



**Executive Committee Region 4 Behavioral Health Board**

August 1, 2019 9:00-10:30am

Central District Health Department, Clearwater Room

707 N Armstrong Place, Boise

Call in number: 1-855-291-0679

Meeting ID: 8547

**Meeting called to order at 9:16am**

**In attendance:** Ellen Afflick, Chair; Jen Burlage, Treasurer; Sanda Kuzeta-Cerimagic, Vice-Chair; Chris Christopher, Member-at-Large; Monica Forbes, Secretary; Carly Doud, CDH; Caroline Messerschmidt, CDH

**Attendance Review:** We started with a new attendance chart in July, so all members get a clean slate. As the July meeting was cancelled, there are no absences to report.

**BHB State Call:** Ellen called into July's state leadership call. She stated there wasn't a lot to report as most boards cancelled their July meeting. She stated that everyone is working on their Gaps & Needs report which is due in September. She also stated they discussed that either Lisa Hettinger or Lori Wolff will be attending the Region 4 BHB meeting in September to discuss Medicaid expansion. They also announced that the Medicaid expansion website is continually being updated, and is the best resource to use.

**Gaps & Needs Update:** Ellen updated the executive committee that the Gaps & Needs workgroup had their first meeting in July and divided the document between workgroup members. The workgroup will have their second meeting next Tuesday. Carly let the executive committee know that the intern from Recovery 4 Life is no longer able to be on the workgroup as his internship supervisor assigned him with different tasks.

**Seat Openings:** Carly updated the executive committee that the board still has the SUD Service Provider seat open. Rebecca Travis will also have to step down from her Juvenile Justice seat. Rebecca called Carly to let her know that her employer has placed her on a different board, and therefore can no longer sit on the behavioral health board. Rebecca said that her colleague, Steven Hogue, would be able to take her spot. He will attend the August meeting with Rebecca and will officially be able to transition in September. Monica stated that she may know someone interested in the SUD Service Provider seat, and will bring that person an application to complete. The appointing committee will have to officially review Steven's application to approve him for the board. If we receive an application for the SUD Service Provider seat, then the committee can review both applications at the same time

*Action items:*

- *Monica to provide an application to those who she thinks might be interested in the board*
- *Carly to schedule a meeting with the appointing committee to review the application(s)*

**FY20 Calendar Review:** Carly reviewed and updated the Fiscal Year 20 calendar with the executive committee. Carly will use this calendar as a reminder for what needs to be completed each month of this fiscal year. This calendar is a living document that can be updated and changed as the year goes on.

**Budget:** Carly provided Jen the budget for the current fiscal year. May's personnel cost was higher than regular as that month had three pay periods, but other than that, the budget is on track. The board will continue the budget discussion during next week's meeting to decide how we want to spend the \$14,000 in carryover money. Most board members agreed that providing mini grants would be a good option. The executive committee reviewed Region 7's grant application for our board to use as a template.

*Action item:*

- *Carly to include Region 7's grant application when sending out the agenda to board members next week.*

**Meeting with Ross Edmunds Discussion:** Last month, Carly, Jen, Jaime Aanensen (CDH Health Policy & Promotion Program Manager) and Russ Duke (CDH District Director) met with Ross Edmunds to discuss Ross's vision for behavioral health after Medicaid expansion. Ross stated that once Medicaid expansion goes into effect, about 90-95% of those who DBH serves will have Medicaid. DBH receives about an 8 million dollar federal block grant every year for SUD funding. As this money will no longer be needed for their services, Ross would like to use it to fund recovery support and preventative services using the regional behavioral health boards and public health districts. We are currently tasked with creating a proposal of how this money could be used.

The executive committee is excited about this opportunity and discussed scheduling a couple planning sessions to brainstorm some ideas. These planning sessions would be with CDH and the R4BHB EC, potentially after the EC meetings. We would present these ideas to the rest of the behavioral health board and then create a couple proposals to present to Ross. At the earliest, funding won't be available until Fiscal Year 21.

*Action item:*

- *Carly to check with Russ and other CDH staff to schedule planning meetings*

**R4BHB Meeting Agenda Reviews:** The August and September meeting agendas were reviewed and updated.

**Meeting adjourned at 10:29am**