**National Council for Mental Wellbeing**

Association Executives Meeting Summary Notes

Tuesday, October 17, 2023

2:00 – 3:00 p.m. ET

Participants: Laura Aldinger, Karen Campbell, Gian-Carl Casa, James Childers, John Drebinger, Mark Drennan, Richard Edley, Robin Garrett, Shannon Hall, Jesse Hambrick, Heather Jefferis, Lance Johnson, Mark LeVota, Holly, McCorkle, Maggie McCowen, Diane Novy, Jin Palen, Carolyn Petrak, Mary Linden Salter, Flora Schmidt, Anna Sever, Ben Shuberg, Alysia Smith-Knight, John Solomon, Chris Stoner-Mertz, John Tassoni, Julie Tessler, Marissa Williams and Mary Windecker.

Staff in Attendance: Chuck Ingoglia, Deanna Roepke, Will Seto, Brett Beckerson, Neal Comstock, Peter Delia, Erin Griebe, Dave Hirsch, Stephanie Katz, Erika Leuchte, Keisha Pitts, Aaron Polacek, Katherine Seibel, and Reyna Taylor.

**Summary Notes:**

**Opening Remarks** – Jin Palen

**Federal Update** – Reyna Taylor

Reyna discussed policy updates and the need for a new speaker of the House. Hill Day. She noted that the Peers Act hasn't been introduced yet. Reyna also discussed regulatory developments, including comments due on a proposed overtime rule from the Department of Labor. She also described how we will have an in-Person Hill Day in June.

**Association Executives Survey Review** – Neal Comstock & Keisha Pitts

(Survey results presentation shared on Engage and via email). Neal reported that we got a total of 41 responses, representing 65% of our membership. Keisha reviewed portions of the survey results related to policy and advocacy.

**Closing Remarks** – Jin Palen

Jinny introduced two new Association Executives -

* Anna Sever, Executive Director of the Tennessee Suicide Prevention Network, and
* Karen Campbell, Assistant Director of the Oklahoma Behavioral Health Association.

**Next Association Executives meeting**

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