

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

ORDINANCE NO. 393

An Ordinance establishing the Multnomah County Mental Health Advisory Committee, and declaring an emergency.

Multnomah County ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. DEFINITION:

As used in this chapter, unless the context requires otherwise, "Committee" means the Multnomah County Mental Health Advisory Committee.

SECTION 2. PURPOSE:

In order to comply with the requirements of ORS 430.630(8), there is hereby formally established a Multnomah County Mental Health Advisory Committee. The Committee shall:

1. Serve in an advisory capacity to Multnomah County Social Services on all matters related to the needs, priorities and programs within the following four program areas: mentally and emotionally disturbed, alcohol abusers, drug abusers, and mentally retarded/developmentally disabled; and
2. Participate with other agencies, groups and interested persons in the promotion of community awareness of mental health needs and services.

SECTION 3. MEMBERS:

The Committee shall be composed of fifteen (15) members who shall be appointed by the County Executive. The membership of the Committee shall be as described below:

- a) Two (2) members of the Mental-Emotional Disabilities Board, nominated by that Board;
- b) Two (2) members from the Multnomah Council on Chemical Dependency;

- c) Two (2) members from the Developmental Disabilities Council, nominated by that Council;
- d. Seven (7) citizen members who are currently neither providers nor consumers of mental health services. Six of these seven members shall be assigned to provide additional liaison with one of the disability Boards/Councils;
- e) One (1) representative of the Justice Coordinating Council; and
- f) One (1) Ex-Offender.

SECTION 4. TERM:

An appointment to the Committee shall be for one three year term. A member may be reappointed for a second three year term.

- a) One-third (1/3) of the Committee shall be appointed each year.
- b) One full year must elapse after the expiration of the second term before a member of the Committee may be reappointed.
- c) A member may resign from the Committee by submitting a written and signed resignation to the Chairperson of the Committee. Whenever possible, the member's resignation should be submitted to the Chairperson at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of the resignation.

SECTION 5. VACANCIES:

A vacancy on the Committee shall be filled by appointment of the County Executive. When a vacancy occurs in the middle of an expired term, the Committee shall recommend an appointee consistent with composition requirements specified above.

SECTION 6. COMPENSATION:

Members shall receive no compensation for serving on the Committee.

SECTION 7. MEETINGS:

- a) Regular meetings of the Committee shall be held monthly at a mutually agreed upon time and place. For good cause and upon giving at least three days notice to all members of the Committee and notice to the public as required by ORS 192.640 the Chairperson may change the date, time, or place of a regular meeting.
- b) For good cause and upon giving at least three days' notice to all members and notice to the public as required by ORS 192.640 of the Committee, any member of the Committee may call a special meeting of the Committee at any reasonable date, time and place to consider any matter properly brought before the Committee.
- c) Any Committee member who misses three consecutive meetings of the Committee, without a reasonable excuse approved by the Chairperson, shall be subject to removal by a majority vote of the Committee.
- d) A quorum of the Committee is required to conduct any official business at a regular or special meeting of the Board. A majority of the Committee members shall constitute a quorum.
- e) The current edition of Roberts Rules of Order shall govern the conduct of all regular and special meetings of the Committee and its standing and/or special committees.

SECTION 8. OFFICERS:

The officers of the Committee shall be a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and a Secretary, to be elected from the members of the Committee. Each shall serve for a period of one (1) year, or until his or her successor takes office, if no successor takes office upon expiration of the one (1) year term. A vacancy created during a regular term of office shall be filled by a special election by the Committee.

SECTION 9. SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

The chairperson may appoint such committees as are required for the adequate functioning of the organization. Such committees shall function during the term of office of the Chairperson who appointed them.

SECTION 10. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Any member of the Committee who has special interest in any matter before the Committee shall so inform the Committee and refrain from voting on the matter. However, the interested member may participate in any discussion by the Committee of such matter.

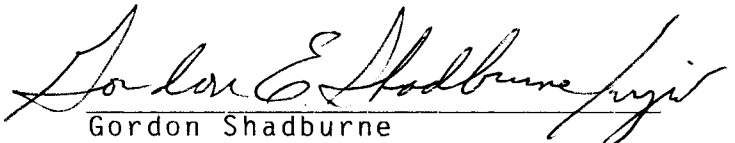
SECTION 11. ADOPTION:

This ordinance being necessary for the health, safety and general welfare of the people of Multnomah County in order for the Committee to address the immediate concerns that are pending in the Mental Health field, shall take effect upon signature of the County Executive, according to Section 5.50 of the Charter of Multnomah County.

Adopted this 8th day of September, 1983, being the day of its First Reading before the Board of County Commissioners of Multnomah County, Oregon.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

(SEAL)


Gordon Shadburne
Presiding Officer

Authenticated this 12th day of September 1983


Dennis Buchanan
County Executive

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