

WASHINGTON STATE CHAPTER OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE TREATMENT OF SEXUAL ABUSERS

BOARD MEETING: VIRTUAL MEETING VIA GOTOMEETING PLATFORM

01.21.2022

9:00 –10:00 A.M.

Attendees

H. Coryell; L. Trifiletti; D. Winter; P. Grant; C. Woolery; P. Hannon; C. McNally; M. O'Connell;
J. Pelander A. Radosteva; M. Reese; J. Johnson-Riley.

Absent

R. Beattey

Agenda

Agency Updates (DOC, SCC, DCYF)
Eastern WA
DOH Advisory Committee
Treasury
Membership
Program Committee

- Are we still considering an in-person retreat in Fall? If so, we need to settle on a location
- February- Dr. Weister from Harborview; March- DOC/ SCC; April- Jo Langsdorf on the latest apps
- Dom- how can we help you with getting things set up for March
- Dominic Winter elected to President Elect position by a vote of membership. Will take over President position 1/1/24.

1. Vote to remove Holly from the WATSA Key Bank account and add Lisa
2. Annual documents to ATSA (Taxes)

DOC Update (C. McNally; M. Reese, D. Winter): Graduated re-entry program continues to move forward. Committee set up to review offenders they may have missed during initial screening process. Low applicants for King County Positions (therapists, GRE positions, lower-risk, telehealth). Hiring has been difficult resulting in calls for management to work in the prison due to low staffing levels. Requested ideas/goals for upcoming DOC meeting. May separate March DOC/SCC meeting.

SCC Update (H. Coryell, A. Radosteva): SCC is working to return to in-person treatment and case management as they continue to address concerns about Covid. The SCC has engaged in community outreach with a positive response although a secure facility in Snohomish has not been located.

Juvenile Rehabilitation Update (J. Pelander): New Covid variant has taken a toll on staff and clients. Six of eight facilities are on quarantine which has disrupted treatment. Headquarter staff are covering shifts and taking kids to appts. Looking for a provider in Eastern, WA. Numbers are low in general from 110 juveniles 5-10 years ago to 44 last year. Many youth now staying at county level for SSODA likely due to assault 4 with sex motivation becoming a qualifying offense for SSODA.

DOH Advisory Committee Update (C. McNally): The committee will be reviewing the entire WAC pertaining to SOTPs. Advisory committee is going through each section to provide recommendations; public may comment. Discussions ongoing regarding high cost of the license. May reach out to universities in an attempt to increase providers in field. Discussed increased

difficulty in getting new providers due to the new requirement for an underlying mental health license.

[Eastern Washington Update \(P. Hannon\)](#): Group meetings continue via Zoom due to Covid. Limited providers.

[Membership Update \(M. Reese\)](#): Many renewed memberships, 3 new memberships, 15 outstanding,

Meetings

February- Dr. Weister from Harbor View regarding child abuse investigations

March-(DOC joint meeting)- Chaperone Training

April- Internet applications by Jo Landsdorf .

Business Items

Board voted and unanimously approved to remove Holly Coryell, past president from the WATSA Key Bank account and add Lisa Trifiletti, current president.

Program Committee– Discussed the pros/cons of an in-person retreat in September. Will look into rates/locations/Covid restrictions for retreat. Seabeck, OR recommended for possible retreat location. Discussed shifting retreat back to Spring and conference to Winter. Will email program committee to follow-up.

Additional upcoming training opportunities: The SOTIPS/ ROSAC/ VASOR-2 training will be rescheduled, date TBD.

Sex Offender Policy Board –(Pelander)- Conversations regarding juvenile reports began and will continue. Short session may impede discussions. No specific bills directly related to two reports as of yet.

Treasurer Report –The balance is \$44,811.66. No expenditures this month. Taxes will be prepared and submitted next week.

Legislative Updates – None.

Agenda items for future meetings

1. Update chapter bylaws
 - a. Training for new board members
2. Resource list on website for families of youth with sexual behavior problems
3. RSO study provided by Brad Meryhew
4. Board member qualifications and expectations/ clarify when election should be sent out
5. WATSA booth at Children's Justice Conference- Fall 2022