

MINUTES

LARIMER COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH POLICY COUNCIL

Date: January 6, 2020
Time: 8:00-10:00am
Location: 200 West Oak, Hearing Room, 1st floor, County Courthouse Office Building
Contact: Laurie Stolen, Behavioral Health Services Director

Attendees:

Steve Johnson, Nick Christensen, Marianne Dungan, Susan Gutowsky, Troy Hamman, Will Karspeck (via phone), Lisa Kurth, Kristie Melendez, Chad Morris, Steve Olson, Ken Zornes

BHS Staff: Rachel Iverson, Andrea Smith, Laurie Stolen

Absent: Jill Grossman-Belisle, Kevin Lemasters, Mary Maldonado, Clark McCoy

CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS – 8:05 a.m.

AGENDA REVIEW

DISCUSSION/DECISIONS

- a) Laurie Stolen welcomed everyone to our first meeting of 2020 and facilitated a New Year Ice Breaker discussion.

- b) Laurie Stolen asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the December 2, 2019 meeting. Ken Zornes made the motion, seconded by Steve Olson. The vote was carried unanimously 11-0 in approval of the minutes.

- c) It was announced that Mayor Kristie Melendez was appointed as 1 of 2 representatives from our RAE (Regional Accountability Entity), to a Statewide grant evaluation committee for the Office of Behavioral Health.
- d) Kim Priddy, Behavioral Health Service staff, will be out on maternity leave until March.
- e) Maro Zagoras is being brought on as a meeting facilitator for the Technical Advisory Committee 3-month work session. She starts on Monday, January 13, 2020.
- f) Rachel Iverson explained to the Behavioral Health Policy Council the new Larimer County process for providing public notice of all board and commissions meetings and asked for a motion to the Behavioral Health Policy Council to designate www.Larimer.org as the place for posting notice of public meetings, and if exigent or emergency circumstances prevent the online posting at such location, public notice shall be physically posted at the bulleting board located at the north and south entrances to the Larimer County Courthouse Offices Building at 200 West Oak, Fort Collins, Colorado, in accordance with Colorado's open meetings laws. Laure Stolen asked for a motion to approve this process. Marianne Dungan made the motion, seconded by Steve Olson. The vote was carried unanimously 11-0 in approval of the process.
- g) Laurie Stolen presented a summary of the 2019 Technical Advisory Committee/CHIP presentations and facilitated a discussion about how the information will be incorporated into the 2020 decision making.

INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) Laurie Stolen gave an update on the Behavioral Health Services Grant Manager position. The last posting has been closed. No selection was made. We will make some modification to the job description and repost the position in the coming weeks.
- b) Laurie Stolen gave an update on the facility. The Programming phase of design is near completion. Schematic design will begin this month, followed by the design development phase through the remainder of 2020. Groundbreaking is on schedule for January 2021.
- c) Laurie Stolen shared some community resources. Colorado has a Mental Health Crisis Hotline; this call center is managed by SummitStone Health Partners. The phone number is 1-844-493-8255 or you can text "TALK" to 38255. There is also talk at the Federal level about creating a behavioral health emergency number 988 instead of 911. More information will be shared if/when this becomes a reality.

- d) The Health District is upgrading/improving healthinfosource.com. Anticipated “go live” date for this is Summer 2020. This online resource will be a robust resource and referral location for behavioral health services in our community.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- a) The next meeting will be on Monday, February 3, 2019 in Loveland at 200 Peridot Avenue, Loveland, CO 80538

ADJOURN – 10:02 a.m.