



**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH  
PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

April 28, 2011  
3:30 – 5:00 PM

**Members Present:** Senora Simpson, Effie Smith, Rosa Hamlett, Richard Flintrop, Yvonne Smith, Vivian Smith

**Absent:** Leslie Bell-Davis, Joyce Drumming, Angela Frank, Shannon Hall, Chasel Smith, Kathrin Wright, Audrey Reed Brown, Deborah Bear, Helen Bergman, Nan Roman, Byron Stith, Chet Gray, Sue Marshall, Jennifer Lav, Matt Rosen, Mary Jean DiPietro

**Guest:** Masipula Sithole, Jr. (graduate student invited by Mary Jean DiPietro)

**Staff Present:** Steve Baron, Barbara Bazron, Phyllis Jones

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**I. Call to Order – Senora Simpson**

The meeting was called to order by Senora Simpson.

**II. Review/Approval of Minutes of October**

The minutes of March 24, 2011 were reviewed and approved on a motion by Yvonne Smith seconded by Rosa Hamlett.

**III. Director's Report**

Announcements – Director Baron announced the following: (1) the Second Annual Family and Friends Day at Saint Elizabeths Hospital will be on Sunday, May 2, 2011. Two memorial dedications will be made –a courtyard to Nancy Lee Head and a house to Dr. Kenneth Gorelick and (2) Mayor Gray toured the Hospital today and talked with patients and staff for about 45 minutes.

**FY 12 Budget** – Director Baron reported that there are no changes to the proposed FY 12 Budget. The Deputy Mayor is very supportive of DMH. DMH is working to restore proposed reduction to CFSA funded services and mental health rehabilitation services with additional savings from Medicaid eligible individuals.

**Data Requests** – Director Baron provided the following information as requested: 1) The Hospital census had decreased 25% over the last two years from 375 to 280 (on the civil side the decrease was 30%); 2) Acute care utilization for the first five months was about 73 involuntary care admissions to a bed with the breakdown as follows: three to Saint Elizabeths; seven to the Washington Hospital Center; 30 at Providence Hospital, and 35 at the United Medical Center.

**IV. Staff Reports:**

- Dr. Barbara Bazron briefly discussed recommendations from the Community Residential Facilities (CRF) Taskforce. .
- Patricia Thompson distributed information about the 2011 Dixon Adult Community Services Review (CSR). Highlights included the sample demographics, overall adult system performance, the overall person status and system performance, key indicators, the system strengths/growth areas and the system challenges.

**V. Old Business:** None

**VI. New Business:** None

**VII. Adjournment:** The next meeting date is May 26, 2011.