

**The Arlington Community Services Board
2120 Washington Blvd
Arlington, VA 22204**

**Substance Use Disorder Committee Meeting
Monday, March 25, 2019**

Attendees: Jenette O’Keefe, Suzanne Somerville, Shawn Buckner, Steve Pottmyer, Paul Kalchbrenner, Bobbie Jaeger

Absent: Jim Mack, Tom Walker, Lonnie Ford, Len Fischer, Grant Furick and Wes Sanchez

The meeting began at 7:00 p.m.

I. Introductions – There were no new attendees.

II. Chairperson’s Report – Jenette O’Keefe, Current SUD Chair

- a. Jenette discussed the status of the budget request for FY2020. She updated the committee on recent developments in advocating for the 1 FTE position for SU services.
- b. Members were reminded that there is a public hearing on April 2, at which people can speak to address issues to the Board.
- c. She reminded everyone about the 50th CSB Anniversary that will take place on March 27 in front of the 2100 Washington Blvd building. Mark Schwartz, Deborah Warren, Scott Brannon and Christian Dorsey are slated to speak.
- d. The OAR Second Chance breakfast was also discussed. This will happen on April 9. If anyone is interested, Jim Mack is a good contact.
- e. Jenette led a discussion on marijuana and CBD - usage, characteristics, medical implications. She also mentioned the major 3/26 Wash Post article regarding recovery.

III. DHS Staff Report – Suzanne Somerville

- a. Updates from programs:
Two staff resigned recently. The positions are drug court therapist and the ACT Unit program manager. Both are being recruited. In the meantime, staff are covering programs as well as possible.
- b. Discussed the significance of Medicaid expansion and how this will probably not be as much of a revenue boost at the state hopes. Discussed how this impacts people with SUD. For many of our clients, they are more likely to qualify for Medicaid now and can use it to pay for SUD services.

IV. AARI

Steve reported out about AARI updates. He talked about the upcoming community outreach plans, Safe Station and drug take back boxes.

V. Committee Members' New Business/Comments/Follow up Discussion

The video on Recovery Health and Science called "Sober Stories of Recovery" was recommended.

Unfortunately, Steve announced that he is leaving the area so he will no longer be able to participate in the Committee after May.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 22, at 7:00 p.m. at Sequoia 3, Room 115.