Mental Health Association of Wells County
Minutes
February 28, 2010

The Mental Health Association met on February 28, 2010, in the Wells Carnegie Annex at 6:30 p.m. Those attending were Dee McClurg, Diane Schwarzkopf, Nancy Bonham, Jean Reef, Gwen Payne, Bill Hanson, Ashley Stinson, June Grove, Pete Cole, and Paul Bonham. A motion was made by Pete Cole to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Ashley Stinson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. A motion was made by Jean Reef to approve the Treasurer’s report. Paul Bonham seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:

There was no report from the Education Comm. Ashley Stinson did say that the committee felt as though we should scale back on the number of projects.

Newsletter: The articles for the next newsletter will be due March 8th.

No other committee reports were given.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Ashley had prepared a list of the ideas and projects discussed at the meeting on Feb. 8th. The list was passed out to those present to see who would be interested in serving on the various project listed. Ashley will compile these lists and get the results out prior to the next meeting. A new name for the Association was discussed and it was felt as though the name “Mental Health” was deterrent for people. With the words “recovery and behavioral” as the buzzwords, a motion was made by Paul Bonham to change the name to Behavioral and Recovery Resource Center of Wells County. Jean Reef seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Pete Cole said he would check out any legal findings before we would officially change the name.

Dee McClurg stated that with the budget cuts at the state level have hit Healthy Families and Family Centered Services. The ACLU is suing the State in regards to the cut backs as it pertains to children. These organizations are going to need lots of help.

The next meeting will be on March 8th at 6:30 P.M. in the annex and Dee McClurg will have a speaker from the ComPeer program in Fort Wayne.

The Wells County Health Fair was mentioned and we need the date for the fair. The Wells County Council on Aging will be contacted to see about getting a different spot at the Senior Expo and will discuss at the next meeting. The date for the Volunteer Day at the Logansport Hospital will be April 15th.

Next meeting to be March 8, 2010 at the Annex at 6:30 P.M.