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MINUTES

LARIMER COUNTY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Date: June 14, 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, Stephanie Booco, Annette Brown, Lory Clukey, Jessica Coe, Angela De Los Santos, Seth Forwood, Kaycee Headrick, Shannon Hughes, Cheryl Jacobs, Radhwan Jubair, Laurie Klith, Kelsey Lyon, Stephanie Madsen-Pixler, Patrice Marqui, Heather O'Hayre, Carol Plock, Michael Ruttenberg, Laura Schwartz, Kim Sharpe, Heather Vesgaard

BHS Staff:

Ryan Barstow, Jessica Plummer, Kim Priddy, Laurie Stolen

Absent:

Diane Allen, Tom Gonzales, Nathan Hall, Rachel Olsen, MaryBeth

Swanson, Nick Verni-Lau, Jessie Willard

CALL TO ORDER – 8:32 a.m.

STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Laurie Stolen asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the 4/12/21 TAC/CAC meeting and no further discussion regarding the minutes was needed. Seth Forwood made the motion, seconded by Stephanie Booco, the motion was approved unanimously.
- 2. Laurie reviewed the purpose for standing agenda items and asked if there were any requests to add standing items. Stephanie Booco requested Larimer County or BHS administer a care collaboration platform such as Julota. Laurie shared that the potential implementation of a system like this in our community was an item discussed at a recent Mental Health and Substance Use Alliance meeting. Laurie said she will meet with

Stephanie to discuss Julota offline as well as meet with some other individuals to discuss the other platforms available and will bring back a presentation on the possibilities to the TAC. Heather O'Hayre recommended adding legislative updates as a standing agenda update and said BillTrack50 could be used as a tool to stay informed . Laurie offered the CBHC website and

https://coloradosun.com/2021/06/14/65-bills-passed-colorado-legislature-2021/ as resources for updates and Angela De Los Santos shared

https://www.colegislationtrackers.com/ as another resource. It was decided that Healther O'Hayre will send Laurie updates prior to future TAC meetings to add to the agendas to stay up to date on legislation. Michael Ruttenberg also offered to keep track of legislative changes at the intersection of criminal justice and behavioral health for the TAC and shared that www.legiscan.com is another good resource to track legislation. Laurie mentioned that a community landscape update (what's going on in the community around BH) is a standing agenda item for BHPC meetings, members said they would like that added to TAC agendas as a standing agenda item also. Laurie let everyone know they can send any community landscape updates they're aware of, or further standing agenda item ideas to herself or Ryan Barstow to have added to agendas.

3. Laurie gave an update on the BH facility, saying they're in the process of getting permits and resolving other regulatory issues approved before they break ground which is still on track for May 2023 opening. Laurie also said phase 1 of the branding and naming initiative, which besides being presented to the TAC today will be shared with the BoCC tomorrow, has been completed and BHS is working on a website for the facility.

DISCUSSION/DECISIONS

1. Laurie re-introduced the discussion of including the youth voice in BHS advisory groups and how members would like to do so. After a robust discussion it was determined that a subcommittee consisting of Kelsey Lyon, Heather Vesgaard, and Laurie Klith will meet with Laurie Stolen to determine what organized youth/young adult groups or voices already exist in the community and bring that information back to the TAC to determine what next steps should be. Also, Whitney Bennett-Clear offered to present at a future meeting on youth with disabilities and how to add their perspective as well, Laurie will follow up with Whitney. After hearing the updates, the TAC will decide how to include the youth voice. As a result of the youth voice discussion, members also identified that they would like to create a subcommittee to work on a communications plan for the BHS advisory groups to both disseminate information about the work they're doing but also capture the voices of other community boards as well. Heather O'Hayre, Angela De Los Santos, Michael Ruttenberg, Laura Schwartz, Kim Sharpe, and Laurie Klith volunteered to work on this communication plan subcommittee. Carol Plock stated she would get us the name of the Health District's new communication person as well for this working committee.

- 2. Laurie presented an update on the BHS facility naming and branding project by summarizing the research gathered by Xuma Communications, Inc. The presentation is available here.
- 3. Jessica Plummer presented a preview of the 2021 grant application via the new grant management system, presented the <u>Impact Fund Program page</u> and <u>Applicant Resource Page</u> of the BHS website, and gave a brief overview of the program for the year.
- 4. Laurie introduced a group discussion on the TAC's work for the 2022 grant program and what members would like to focus on. Ideas captured include:
 - a. Innovative and novel programming
 - b. Looking at existing initiatives in the community to fix gaps in systemic work
 - c. Multi-year grant funding
 - A subcommittee consisting of Kaycee Headrick, Carol Plock, Seth Forwood, Cheryl Jacobs and Stephanie Madsen-Pixler was identified to work on and help shape this idea and bring back recommendations to the committee.
 - d. Laurie Stolen mentioned that it's time to revisit the community master plan for behavioral health to, in part, identify remaining community bh gaps, what numbers look like, and next steps. She also said the County is invested in partnering with other stakeholders on a new master plan. Carol Plock said she is happy to discuss this further with Laurie offline.
 - e. BHS Marketing/awareness/communication plan for the community (Laurie mentioned the BHS facility website which is in the works can also help with this)
 - i. Community education on primary prevention
 - ii. Stigma reduction
 - iii. Resource education/awareness
 - iv. Partner with large community organizations to disseminate information
 - v. Host large community events
 - vi. Put together muli-lingual materials
 - vii. Awareness campaigns
 - viii. BHS Community Liaison
- 5. Any members who would like to join the subcommittees identified above can reach out to Laurie or Ryan to be added.
- 1. NEXT MEETING:
 - a) TAC MEETING September 20, 2021 in person @ 200 W. Oak St. Hearing Room 155 Fort Collins, CO 80521

ADJOURN – 10:30 a.m.