

<b>Date:</b> January 29, 2018	Northern Arizona Human Rights Committee Minutes
<b>Committee Members Present:</b> Christopher Gonzalez (Secretary), Chris “Link” Duarte (Chair), Dorothy “Dot” O’Brien (Vice Chair), Keran O’Brien, Sue Hernandez, Katy Welty	
<b>Non-Committee Members Present:</b> Jesse Sharber (HCIC), Yisel Sanchez (AHCCCS)	
<b>Other Attendees:</b> Anna Branson (Az Center for Disability Law), Mandy Rodriguez (Parent), Dana Hearn (AHCCCS)	
<b>Committee Members Absent:</b> Ann Guntz	
<b>Other attendees absent:</b> Veronica Welch (HCIC/OIFA)	
<b>Next Meeting:</b> March 19, 2018	
<b>Approved:</b> Chris Duarte, Chairperson	

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<b>Welcome and Introductions:</b>  <b>(Establish Quorum)</b>	<p>Quorum established (5 voting members)</p> <p>Start of meeting: 11:11am</p> <p>Committee members introduced and greeted each other.</p> <p>The committee welcomed new potential member Mandy Rodriguez. Mandy is a Parent of a child participating in behavioral health.</p>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Minutes Review:</b>	12-18-17 minutes reviewed.			

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	<p>Dot O. motioned to approve the minutes and Keran seconded the motion. Meeting minutes accepted and approved by committee.</p>			
<b>Membership:</b>	<p>One challenge that we are running into is that we need to have 7 voting members/official , vetted Committee members.</p> <p>We do have a few open positions that need to be filled. Proposed members: Aura Jacquelyn Patterson – Committee Chair will follow up. Secretary provided Chair with contact information.</p> <p>“Mandy”-Amanda Rodriguez expressed that her interest in the committee is because she is working in the behavioral health system and as a parent and family member. She would like to learn more about the NAHRC, and attended this meeting.</p> <p>Mary Beth Hrin (potential new member). Mary Beth ran for Mayor of Prescott: was a client of AHCCCS due to a car accident, and knows the legal system.</p> <p>John Schuderer is Chair of the Yavapai County</p>			N/A

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	<p>Suicide Coalition. Son committed suicide and John is interested in reducing gaps and disparities that lead to suicide.</p> <p>Dr. Elizabeth Caspian- Director OP at WYGC. Interest in reducing barriers in behavioral and primary care</p> <p>Jennifer Masse - She runs a council on human rights and population under the Prescott Indivisible.</p> <p>Dr. Cory Kruger – experience in institutional behavioral health medicine. He did Submitted paperwork. Yisel needs the official corrected paperwork. Yisel has not received the correct paperwork as of today. He can come up as a “non-voting” member. Dr. Kruger does want to participate in the site visits and he did attend the sub-committee meeting. Located in Cottonwood where specializes in Elderly vulnerable population.</p> <p>Stephan Barber - Acted as a community advocate. He has attended the ASH HRC with Dot O’Brien.</p> <p>Chair asked Committee members to describe how they market the NAHRC to new</p>			

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	<p>prospective members and what they say to describe the NAHRC and the functions of the committee. The Committee members that shared, had expressed that they talk about their life experience(s), what works well in maneuvering through the system, and what did not work; what they can bring to the committee to help bring quality, accuracy, equity and equality to the behavioral health system.</p> <p>Yisel will follow up with Audrey and Fred Dorfman.</p> <p>Chris D to follow-up with Jacqueline</p> <p>Jesse Sharber expressed that she markets the NAHRC at the Children council and the OIFA meeting.</p> <p>Sue Hernandez is going to attend the NACA meeting and will talk about NAHRC and asking for participation.</p> <p>Chair requested that if members attend networking, coalition or other type of meetings where public comments is welcomed, that they share those meetings with this council so that others may attend.</p>			

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<p><b>Operations and Guidelines:</b></p>	<p>The committee is currently editing the guidelines that had been submitted to AHCCCS, Guidelines were returned with minimal edits and recommendations and will need to be resubmitted for final approval. Areas recommended being updated/edited committee member tenure, attendance, committee positions, structure of voting members on and off the committee.</p> <p>Additional area of focus: citing the appropriate authorities (I.e., removing DBHS)</p> <p>To add terms of service, staggering exec committee vs general membership and sub-committee membership</p> <p>Recommend sending out the revised Guidelines draft before the next meeting for ample review and editing time.</p> <p>Katy Welty cannot get into the incident/accident report for review and will need to renew her password and ability to get into the system.</p> <p>Katy expressed that she can do a training session on special assistance lasting</p>		All	

