Minutes
Butte-Silver Bow Behavioral Health Local Advisory Council
Held from 1-2 pm on Wednesday June 16, 2021 via Zoom

1. Administrative Agenda Items
   a. Meeting called to order at 1:05pm by Bill Deavel
   b. Approval of May meeting minutes
      i. Motion made and carried to accept the minutes of the May 19th meeting
   c. Treasurer’s Report- Ashley is still working to meet with other signers on the account to be authorized to access our account
   d. Roll call was conducted, quorum present

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<td>Demetrius Fassas</td>
<td>Jamie Vanderlinden</td>
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2. Public comment(s) On any Items on the Agenda
   a. None

3. Old Business
   a. Status of our email address- Demetrius attained approval from Jason Parish to create a bhlac@bsb.mt.gov email address and will follow up with him to ensure that this is done and added to the BHLAC website.
   b. Special Meetings
      i. There is no specific statute requiring 48 hours public notice. Rather, there is an Attorney General’s opinion indicating that this timeframe provides adequate public notice. An Attorney General’s opinion has the force of law unless overturned by a Court. Since a Special Meeting is typically a meeting that is held at a different time than an entity’s regularly scheduled meeting, it would be subject to the same “notice” requirements. I would advise changing your bylaws to state you will provide a 48 hour notice of a special meeting.
      ii. Ashley moved that we change the bylaws to reflect the 48 hour notice period of a special meeting, Demetrius seconded, motion carried.
   c. Process for request that come to our LAC
      i. Discussion around the type of requests that we may get: letters of support, discussion/agenda items, presentations, and WSAA grant opportunities
ii. Demetrius proposed some language to be posted to the website stating, “If you would like to make a request of the BSB BHLAC, add an item to our agenda, or make a presentation to the council please send an email to bhlac@bsb.mt.gov and your concern will be heard at our next regular meeting. If your request needs attention prior to the next regular meeting, please indicate this in your email and allow at least 72 hours for a response.”

4. New Business
   a. WSAA update- Tabled because Kathy Dunks was not present at the meeting
   b. Updates of local MH committees
      a. Demetrius Fassas- Butte SPIRIT Home, a men’s ASAM Level 3.1 Recovery Home, is nearing capacity for the first time since opening its doors at the beginning of 2021. They are looking to hire a part-time live-in Assistant Residence Manager position, so please share the job posting with your networks: https://buttespirit.org/2020/03/26/were-hiring/
      b. Karen Sullivan- Mapping of BSB crisis systems continues, chaired by Lyn Ankelman. Point is to map the crisis response in BSB, give a current state of affairs, and a recommendation for improvement. The tribal matching grant, and jail diversion grant provided by the state of MT was authorized, and a meeting between BSB and CCCS employees, led by Kathy Dunks, is meeting soon to discuss the use of these funds. SAMHSA grant of $252,000 received, which will allow CCCS Inc and the Health Department to work with individuals with SUD, MH, or co-occurring disorders. Butte’s Community Action Team will resume meeting after labor day, with a focus on youth suicide prevention in our community, and will include a priority for adult mental health.
      c. Ashley McLean- Homeless Advisory Council wants to have more people with lived experience of homelessness on the council and is discussing moving the meeting to the Rescue Mission. Have also placed 4 sharps containers thusfar. Montana’s Peer Network is offering an Emotional CPR course that would be available for providers.
      d. Miles Finlen- Hays-Morris House has started walk-in crisis services at the back door of their facility, which includes screening and brief intervention, and referral/placement.
      e. Karen Sullivan asked that we all notify our individual networks and organizations of the reformation and purpose of the BHLAC. She also recommended that twice a year we provide updates to the Council of Commissioners with regard to what we have been working on as a council.
      f. Demetrius Fassas- Mike Smith with the MT Standard is planning to do a story on the reformation of the BHLAC. Demetrius will share contact information for members and Mike will be following up in the coming weeks
c. LAC Goal Brainstorm
   a. May is Mental Health Awareness Month
   b. September is Recovery Month
   c. Community education
   d. Community trainings
   e. Community town halls
   f. Stigma reduction
   g. Political Advocacy
   h. Homelessness
   i. Partnerships with Anaconda-Deerlodge County
   j. Focus on youth and Native Americans
   k. NAMI chapter in Butte
   l. BSB 2020 Community Health Needs Assessment can be found here:
   m. Members should take time to review the CHNA and be prepared to narrow down our goals in the next meeting.

5. Public comment(s) On Any Items Not on the Agenda
   a. Megan Rediske, from the Anaconda LAC, asked questions regarding the structure of the BSB-BHLAC as a county committee.

6. Adjournment
   a. Adjourned at 2:02pm

7. Next meeting
   a. The next meeting of the Butte-Silver Bow Behavioral Health Local Advisory Council will be held from 1 to 2 pm July 21, 2021 on Zoom.
   b. Join Zoom Meeting
      https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83181075543?pwd=YXlxcFM0Z0N1VHNodkZpQ2t5MDN2dz09