

**Minutes of LAC  
Intermountain Children's Home  
February 7, 2017**

**Members Present:**

John Wilkinson, Chair- Family Member  
Margaret Strachan, Vice Chair  
Andy Hunthausen, Co. Commission  
Jim Smith, Helena Mayor  
Gary Mihelish, Family Member  
Katie Smith, Intermountain  
Ray Roberts, Consumer  
Michelle Cuddy, CMH  
Jon Jackson, Helena Public Schools  
Corey Bailey, Law Enforcement  
Bob Funk, Consumer  
Brian Coplin, Consumer

**Members Absent:**

Judy Rolfe, Family Member  
Melinda Hoskins, Family Member  
David Torgerson, Consumer  
Luke Berger, Co Attys Office  
Jill Steely, PureView Health Ctr  
Molly Protheroe, Consumer  
Melanie Reynolds, L&C Public Health  
Adria Willis, SPH  
Mike Noble, Family Member

**CALL TO ORDER**

John Wilkinson called the meeting to order at 11:40 a.m.

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS**

A quorum was established.

**REVIEW OF THE AGENDA**

No changes were made.

**MINUTES**

Mr. Wilkinson asked if there were any changes or additions to the January 7, 2017 minutes. Brian Coplin noted a grammatical error on page 3 of the minutes. "Helena Recourse Advocates (HAR)" should read "Helena Resource Advocates (HRA)". Mr. Wilkinson made a motion to accept the amended minutes. Mr. Coplin seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**LAC BYLAWS**

Mr. Wilkinson asked if there were any comments to the amended LAC Bylaws. The Board had none.

**STARTEGIC INTERCEPT MAPPING WORKSHOP REVIEW**

Gary Mihelish briefly described the purpose of the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) and the committee's 5 areas of concern which are pre-trial services, mental health services, specialty codes, standards compliance, and early childhood intervention and prevention services. Commissioner Hunthausen provided an update on the detention facility and the next steps for the request of part of the detention facility bond to be back on the fall ballot. He also announced that the next CAC meeting is March 6, 2017.

On June 28-29, 2016, Lewis and Clark County, with the support of the Montana Healthcare Foundation, contracted with Policy Research Associates (PRA) to develop behavioral health and criminal justice system maps focusing on the existing connections between behavioral health and criminal justice programs to identify resources, gaps and priorities in Lewis and Clark County. Commissioner Hunthausen along with Laura Erickson, Lewis and Clark County Grants Coordinator, provided the Board with the Lewis and Clark County Sequential Intercept Map, Priorities for Change, and the Lewis and Clark County Action Plan to discuss and review (see Attachment "A"). After review and discussion of the map, priorities and the action plan, the Mr. Wilkinson asked the board to review the action plan in more detail before the next scheduled board meeting and email him areas where each board member could take action on. Ms. Erickson will take the lead on creating subgroups for the action plan. Michelle Cuddy suggested that future LAC meetings revolve around the completion of the action plan.

### **WORKGROUPS UPDATES**

Community Commitment: Tammy DeFrance, member of the Community Commitment Workgroup, provided a summary of the January 30 Community Commitment Workgroup (see Attachment "B").

Suicide Prevention: Kim Gardner, member of the Suicide Prevention Workgroup, announced that Melanie Reynolds is working on setting up the next Suicide Prevention Workgroup meeting for late February or early March. At the last meeting, the workgroup discussed how to define suicide prevention, list of suicide polices from individual provider to provide to the community, long-term approaches, and the need to identify a course of action.

Housing: Trina Filan, community impact coordinator for the Helena Resource Advocates (HRA), announced that the Point-In-Time Homeless Survey is completed and the data is being compiled. Ms. Filan discussed HRA's Housing Assessment and the need for affordable housing and specific types of housing in the community. Mr. Wilkinson noted that housing is part of the LAC's current priorities in the action plan.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comment.

Meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 7, 2017.