

Mental Health Local Advisory Committee for Blaine County Meeting

February 15, 2017

Meeting Called to order @ 10:04

Present: Tina Mord, Frank Billmayer, Mary Pyette, Dolores Plumage, Haley Velk, Amber Huestis, Jana McPherson Hauer, Ms. DeLong, Deb Anderson and Brandi King

Treasures report:

\$2311.99 in checking. There is a CD from the prevention team coming to maturity but has not been passed to us to spend yet.

Public Comment:

Mary reported that the senior center needs more people to come down and enjoy their meals and activities.

Presentation:

Frank Billmayer gave a presentation of CIT (Crisis Intervention Team) and the training and services they provide. <http://www.citmontana.org/> Passed out a paper with resource information on it.

Highline is in need of services. There is a crisis house in Cascade County. A future goal might be for Blaine and Hill County LAC's to work with CIT on a possible crisis house or hub along the highline. Health Department will start with discussion with Hill County.

Non-Profit Status: Amber presented the following findings on the process.

Steps to Becoming a Nonprofit

1. File Articles of Incorporation & By Laws w/ Montana SOS by mailing them to:

Montana Secretary of State
Business Services/Corporation Unit
PO Box 202801
Helena, MT 59620-2801

Include a \$20 filing fee. You will need to include the original documents, with signatures.

2. File IRS form SS-4, which is an application for an Employer Identification Number, or EIN. This can be done electronically on the IRS website.
Applying for the EIN is free.

3. Prepare IRS form 1023, which is the Application for Recognition of Exemption under Section 501(c)(3). The recommendation is to consult with a CPA who understands nonprofits well. Once the paperwork is sent in with the user fee, approval will take up to 3 or 4 months or more. If gross receipts **have not** exceeded \$10,000 annually, the user fee is \$400.
4. After receiving IRS approval, file a “Tax Exempt Status Request” with the Department of Revenue.

Old Business

AMDD: Nothing from Jane. Tina passes along some stuff via email. The minutes are on the Website.

CSAA: No one was able to attend the last meeting. Looking to push for the use of MetNet meetings. The cost for reimbursement for driving and the time commitment are difficult. If they were conducted MEtNet more of our LAC can attend.

C4MN: Is at SMC from 10-2 one day a week and is full at this time there might be a wait list.

YDI: Still offering services in our area. Looking for therapist at this time along with mentors.

SMC: no report

Bullhook: Have four mental health providers at this time.

Training: November 4th Aces training was cancelled. Tina reported of a webinar with SAMSA for 1st responders and law enforcement along with school safety plan for children that need it. It helps provide situational outlooks that help officers and family during an incident. Also Crisis Intervention Training for Law Enforcement was discussed.

Public Health Department: Facilitated a meeting between Law Enforcement, Attorneys, Emergency Room Hospital and Behavioral Health Personnel on involuntary commitments. It went well was a good discussion.

Commissioners: Dolores reported the Bear Paw Development was working with the Department of Commerce on a CDBG grant for some dorm housing out in the Hays area for homeless students. Not sure how the county fits into it and what it all entails yet. Will be more information to come after some meetings with the school and the Tribal Council along with County Superintendent and Commissioners.

Fort Belknap Community Advocate: Brandi King gave a report on her program.

New Business

Shawna Billmayer through the Tristan Billmayer Memorial Fund would like to bring in a school speaker for all of 9C.

Next meeting: March 15th.

Meeting adjourned at 11:04 motion made by Frank and Seconded by Tina