

**Consumer Advisory Council**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**3/16/2023**

**Location:** Manistee Friendship Society

**Attendance:** Jason Baker, Laila Adamczak, Tana Baker

**Guests:** Members of Manistee Friendship Society

**Called to Order:** 1pm

**Old Business:**

Motion to approve February 16 meeting minutes by: Jason, seconded by: Laila. All in favor. February 16 meeting minutes approved.

- The council would like to:
  - Advocate for victims of domestic violence; raise awareness
  - Get the word out about what resources/services are available to the community
    - Resource guide?
    - Community resource networking event?
  - Learn about CWN policy/procedures
  - Invite the following to speak at future meetings:
    - CWN Executive Director Chip Johnston
    - Benzie Human Services Collaborative
    - Manistee County Human Services Collaborative Body
    - Karen Goodman, CWN COO – Carter Kits
- Danyal updated open meeting posters with Drop-In addresses and posted them at BCRC and MWC

**New Business:**

- Volunteer Reimbursement Sheets – Completed
- Introductions
  - Any council members here today? Laila, Jason, and Tana self-identified as members
  - What does the Consumer Advisory Council do? Discussed with group
- Upcoming events
  - Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup> – St. Patty’s Day party at Manistee Friendship Society
    - 12:30pm-1:30pm: Lucky Bingo & Wear Green Drawing
  - Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> – Polar Plunge for Special Olympics
    - At Little River Casino, registration starts at 11am, plunge starts at 1pm
    - [www.plungemi.org](http://www.plungemi.org)
  - Any other events coming up? Sabrina from MFS discussed upcoming events
- Open Discussion/Questions: Lots of great conversation about local events and mental health
- Next MFS Open Meeting: September 14<sup>th</sup>

**Adjournment:** 1:45pm

**Next Meeting:** Closed Meeting: April 27<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm

**Facilitator/Minutes by:** Danyal Englebrecht-Blakeslee, Recipient Rights Specialist/Customer Service