

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair Don Roberts, on January 21, 2011 at 8:00 AM, in Room 102 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Don Roberts, Chairman (R)
Sen. Dave Lewis, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Sen. Mary Caferro (D)
Rep. John Esp (R)
Sen. Jason Priest (R)
Rep. Trudi Schmidt (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: Rep. Tony Belcourt (D)

Staff Present: Marilyn Daumiller, Legislative Branch
Miranda Keaster, Committee Secretary
Lois Steinbeck, Legislative Branch
Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Public Testimony: Addictive and Mental Disorders Division

00:00:20 Chairman Roberts
00:00:36 Ann Whiting Sorrell, Director, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)
[EXHIBIT\(jhh16a01\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(jhh16a02\)](#)
00:02:32 Chairman Roberts

Chemical Dependency

Public Testimony:

00:04:15 Mike Ruppert, Chief Executive Officer, Boyd Andrew Community Services
00:08:44 Candace Payne, Rimrock Foundation
[EXHIBIT\(jhh16a03\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(jhh16a04\)](#)
00:12:15 Rep. Belcourt entered.
00:15:14 J.C. Weingarter, Montana Education Association - Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)
00:17:05 Shelley Johnson, Director, Bozeman Alcohol and Drug Services
00:18:49 Dan Krause, Livingston
00:23:44 Tom Perdew, Executive Director, Gateway Community Services
00:25:21 Michael Cummins, Executive Director, Flathead Valley Clinic
00:27:04 Jerry Schlepp, Executive Director, District 2 Drug and Alcohol Services
00:30:04 Mona Jamison, Lobbyist, Boyd Andrew Management Services and Montana Chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association

Question and Comments:

00:34:58 Chairman Roberts
00:35:34 Dan Krause
00:36:32 Rep. Esp
00:36:53 Dan Krause
00:37:56 Rep. Schmidt
00:38:17 Mike Ruppert

Public Testimony Continued:

00:38:53 Frank Lane, Executive Director, Eastern Montana Community Health Center
00:43:03 Gloria Wells, Community Member
00:48:14 Lanore Myers, Director, White Sky Hope Center

Questions and Comments:

00:51:29 Chairman Roberts

Mental Health Testimony

00:53:11 John Lynn, Deputy Director, Western Montana Mental Health Center
EXHIBIT(jhh16a05)
01:00:07 Sherice Garhart, Community Member
EXHIBIT(jhh16a06)
01:02:34 Dr. Gary Mihelish, Community Member
01:08:07 Natalie McGillen, Director, Western Montana Health Center
01:12:12 Scott Malloy, Director, Gallatin Mental Health Center
EXHIBIT(jhh16a07)
01:18:54 Frank Lane, Executive Director, Eastern Montana Community Health Center
01:24:25 Donna Gettle Briggs, Leader, Butte Program for Assertive Community Treatment Team (PACT)
01:26:48 John Watson, Open Arms Drop-in Center
01:31:25 J.C. Weingarter, MEA-MFT
01:35:55 Mike Parker, Community Member

Questions and Comments:

01:41:20 Rep. Schmidt
01:42:18 Chairman Roberts
01:42:41 Dr. Gary Mihelish, National Alliance of Mental Illness (NAMI)

Public Testimony Continued:

01:43:15 Matt Kuntz, Executive Director, NAMI
01:46:02 Quentin Schroeter, NAMI
01:48:16 Gary Popiel, Community Member
01:52:48 Jacob Wagner, Director, Gallatin County Mental Health
01:57:51 Leo Dutton, Sheriff, Lewis and Clark County
02:00:57 John Moll, Peer Support Specialist
EXHIBIT(jhh16a08)
02:04:35 Rita Deserley, Community Member
02:06:30 Kat Blumhorst, Community Member
02:10:37 James Holliman, Community Member
EXHIBIT(jhh16a09)
02:14:50 Barbara Nyegard, New Directions Center (NDC)
02:16:46 Karen Balley, Community Member
EXHIBIT(jhh16a10)
02:21:15 James Gustafson, Community Member
02:23:44 Kathy McGowan, Community Mental Health Centers and Montana County Attorneys Association/Sheriff's and Peace Officers
02:28:50 Bob Ross, South Central Montana Health Center
02:33:03 Marnie Onishk, NAMI
02:36:10 Dorothy Salmonson, NAMI
EXHIBIT(jhh16a11)
02:39:50 Rick Kiefer, Community Member
02:41:50 Erwin Thoras, Community Member
02:44:35 Kristina Leclerc, Community Member
02:45:57 Peter McNair, Community Member

Questions and Comments:

02:47:58 Rep. Esp

Public Testimony Continued:

02:48:35 Tyler Steinbach, Emergency Medical Technition (EMT)

02:52:31 Stacy Wheeler, Community Member

02:56:00 Monique Casbeer, Community Member

02:57:57 Charlotte Moran, Community Member

03:01:27 Chris Hartzmann, Community Member

03:03:31 Jeffrey Krott, Community Member

03:08:11 Robert Winkler, Community Member

03:15:52 Brian Gootkin, Under Sheriff, Gallatin County

03:17:59 Karen Ward, Community Member

03:20:37 Lanore Stiffarm, Community Member

03:24:33 Ann Gholz, Community Member

03:27:05 Emily Reardon, Community Member

03:30:07 Jeff Lester, Workers Now Program

03:32:10 David Boy, Community Member

03:33:11 Saundra Hanlin, Community Member

03:35:31 Linette Adonai, Community Member

3:38:06 Tammy Kevwitch, Community Member

EXHIBIT(jhh16a12)

03:40:59 Gary Travis, Community Member

EXHIBIT(jhh16a13)

03:43:29 Sandy Granger, Livingston Drop-in Center

03:45:57 Shirley Gasek, Community Member

03:48:07 Jean Flack, Community Member

03:51:11 Linda Reinhart, Western Montana Mental Health Center (WMMHC)

EXHIBIT(jhh16a14)

03:52:57 David Torgerson, Community Member

03:55:17 Alicia Smith, Community Member

03:57:26 Russ Ritter, Veteran's Association (VA)

03:58:42 Erin Howard, Community Member

04:00:45 Jim Cashell, Sheriff, Gallatin County

04:03:19 Ron Stoker, Ravalli County Mental Health

EXHIBIT(jhh16a15)

04:09:06 Bruce Ellession, Community Member

04:10:28 Leslie Carson, Community Member

04:13:01 Jennifer Buseck, Community Member

04:15:44 Angie Fingerson, Community Member

04:19:50 Aimee Grmoljez, Montana Nurses Association

04:21:53 Dan Aune, Executive Director, American Health of Montana

04:22:50 Mike Foster, Catholic Hospitals of Montana

04:24:36 Patty Jogs, Community Member

04:26:31 Anita Roessman, Disability Rights Montana

04:26:55 Michael Caruso, Community Member

04:29:32 Mary Dalton, DPHHS

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 04:30:13

Miranda Keaster, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits

[EXHIBIT\(jhh16a16\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jhh16a17\)](#)

Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jhh16aad.pdf](#))