

REGION 3

SERVING GEM, CANYON, PAYETTE, OWYHEE, WASHINGTON, AND ADAMS COUNTIES

Behavioral Health Board

Meeting Minutes

July 24, 2019

Region 3 Behavioral Health Board member's attendance call:

Kelly Aberasturi	Chuck Christiansen	Penny Dunham
Richard Ferrara	Jeri Gowen	Joy Husmann (absent)
Penny Jones	Tricia Lofton	Cynthia Mauzerall (absent)
Melissa Mezo	Gina Osterloth (absent)	Victoria Patterson
Laura Raynor	Mark Rekow (absent)	Marc Shigeta
Lina Smith (absent)	Dahlia Stender	Michelle Sundquist
Heather Taylor	Susan Wiebe (absent)	Alex Zamora (absent)

Others present:

Gina Wescott	Megan Segars	Deidra Hawkins
Brennan Serrano	Samantha Hill	Preston Keller
Brenda Willson	Jeff Cappe	Cristina Froude
Sarah Andrade	Michelle Barker	Joe Langan
Joe Marti	Bernie Wolinski	

CALL TO ORDER:

Melissa Mezo called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. There was enough presence for a quorum after taking an attendance call.

ACTION ITEM: REVIEW AND APPROVE 06/26/2019 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

There were no changes to 06/26/2019 Behavioral Health Board (BHB) meeting minutes.

MOTION:

The minutes for 06/26/2019 were approved. Motion carried by unanimous approval.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Executive Committee reviewed the attendance roster for board members; there were no issues. The Committee discussed the process on addressing more than two consecutive absences. The process will be for the Executive Committee to review and then a vote from the Behavioral Health Board members. Julie Trana resigned from the Board which leaves the Mental Health Treatment Provider position vacant. The Committee approved Michelle Sundquist as the newest board member; filling the open Adult Corrections position.

UPDATE ITEM: RENEWAL OF BHB CONTRACT

The renewal of the BHB contract was discussed. The Chair and Vice Chair met with the Director of Southwest District Health (SWDH) to review information in the contract between the BHB and SWDH. Any changes will be brought back to the Board for review at the August BHB meeting. The current contract expires this September.

UPDATE ITEM: GRANT PURSUING POLICY

A grant pursuing policy was discussed. How the process for searching for grants and applying for these grants? Tricia Lofton receives emails on grants and she can forward these emails to Linda Pratzner for distribution. The board members agreed grants focusing on transportation and housing would be beneficial.

DISCUSSION ITEM: REGIONAL EMPOWERMENT AWARDS NOMINATION FROM R3

The Regional Empowerment Award is given to an individual who has been a champion in the fight against opioid epidemic. The nominee must be a resident of Idaho and a person actively involved in the fight against opioids. Please send any nominations to Linda Pratzner.

Action Item: Linda Pratzner will send out the nomination form.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER UPDATES

Commissioner Shigeta presented. Last Friday Heather Taylor and the SWDH Director attended a meeting to give an update on the Crisis Center. Also at this meeting the Governor created a new group called Intergovernmental Affairs to engage with county officials. This group will help with concerns on Oregon residents entering Idaho's behavioral health system. Commissioner Aberasturi reported the new Community Center is complete and open in Homedale, Idaho. There was a grand opening for the Community Center.

STATE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD UPDATE

Penny Jones presented. She will be attending a workshop on July 29-30 at Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. The group will be reviewing new applicants for the State Planning Council and going through the Governor's Report to streamline the questionnaire. Penny will be attending the monthly Statewide Behavioral Health Board Leadership Call.

REVIEW MONTHLY REVENUE/EXPENSE REPORT

Linda Pratzner presented. The Professional Services charges of \$752.00 and the Miscellaneous Expenditures was a charge for mileage reimbursement for a board member to attend the BHB meeting.

DIVISION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH (DBH) UPDATE

Heather Taylor and Gina Wescott presented. The Medicaid Expansion goes live January 1st. As of July 1st, Self-Reliance began their informed choice conversations with food stamp renewal customers. On August 19th from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. there will be a Medicaid Expansion listening session. All providers and stakeholders are encouraged to attend. To attend in person, go to the main entrance of the Idaho Medicaid at 3232 Elder Street, Boise or attendees can register to attend via WebEx.

Action: Heather Taylor will send to Linda Pratzner for distribution.

RECOVERY CENTER AND RECOVERY SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES

Chuck Christensen presented the update. There was a scheduled Recovery Subcommittee meeting on July 23rd. There was no representation from the Recovery Centers. The Canyon County Recovery Center will be hosting a BBQ at Memorial Park on September 7th and the Gem Recovery Center will be hosting its annual IROAR event. Due to the low attendance there was not another meeting scheduled

Action: Linda Pratzner will send out an email to the Recovery Centers to find out if they need help with any Recovery Day activities.

CRISIS CENTER UPDATE

Christina Froude presented the update. At the end of June there were 135 services provided. Average length of stay was 13 hours and 33 minutes. Primarily clients are from Canyon County. The main issue is transportation to the Crisis Center and most do not have health insurance coverage. Self-referrals are the primary source of client seeking services. The majority of clients have Medicaid for insurance. The crisis center is getting law enforcement drop-offs. Richard Ferrara expressed concerns on the criteria to be able to drop off clients at the Crisis Center. The Crisis Center have developed cards with criteria on who can be admitted which can be given to law enforcement for further assistance. Cristina Froude and Heather Taylor will meet with Richard Ferrara to address these concerns after the BHB meeting.

PARTNERSHIP FOR SUCCESS (PFS) GRANT

Jeff Cappe presented. Jeff attended the last Children's Mental Health/Provider Subcommittee and reviewed the PFS Action Plan plus the budget. The amendment to the PFS Grant was approved and signed. The Project Coordinator of the PFS will be invited to speak at the September BHB meeting.

COMMUNITY PARTNERS' UPDATES

Samantha Hill from Idaho Public Television is working with the Women and Children's Alliance in conjunction with Idaho Department of Corrections and hold parenting classes. Please let Samantha know if you would like to volunteer.

Ambitions of Idaho are holding SUD groups and new parenting groups. This week the bilingual SUDS group started at the Caldwell location.

Deidre Hawkins, Division of Behavioral Health will be starting a Family Advisory Group in November. If anyone knows a family who has been through the mental health system with their children and would be a good part in this advisory group, please let her know.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:13 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

The next Behavioral Health Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday August 28, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. The next Children's Mental Health/Provider Subcommittee is scheduled Friday, August 16, 2019 at 11:00am