



COLUSA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Meeting was held on

February 14th, 2023

At Colusa County Department of Behavioral Health

Room 102

162 E. Carson St., Colusa, CA 95932

and via Zoom

- 1. Meeting was called to order at 3:03pm**
- 2. Establish Quorum:**
 - a. Board Members in attendance: Debbie Hickel, Wally Osborn, Rob Wilson, Alfred Sellers, Leona Satterburg
 - b. Board Members not in attendance: None
 - c. *Quorum established*
- 3. Meeting Participants:**
 - a. Behavioral Health staff in attendance: Heather Bullis-Cruz, Tony Hobson, Jeannie Scroggins
 - b. Others in attendance: None
- 4. Public Comment:**
 - a. None
- 5. Old Business:**
 - a. Nothing to report
- 6. New Business:**
 - a. Ms. Satterburg announced her resignation from the Board effective after this meeting, as she has accepted a Therapist position with Colusa County Behavioral Health that begins tomorrow.
- 7. Action Items:**
 - a. Approval of minutes: January 2023 minutes to be approved. Mr. Osborn made a motion to approve the January minutes. Mr. Wilson second. All members were in favor.



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8. MHSA Update:

- a. Ms. Scroggins mentioned that February is the month for our MHSA Stakeholder meetings. Two meetings have been held and two meetings are still scheduled. Feedback so far included questions around the FSP process and that availability of having Mobile Crisis respond to Colusa County schools.
- b. Safe Haven continues to be operating smoothly with nearing 100 members. Wellness and recovery groups are enjoyed, and there has been discussion about improving the adjacent dirt lot to offer a community garden and groups outside when weather permits.
- c. Bright Vista is currently having their "Like you to Pizzas" event. Valentine grams were given to members at school this morning as a reminder to attend this afternoon. One Peer Support Specialist at Bright Vista will be talking about healthy relationships, boundaries, and red flags while the members make their own pizzas. In March, a nutritionist will be presenting about "Green Goodness" and how eating vegetables can improve your health.
- d. Mrs. Hickel encouraged the department to send out emails to all departments for upcoming events, and reminder emails as well.

9. Director's Report:

- a. Prospective site in Williams – Dr. Hobson spoke about county owned land in Williams that Behavioral Health, Health and Human Services, Victim Witness, and Probation may be looking into to develop a west-side facility. "We are currently in the information gathering stage", said Dr. Hobson. He mentioned that his west-side campus would assist in serving our underserved population next to migrant housing. Behavioral Health is looking at the demand, and the next step is to receive an estimate of the project cost from an architect and/or engineer.
- b. Dr. Hobson mentioned that we are looking to hire five vacant Therapist positions. He has asked the HR Dept. to look at level of pay in order to be competitive with other counties. However, we received the salary survey last week that shows Colusa County is within 5% of our comparative counties. Mrs. Hickel inquired about being able to provide a sign-on bonus. Dr. Hobson stated that we need to look at recruitment incentives, but we need Board of Supervisors support for this. Discussion occurred about the possibility of utilizing MHSA WET funds, as well as upcoming outreach events like the Chico State job fair next week.



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- c. ARF – Cypress House – Dr. Hobson provided an update on this project and is hoping that the remodel of the building should be completed by March 1st. Currently, the Request for Proposal is with the CAO who will review it, and if/when approved it will be publicized.
- d. No Place Like Home – Rancho Colus – The construction loan should close by the end of May 2023. Behavioral Health will be short roughly \$600,000. “We are asking that the Housing Authority cover all that they can first, and then we can step in to cover the rest if needed”, mentioned Dr. Hobson. He is hopeful that we will break ground this year.
- e. AB2275 – Serial stacked holds for 5150s. Discussion was had on this new Assembly Bill and how Colusa plans to implement it. There will need to be collaboration between our crisis staff, the Patients Rights Advocate, and the hospitals. Butte County may be able to train our staff in Safety Planning to decrease hospitalizations when appropriate.
- f. Mobile Crisis – This is a new Medi-Cal benefit that all counties within the State of California must implement by January 2024. Mobile Crisis would need to be available 24/7 by a team of staff. The fiscal repercussion would cost Colusa County roughly \$1 million. Ms. Satterburg inquired if this had anything to do with the schools request of mobile crisis during the MSHA Stakeholder meeting. Dr. Hobson stated, “We are working up to a school crisis response by our clinical team but requiring a community response also changes an employee’s job environment and increases risks and liability. He is hopeful that local churches and law enforcement will collaborate with Behavioral Health to effectively implement a mobile crisis response.

10. Program Integrity:

- a. Mrs. Bullis-Cruz emailed her data out and gave physical copies. She stated requests for intakes increased a little for January, No Shows are minimal because of the Open Access process, and wait days continue to decrease.

11. Quality Assurance:

- a. Mrs. Rojas emailed out her data before today’s meeting as she knew she would not be able attend.
 - i. Mr. Sellers asked if the count of those who received a Mental Health services includes those with co-occurring disorders. Ms. Scroggins responded yes.

12. PRA Report:



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- a. Mrs. Houston informed Ms. Scroggins there was nothing to report for today's meeting.

13. State Required Contract Review:

- a. Dr. Hobson discussed DHCS looking to merge the county's Mental Health contract and Drug Medi-Cal contract into one contract. He is hopeful that there will be parity in regards to pay as DMC does not reimburse like MH does. He also mentioned that by having one contract the county may be able to have a release form that notifies clients that both Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder programs are provided by CCBH Staff and housed in the same electronic health record, as currently 42 CFR Part 2 has limitations to chart access.

14. Chairperson's Report:

- a. Nothing to report.

15. Board of Supervisor Report:

- a. None – Supervisor Boes was not in attendance

16. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 4:09pm.

Next meeting scheduled for: Tuesday, March 14th, 2023