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MINUTES

LARIMER COUNTY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Date: September 20, 2021
Time: 8:30-10:30am
Location: Zoom Webinar
Contact: Laurie Stolen, Behavioral Health Services Director
Ryan Barstow, Behavioral Health Services, Business Operations Coordinator

Attendees:

Whitney Bennett-Clear, Annette Brown, Lory Clukey, Jessica Coe, Angela De Los Santos, Seth Forwood, Kaycee Headrick, Cheryl Jacobs, Radhwan Jubair, Laurie Klith, Heather O'Hayre, Rachel Olsen, Michael Ruttenberg, Laura Schwartz, Kim Sharpe, MaryBeth Swanson, Nick Verni-Lau

BHS Staff:

Ryan Barstow, Summer Leaming, Jessica Plummer, Kim Priddy, Laurie Stolen, Jennifer Wolfe-Kimbell

Audience:

Carole Crane, Donna Goldstrom, 19702186757

Absent:

Diane Allen, Stephanie Booco, Tom Gonzales, Nathan Hall, Shannon Hughes, Kelsey Lyon, Stephanie Madsen-Pixler, Patrice Marqui, Carol Plock, Heather Vesgaard, Jessie Willard

CALL TO ORDER – 8:32 a.m.

AGENDA REVIEW

1. Laurie Stolen introduced Summer Leaming, the new Accountant II for Behavioral Health Services.

STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

1. Laurie Stolen asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the 6/14/21 TAC meeting and no further discussion regarding the minutes was needed. Lory Clukey made the motion, seconded by Seth Forwood, the motion was approved unanimously.

DISCUSSION/DECISIONS

1. Laurie Stolen gave an overview of the 2021 grant evaluation process [available here](#).
2. Laurie discussed updates for the TAC's subcommittee work. These groups include the Youth Voice, Communications, and Multi-year Grant Funding subcommittees which the TAC formed at the 6/14/21 meeting.
 - a. Seth Forwood gave an update on the Multi-year Grant Funding subcommittee saying the group outlined recommendations and a framework on how BHS could implement multi-year grant funding. The BHS team is also working on getting some additional data from other funders doing multi-year funding and bringing that information with the subcommittee's work to a special TAC meeting (combined with the CAC) on 11/15/21 to discuss in further detail.
 - b. Laurie Klith gave an update on the Youth Voice subcommittee sharing that they recently met with the Youth Advisory Council and they're working to figure out the details involved in forming a youth group. Laurie Stolen added that through the end of the year, they're going to create and send out a survey/questionnaire for youth. This will be used to gather information which will be put into a report, hopefully to be used in the 2022 work session.
 - c. Laurie Stolen gave an update on the Communications subcommittee sharing that they created recommendations for both internal and external communications of BHS and it's advisory groups and a summary will be discussed with the TAC in the upcoming November meeting.
3. Laurie Stolen reviewed the plan for the 2022 worksession, which will be facilitated by Maro Zagoras. In addition to team building with new members joining, work will include building on the client journey maps completed by the TAC and CAC to identify gaps, create targeted projects to fill those gaps, and work on system building, grant management, and data opportunities to work on and fund. Laurie also spoke about striving to make data-driven decisions next year to determine if the work being done is achieving the outcomes and results we're aiming for.
4. Laurie mentioned the membership application period for BHS advisory groups, which is now open and accepting applications through 9/30/21. There are open seats on all 3 BHS advisory groups and these seats will be appointed in 12/2021, applications are available [here](#).
5. Laurie introduced the topic of defining how to implement a co-pay/financial support model in our community. In order to achieve this, a framework must be determined, figure out whether it will be through grants, the future bridge fund, etc. and we'll have to

figure out how to track it. A suggestion was made to form a subcommittee to look at the topic and although there were a few volunteers to join this subcommittee, member feedback indicated there wasn't anyone who could claim expertise in the area to help guide this work. So, a decision was made to table the issue until next year when new members are onboarded. Members were also encouraged to go out and research to see if there is an expert who can inform us on this work or an existing model we can pull from and use.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Jennifer Wolfe-Kimbell discussed the plans for an upcoming BHS roadshow in collaboration with SummitStone Health Partners to share project updates on the Behavioral Health facility. Jen shared that there will be 2 versions of a presentation to share. One will be a more clinical version for behavioral health care providers, clinicians, first responders, etc. who will be involved the most with the facility, and this should begin around winter 2021. Then, in early 2022 they plan to have presentations for the general public to attend and learn about who would be served at the facility, levels of care provided, and what that looks like. There is also a possibility for one off presentations for any specific interested audiences. Jen is also working with the Larimer County Office of Public Affairs to start sharing out information and updates on facility construction and eventually services provided. All details on the upcoming roadshow will be coming soon and will be communicated via email, possible newsletter, a calendar, and during upcoming meetings.
2. Along the lines of a roadshow, Laurie Stolen added that the CAC has interest in partnering with providers to host an informational training to provide their insight and feedback via a panel discussion. This could potentially be staged as a community event where area providers and consumers are invited to attend and encouraged to dialogue and use the opportunity to identify needs in the community. Laurie also discussed the possibility of a CAC panel being formed to inform the governance model of the new facility and provide their perspectives for quality of care and staff training.
3. Laurie gave an update on the progress of the BH facility sharing that the contract for construction has been finalized and the guaranteed maximum price is now locked in. So, groundbreaking/moving on the site of the new facility is set to start in November and construction soon after.
4. Laurie also shared that the Mental Health: Mind Matters exhibit will be coming back for a second run at the Fort Collins Museum of Discovery. There will be a small opening on Friday evening with a group of community leaders and the exhibit will only be here from September 25 - January 2, so please spread the word.
5. Ryan Barstow explained the new agenda management system being implemented by Larimer County and demonstrated the new location for BHPC agendas, minutes, and meeting materials which can be found [here](#). Materials will still be sent out to members

via email; however, the new location where they'll be published will replace the member portal on the BHS website that was used to post materials previously.

6. Laurie recapped the meeting and reminded everyone that although a November TAC meeting wasn't originally scheduled, we'd like to hold a TAC meeting in combination with the CAC on 11/15/21. When asked if a combination meeting was okay, members agreed that it was and would be a good opportunity to complete some joint work in addition to discussing multi-year grant funding. Laurie also mentioned that the 2022 schedule can be revisited once new members join the committee.

Next meeting will be held virtually in combination with the CAC on November 15, 2021.

ADJOURN – 10:04 a.m.