

Mental Health Local Advisory Council Meeting for Blaine County

May 17th Meeting was called to order at 10:05.

Present: Tina Mord, Mary Pyette, Janice Griebel, Tammy Jungers, Haley Velk, Frank Billmayer, and Jana McPherson-Hauer

Minutes will be sent out for review.

TREASURER REPORT: \$2052.95

PRESENTATIONS: Jana McPherson-Hauer was going to present on Blaine County statistic preview from CHA. However, we changed meeting places. She will present next month.

OLD BUSINESS:

AMDD: Jane wasn't available due to meeting in Helena. Tina reported during CSAA Congress that AMDD shared information about SOAR Works, PATH program, and MH contact person being Mary LeMieux.

CSAA: Tina shared CSAA held their board meeting and Congress in Helena on May 13. Tina reported CSAA wants LACs to have representation at monthly meetings. There was discussion about alternative ways to participate such as MetNet, Go to Meetings, Skype, etc. Tina shared there may not be any money for our LAC from CSAA due to our absences from meetings.

NON-PROFIT UMBRELLA OPTIONS: Jana McPherson-Hauer reached out to Hill Co. LAC Chair Amber Spring and Bullhook Community Health Center to see how they do this. Jana is still exploring options.

AGENDY UPDATES:

YDI: Janice Griebel reported change in staff. Shyla Beamont (sp?) starting was a "no go". However, they did hire care managers Tammy Jungers and Jordan Amara (sp?), therapist Andrea Taylor, and area manager Brian Flores. They are still in the Atrium. Janice expect next month they will be able to move people off the waiting list.

EXTENSION: Jana McPherson-Hauer shared about Kendra Seilstad being trained for YAM.

SWEET MEDICAL CENTER: No report. Tina and Mary shared they attended Jason DeShaw's program at Chinook High School. There was incorrect advertising so little attendance from the public.

CHINOOK SENIOR CENTER: Mary Pyette shared High School Choir came and sang yesterday. She shared Laura Shellman will speak about MH at the Cancer Group June meeting. She shared activities at the center are puzzles, cards, music, and pool. They had adult coloring at their therapy table. She shared there is shortage of volunteers at the Senior Center to serve. She encouraged others to stop in at the Senior Center. She shared about 13 yr old from another area suffering from depression and receiving magnet therapy. Youth needs 24/7 supervision.

Mary reached out to the family. Mary reports Kristi Norby is a great resource for the Senior Center.

DES: Haley Velk reported nothing to report.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT: Jana McPherson-Hauer reported their Mental Health workshop had 3 people attended and excellent conversation. May is Mental Health Awareness Month and had article in Tricia's Trader. Tricia's Trader has been great resource for LAC since it reaches out to a big area of Montana.

BRANDI KING: Not able to attend. However, sent the following informed to be shared, "The heart and spirit of our indigenous communities continue to battle the effects of historical trauma, drugs and alcohol, domestic violence, suicide, and bullying. In addition, our Veterans of each community also battle PTS, resulting from combat traumas. The spirit of our community deserves our fight for healing. On June 12, 2017, we will start our week long horse healing ride. We will be covering 190 miles. Starting at Fort Belknap Indian Reservation, MT and the ride will end on the Fort Peck Reservation in Poplar, MT. Everyone is invited to ride, both Indigenous and Non-Indigenous. We need to do whatever we can to help save our future. To help create a better path for our youth. To protect and save Mother Nature's blessings. With your support, we can purchase horse feed, food and water for the participants, fuel, and camping supplies. We appreciate any and all support. Love and prayers to you all♥

June 12- Ride Begins at MRID Arbor. Fort Belknap to Dodson

June 13- Dodson to Sleeping Buffalo

June 14- Sleeping Buffalo to Hinsdale

June 15- Hinsdale to Glasgow

June 16- Glasgow to Frazer

June 17- Frazer to Wolf Point

June 18- Wolf Point to Poplar

*Escorted by Montana Highway Patrol, Valley County, and Roosevelt County Sheriff Departments.

We are seeking funding, sponsorship, donations, and volunteers to help purchase supplies that will accommodate horseback riders/campers. Supplies include: Horse feed, food for participants, water, camping items, First Aid items, and T-Shirts. If you are interested sending donations, or funding, please contact me, Brandi King, at [406-353-7248](tel:406-353-7248). Thank you all for your time and consideration."

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS: unable to attend due to conflicting schedule.

CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH: no representative.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE: Undersheriff Frank Billmayer reports no serious MH issues, increase in Meth cases and overdoses. No commitments to Warm Springs. He asked if we heard about CISM training being offered.

JUVENILE PROBATION: Tina Mord reported citations have been coming in. Many of youths have mental health issues.

RESOURCE DIRECTORY: Tina Mord reported directory was updated this month.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jana McPherson-Hauer is working on scheduling ASIST Training this summer. She sent out inquires to School Superintendents to see when is best time to get teachers to come. Looking at holding this one in Chinook. There may be grant available after July 1. If not, it may cost \$90/person to attend.

Next Meeting will be June 21st at 10:00

Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.