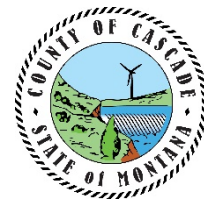




Cascade County Mental Health Local Advisory Council Agenda



Monday, June 6th, 2022
Zoom Virtual meeting

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1:30-3:00pm

Return to Linda Daggett 415 6th Ave. S. Great Falls 59405

Members Present Jennifer Whitfield, Capt. John Schaffer, Shawn Matsko, Tom Osborn, Susie McIntyre, Randy Lynes, Commissioner Don Ryan, Greg Tilton, Ginny Carnes, Linda Daggett

Guests Present None

Public Comment The meeting was convened at 2:30 by Jennifer, Chair. She called for public comment and there was none.

Presentation Tom Osborn and Susie McIntyre from North Central Independent Living (NCILS) and the Library Project. presented a proposal:

- Tom requested that our CCMHLAC act as the Advisory Board to the Community Outreach Project with NCILS, the Public Library, Alluvion and the Center for Mental Health.
- The LAC would serve as a sounding board, act in advisory capacity, identify outcomes.
- Susie has overviewed the project formation document and the Library signed the Memorandum of Understanding. This MOU is waiting for Alluvion's comment.
- Jennifer suggested that we add a business associates' agreement (BAA) to the MOU prior to finalizing it.
- James from CMH PACT Team reviewed the Project plan and stated that it is a very good pilot project.
- Susie explained that LAC is being asked for support for measurable objectives and feedback on how they are working. Objectives are: fewer calls to police, diversion from jail and the ER, recidivism, increased use of Mental Health treatment court.
- It was the consensus of the group to allow the CCMHLAC to be the Advisory Board for the Community Outreach Project with NCILS, the Public Library, Alluvion, and the Center for Mental Health.
- Final approval will be given when the agreement is finalized and presented to the LAC.

Minutes from May 2022 The minutes were emailed and presented .

Finance Report No changes from last month's report.

Motion & Joint Approval of Minutes and Finances Motion to approve: Ginny and seconded by Randy. Motion passed

New Business

Survey Results for Meeting Date/Time - Jennifer reported that after the survey, there will be no change in date or time. She will notify Kevin that another representative will need to be appointed from the hospital.

Other - No other New business.

Continued Business

Mini-Grant Form Provided to Commissioner Ryan - Commissioner Ryan reported that the Commission did approve the mini-grant form.

- Jennifer will email form to Susie, and she will put it out to agencies through press releases.
- The money is available through the Central Service Area Authority (CSAA) and Behavioral Health Advisory Council (BHAC).

- Some targeted mini-grant uses may be: Stop the Stigma, rural outreach.
- It was suggested we set aside some grant money for our own website/Facebook goal. Jennifer will look into resources willing to set up and manage a Facebook page, so we know what to ask for. Jen will email a summary of the proposal to the Council members.
- Our Facebook goal now is to connect with those agencies wanting funding. The website is managed by the County.
- Timeline: Distribute the application in July with August return date. Approved proposals will be sent to CSAA in September.
- Jennifer will email the form, press release, distribution timeline, and include the guidelines.
- Selection of proposals should be in line with our strategic plan.

Strategic Plan – Jennifer reported that is a work on progress. It was noted that as part of our events goal, LAC has a connecting role for the suicide prevention event with Stop the Stigma week in September. We need help with planning and volunteers.

Website/Facebook - Jennifer reported that as part of our Strategic plan, she will work on that as discussed earlier.

Representative Reports

North Central MT – Crisis Intervention Collaborative (NCMT-CIC) – John reported they are focusing on strategies to deal with those utilizing a great deal of time and money.

Mobile Response Team – John reported:

- There are increased calls but also increased capacity.
- New Mental Health Specialist has been responsive.

Mental Health Court – John Reported that the person utilizing the court is doing well.

Suicide Prevention Committee - Greg reported: The goal of the Committee was Community Coalition and that is still happening.

Central Service Area Authority (CSAA) Report - Jennifer reported:

- No May meeting minutes yet, but the Board met. She will email minutes when they are available.
- Working on getting the money out.
- Agenda includes Montana State Hospital, and legislative engagement, planning for CSAA
- The Western Service Area Authority is rebuilding and our CSAA is assisting with bylaws, application process, etc. to help them rebuild.

MT Peer Network Report - Ginny reported:

- Did strategic planning.
- June 29th is an 8-5 class for Peer coaching. It is free of charge. Jen will distribute the flier for this class.

BHAC Report - Greg reported that the meeting was cancelled, no report.

Healthy Lives/Vibrant Futures - Susie reported:

- They met and are now focusing more on Post-natal care, substance abuse prevention, and youth mental health issues.
- They have been notified of possible grants.

National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI) - Randy reported:

- Awareness Walk will be over the bridge and in the mall.
- He went to Family class training and will offer a family class here in September.
- There will be a NAMI table at Farmers Market this summer with information sharing.
- There is a NAMI conference online. Jennifer will send out information on it.

Library - Susie reported:

- Have received a grant from a geriatric group in Missoula doing a Memory Café' social group. This is a social connection for Alzheimer's and dementia patients and their care-givers.
- There will be an onsite visit for the Library Master Plan process. It may involve a mil levy in the long term.

Community Reports/Announcements from Board Members

Greg: He attended an Interfaith Alliance, and their focus is on homelessness.

Next Meeting: Following discussion, no July meeting will be held in observance of the 4th of July holiday. Next meeting is August 1st, 2022, 1:30-3:00pm via Zoom.

Adjourn Meeting was adjourned at 3:05 PM by Jennifer Whitfield, Chair.

Jennifer Whitfield, Chair

Date