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	<p>approximately 20 minutes at the March meeting. This training will review what special assistance is and how it is determined. This may be an annual training for the committee. Dana Hearn expressed that she can schedule the AHCCCS SME to assist with the training and handouts.</p>			
<b>Chair Report:</b>	<p>Chair reported that he is currently editing the articles and the bi-laws to include the necessary information and send out the edits once complete.</p> <p>About this committee’s work, it is important to build credibility and validity about what we are doing. The hope is that we can influence publication, research funds, the potential for internships, and various other forms of research related to population health in rural communities, barriers to care, and other factors that influence the reasons that people fall through the cracks.</p> <p>The committee is currently looking at the possibilities at NAU and the Criminal Justice Department as well as the UCLA Medical School of Population Health. Bring possible funding and expertise.</p>		N/A	N/A

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	<p>Comments included importance of finding notable publications and credible authors. NARBHA 2.0 (Northern Legacy Foundation) – moving towards institute based and funding long-lasting growth within the Behavioral health system and providing possible funding for these growth areas within the behavioral health system, treatments and services. Working with NAU and funded an endowed chair in Criminal Justice Department</p> <p>What publication recommended?</p> <p>Chair is currently working on approaches with Findley Toyota, Gallupin Ford, Enterprise and Avis rent a car for a sponsorship the NAHRC a vehicle for site visits</p>			
<b>Sub-committee(s):</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Site Visit: facilitated a sub-committee meeting on January 21, 2018 via conference call.</li> <li>2. See January 21, 2018 sub-committee meeting minutes for details.</li> <li>3. Would like to schedule the next 2 meeting (3-25-18 and 4-15-18 at 3pm both days and at facilitated at Little America Hotel in Flagstaff, AZ.</li> <li>4. Site visit training will be offered</li> </ol>	Dot O., Sue H., Ann G. and Dr. Cory Kruger.		TBD

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	<p>before visits take place.</p> <p>5. Request a “site visit” brochure from AHCCCS. Yisel recommends citing directly from the statutes (R9-21-105) to insure accurate representation, while maintaining common language and communication. Recommend attaining other brochures and communication flyers from the other HRC committees. All communications need to be vetted through AHCCCS for approval and printed materials need to be clear, concise and understandable to fit various communities and education levels/abilities.</p>			
<b>LGBTQ Advisory:</b>	<p>Chair talked about communities becoming more inclusive with the services/supports for the LGBTQIA; however, we have not done a great job bringing their voices to the movement.</p> <p>The committee is continuing to develop a list of potential members for this sub-committee. First action would be to host a public forum or meeting to assess interest, knowledge, discover what is missing, and what the issues that are affecting this population in Northern AZ.</p>			



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	<p>Discussed possible locations about how the committee might be set-up.</p> <p>The committee recommends having an initial public forum to collect data regarding core themes of issues within communities, as well as, how to reach these communities.</p> <p>Link (Chair) will begin in February 2018 to send out “interest” emails. Christopher G. and Mandy R. have volunteered for this sub-committee.</p>			
<b>Future Agenda Items:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NAHRC branding (various communication venues, access to internet and phones and transportation methods/availability)</li> <li>• Start brainstorm on communicating within the rural areas and communities, north of Williams, AZ.</li> <li>• Intro to Special Assistance training (20 mins). Katy will send the handouts via email to Yisel before the next meeting. Dana Hearn can send the FAQ from AHCCCS regarding special assistance.</li> <li>• Gaps in systems, between systems, gaps with emergency responders</li> </ul>	At the beginning of the next meeting.		

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	<p>discussion of Police CIT training.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communication regarding gaps in service due to standards not being universal throughout AZ.</li> <li>• Discussion of “billable age reduced from 21 to 18.”</li> </ul>			
<p><b>Public Comment:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HB 4206 – do away with the counselors having a license to practice. <a href="http://www.azca.org/aws/AZCA/pt/sd/news_article/150859/PARENT/layout_details/false">http://www.azca.org/aws/AZCA/pt/sd/news_article/150859/PARENT/layout_details/false</a></li> <li>• Laura Hartgroves Position paper to present regarding Arizona Health Facility Licensure rules require all Behavioral Health staff to be at least 21 years of age or older. Position Paper attached in NAHRC email invite</li> <li>• Advertisement of public forums and opportunities to comment from AHCCCS needs to be more prominent, with ample advertisement time.</li> <li>• AZ Parent and Family Member Leadership Forum sponsored through</li> </ul>	<p>Link and Christopher will send out these action items and add to next Agenda.</p>		

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	<p>Family Involvement Center.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review Individual Service Planning and Data Validation Audit Standards. A formal request to Yisel and Jesse via email/written letter from the committee is best way to request information or assistance.</li> <li>• Discussion of Law enforcement training regarding First Responders and officers of the Court interacting with families/individuals with mental illness and disabilities.</li> </ul>			
<b>MEETING ADJOURNED</b>	1:12pm			
<b>NEXT MEETING</b>	March 19, 2018 (Monday)			