPORT FROM APD continued**

David Ley requested Mobile Crisis Team discussion be included on next agenda.

Lt. St. Onge also advised that the Staffing Study is out. Glenn will provide a data presentation on CIT calls and also a mobile data presentation at the next meeting.

Jeremy Jaramillo wants all APD Training available. Glenn will provide a list of what can be made available. The Academy Training and Dispatch Training are conducted by Dr. Troy Rogers. In 2016 refresher Dispatch Training will be conducted by CIT.

Nancy Koenigsberg asked if the use of force call numbers include all field calls or just the CIT or mental health calls. Just mental health.

Jeremy Jaramillo asked how mental health call is defined, also who makes the determination that it is a mental health call. John Gonzales advised that calls are coded through dispatch.

They will be tracing use of force related to the training to see how training has impacted how the field responds. Field officers trained to do more to code reports for mental health. A matrix is also being developed to track diversions and arrests.

Davey Ley requested and Danny Whately provided a recap of their meeting with Chief Gordon Eden. Meeting was positive and productive. Next step is to meet with the City Attorney. He will send out the documents that were given to the Chief in this meeting.

There is a McClendon Council Meeting at the end of January with the City. They would like a MHRAC rep there.

#### **Next Meeting will be:**

- Tuesday, January 19, 2016
- 5:00 p.m.
- @the Rock Noon Day

Meeting informally adjourned.