

## Mental Health Local Advisory Committee for Blaine County Meeting

March 15, 2017

Meeting Called to order @ 10:01

Legislative update was added to the agendas new business.

Present:

Tina Mord, Mary Pyette, Dolores Plumage, Haley Velk, Jana McPherson Hauer, and Deb Anderson

### **Treasures report:**

\$2052.95 in checking.

### **Public Comment:**

Mary reported that the senior center needs more people to come down and enjoy their meals and activities. They have an adult coloring table that is good therapy, puzzle table and Card tables. They have potluck next Monday. Next Tuesday is their cancer support group and they are going to be discussing the relay for life. Blaine and Hill Counties have combined and it will be held in Havre on June 23<sup>rd</sup>. They need more teams. Sharon Reed has a blanket she is raffling to raise money for it. Sweet Medical Center will be giving an update on their facility the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in April and there will be kids singing for them the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in May.

### **Presentation:**

None

### **Old Business**

**AMDD:** Jane was on the phone during the meeting. Not a lot to report due to legislative session. DPHHS has travel restrictions in place, no overtime and a hiring freeze due to budget constraints. Jane can still travel but minimal.

**CSAA:** Just following the legislative session. Restructuring of the group is in progress. The access to the meetings limits the participation so looking to resolve that. When available Tina will have the April Congress Dates.

**Non Profit:** Jana reported she contacted SMC to see if we could partner with them under their umbrella of nonprofit (that is how Bullhook and Hill County LAC operate). Nothing have been heard back from them. Did talk to CEO and it was discussed at Board of Health meeting with a SMC Board Member. We really would like to try for this option before going out on our own.

**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. Hillary was working on getting the Malta office to cover Hays better. There are some telehealth services being provided but actual face to face contact needs to happen.

**Juvenile Probation:** Still having some referral issues as services are not offered in our area. Or there is limited resources in the families to get to these services. Have been seeing an increase in assaults. There are a lot of Mental Health diagnoses but not receiving treatment or services and yet others need the diagnoses. Lots of referrals and Tina is doing weekly face to face till they get connected. Tina is attending IEP meetings and coordinating services so doing case management. Have families coming back to Tina for preventative needs and care from both previous youth and or families that have received services in the past. Tina did a CIT follow-up with Brett and there is a 6 bed facility in Great Falls but it is locals first. He doesn't travel to the highline like we thought. He is looking at getting telehealth in the area. Also he will do some stuff over skype.

**SMC:** no report

**Bullhook:** Have four mental health providers at this time.

**Public Health Department:** holding "Living Life Well" class with Extension. Flyers are out. Also, holding educational presentation in the evenings. The next one is resources for families. Are looking at partnering with SMC to get a presentation put on by a behavior specialized, haven't heard back from SMC.

**Commissioners:** Nothing to report

**Fort Belknap Community Advocate:** Nothing to report

### New Business

#### **Legislative update:**

Jane reported HB 381 is a bill that requires schools to provide suicide education and prevention. This is needed but funding may be an issue and then pir days or whom will be trained and how they will train others may be too. There is some talk of using some Juvenile Probation moneys for some of this.

#### **Additional Discussion:**

Had a request from out at Fort Belknap for another Mental Health 1<sup>st</sup> Aid class. Will be put on next months agenda. If we plan and get it put on a calendar might get some more school staff to attend.

Next meeting: April 19<sup>th</sup> at 10AM.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 motion made by Tina and Seconded by Haley, motion passed.