

CENTRAL SERVICE AREA AUTHORITY



Central Service Area Authority Board Meeting

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March 24, 2017 10 am- 3 pm

2401 Colonial Drive, Helena, MT

All Central Service Area Authority (CSAA) Board meetings are open to the public.

PUBLIC COMMENT STATEMENT: In accordance with 2-3-103(1), MCA, the CSAA Board will hold a public comment period. The Open Forum is the public's opportunity to address the Board on any public mental health issue. While the Board cannot take action on the issues presented, the Board will listen to comments and may place the issue on a subsequent agenda for possible action. The Chairperson of the meeting determines the amount of time allotted for public comment

Statutory purpose: *To collaborate with the AMDD and LAC's, to promote consumer and family leadership, and to foster individual choice and access to a continuum of mental health services in the Central Service Area.*

Statutory duties: *(1) Collaborate with the AMDD on the planning, implementation and evaluation of the mental health system. (2) Submit a biennial review and evaluation of mental health service needs and services within the service area. (3) Review and monitor crisis intervention programs within the service area.*

Minutes

I. Meeting called to order: The meeting was officially called to order at 1015am by Cindy Smith.

Board Members: Cindy Smith, Andrea Lower, James Gustafson, Ray Roberts, Mike Murray, Tom Peluso, Molly Protheroe,

Absent: Crystal Evans, Michelle Hill, Michelle Cuddy, Tina Mord, Shirley Kaufman, Michael Stevenson

AMDD: Melissa Higgins

Children's Services: Kandis Wells

MH Ombudsman: Christina Ward

Board of Visitors: Dan Ladd

Meeting Minutes: Mike moved to approve February minutes. Tom seconded motion. Motion carried with edits.

Treasurer's Report: Tom shared copies of the February 2017 expenses. Current balance is \$18,894.57. Mike moved to approve Treasurer's report. Molly seconded motion. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Mike Murray addressed being considered by Legislative session for Human Right Commission appointment by the Governor. If that were to occur, he would step down in order to have position filled by the CSAA Congress.

Old Business:

Procedure Manual: Molly will be sending out to share with CSAA members and added to the April agenda.

End of Year Funds: Executive Committee will meet following today's to discuss two proposals how monies will be disbursed to the LACs. Tom brought up accountability for funds that have been distributed from past years. Molly created a form that includes monies spent. Andrea brought up that participation is included in the ByLaws. Molly read the section including language that is 3 absences in a six month period.

Molly expressed that specific information needs to be provided to the LACs in order to be considered for the funds. Tom feels a there needs to be accountability for the money sent to the LACs.

Motion: Molly motioned monies will be disbursed to LAC that has followed and met the participation in the ByLaws/policy. James seconded.

Tom suggested we send information out to the LACs that you have attended and active at the CSAA. Motion carried.

Motion: Mike moved that the final \$5000 draw be received from AMDD. Molly seconded the motion. Motion approved. Tom will work to draft the letter and forward to Cindy to submit to AMDD.

AMDD:Mindi unable to attend meeting, called in to provide update.

1. Mindi reported on not getting information out regarding LAC/SAA membership. Has four items. PATH program, homeless & risk of homelessness with mental illness including housing, case management program has re-written entire RFP. Hopefully will be posted by the end of April. New RFP has shifted, there are no vouchers available and Section 8 has two year waiting list. Would like to use SOAR process to obtain SSD/SSDI benefits. Only 28% who apply are on approved on first application. Looking for persons interested in SOAR training. Application process takes about 40 hours, looking to certify people in different areas. Looking to do a stipend for those who volunteer for this process. RFP will include bridge between mental health and physical health services and maintain medication compliance and case management. Cindy suggested Mindi forward information out to Andrea to share with LACs.
2. Block Grant (MHOAC) mandated from federal government, is a formula amount. Programs are supported with this money within the state. 10% is 1st Episode Psychosis, (FEP Program) includes age 12-22.
3. Tom expressed frustration with lack of information being shared with the communities. Mike also expressed that we (CSAA) represent our communities and need the collaboration and a voice. Tom also shared that this committee is mandated by the Legislature. Mindi stated that she will be sitting down with the CPOs and discuss a plan and schedule to meet. Mike asked if there would be a member of AMDD attending meetings monthly. Tom shared information about the development of the SAA's, LAC's and 5 or 6 CPOs were hired to bring back that information to the communities. But, are now being given other duties. Melissa Higgins also sat in on the call. Stated that she is new as well, and trying to get the newer employees all on the same page. She expressed that she has shared information with the CPO's to revisit statute and how things run. They are meeting at the end of the month. A question was brought up regarding the Summit. Andrea shared that she had received the email and been in communication with the other SAA's. Andrea agreed to share the email, thought others were attached to the correspondence.
4. Supported employment services, RFP went out about two years ago. There is one in Bozeman, Great Falls and Missoula. There are about three more years on this contract. They may only renew for this year and re-visit. The other piece is those not eligible for Medicaid. Money has been used for suicide prevention, Drop In Centers. They are waiting to see what is happening at the Legislature.
5. MHOAC- there are missing pieces. The SAA's need a representative, and LAC's need to be present. They are 3 consumer board members light on membership. Mindi's contact is 444-3929.

New Business:

A suggestion was made to draft a letter explaining purpose of CSAA and priorities to share with legislature. Cindy agreed to draft letter. James suggested to share with the other two SAA's that we were drafting the letter.

Motion: Tom motioned to send letter to Governor, Dept. Administrator and Legislative committees, SAA's and MHOAC. Mike seconded. Motion carried.

Introduction of Melissa Higgins. AMDD with members present at meeting.

Congress: Congress will be held at the Presbyterian Church. Cindy mentioned that speakers need to be secured. Mike suggested we send an invite to the state. Andrea will follow up with invitations. Meeting will be held 10am-4pm. Molly will arrange to get key and lunch reservation. April 28th CSAA meeting canceled.

Motion: Mike motioned we move Congress to May 13th. Ray seconded. Motion carried.

V. Monthly updates:

LAC Reports:

Blaine: not present

Broadwater: not present

Cascade: Presentation from Dandelion presentation, includes information about child abuse. A fundraiser is held doing a rainbow run. A community data-map is being created.

Gallatin: Andrea reported that the new LAC Chair is including a state update and CSAA update on the agenda.

Glacier: not present

Hill: Working on trauma in formed care with the school. Working with Detention Center on their medications. Community health plan in process will also count as Emergency Preparedness Drill.

Jefferson: not present

Lewis & Clark: Molly reported that they are still working on the Sequential Intercept model and strategic planning. She also talked about new member at LAC, Anne Maxjner who would be a good presenter at Congress.

Park: not present

Teton: not present

Children's Services: Youth in transitions grant, site visits were done and reviewing notes to determine strengths and ideas for improvement. Next week feds are coming in for site review. 1st Episode Psychosis grant is trying to recruit potential clients. Native American Youth Suicide initiative, April meeting for planning and implementation team. Will be overview for zero suicide and what members needed for the team. Zero suicide is the evidence based program.

MH Ombudsman: no report

Peer Support Services: no report

Board of Visitors: Dan reported that they've done a few site reviews. Talked about budget cuts and how to spend it in ways that are effective. Working to collaborate with licensing, disability rights to improve quality of services. Talked about opposition to bill at Legislature that it requires housing prior to release from State Hospital on grounds of civil rights. Dan works with Attorney and Paralegal at State Hospital to represent those at the hospital.

MHOAC report: no report

Next Meeting: February 24, 2017

IV. Adjournment