



Meeting Minutes September 8, 2014

Present: See sign in sheet

Meeting was called to order by Amber Spring, Chair.

Minutes Tabled for approval for August until October meeting

Treasurer Report: \$12,729.11 total funds with \$7,370.23 LAC and \$5,358.88 Grant

Debby needs to go to US Bank and sign documents as the treasurer for account access and to be able to sign checks.

AMDD – Jane talked about updates to HB130 and Community Crisis Grants that are Commissioner driven. The start date for these grants will be July 1, 2015. Priorities are for MH 1st Aide Training and Jail Diversion. Montana Department of Health and Human Services Budgets are done and submitted. AMDD is focusing on Community needs based services, drop in centers and waiver increases. HB131-132 is targeted toward dedicated crisis beds throughout the state. The legislative interim committee recommended as well. Jane reported on Joining Community Forces and support for returning forces. 27% of service members will be returning to small communities that have little in resources for support. The Veteran's Network of Care – Army One Sources and building state alliances are good resources.

CSAA – Cindy reported on the priorities that CSAA is recommending. A questionnaire was sent to the Chairs and needs to be turned in by the CSSA October meeting on the 17th. Local LACs members should rate their priorities and then the tabulated results sent back to CSAA.

Old business

Mental Health First Aide Training – The group reviewed all the applications and chose Curtis Smeby as the top winner and Carol Foster as the runner up if Curtis could not attend or they did not accept his application.

Crisis Line – The crisis line still needs more volunteers. They meet 1 time each month together and there is required training. If anyone in the group know of interested people please have them call Barb Coms at HRDC.

NAMI – Recruitment for walkers in the festival days parade.

Website – There was no feedback on the website at this meeting. A reminder to go to the link and review and bring information that needs to get loaded onto the website to the meeting or send to Amber Spring or Cindy Smith or directly to Heather at: depriesth@montanagrafix.com.

- 1) Photographs for the homepage slideshow (you can pick from photos from any of these 2 websites: www.istockphoto.com or www.123rf.com. They both have nice stock photos.
- 2) Approval of the iStock photos that are currently located on the homepage under the tabs Education, Access, Engagement, Opportunity. I put watermarked photos in there because I wasn't sure if you would like those ones I found. If you do, let me know and I can get the actual files for that.
- 3) Mailing or Physical Address for the Group and Email Address for the Group. Also, phone number that you would like listed. – We can list Bullhook's BH Coordinator and Amber Spring as the Chair's address.
- 4) Social Media links if there are social media pages setup i.e. Facebook, Twitter, Google+, etc.
- 5) By Laws of the Organization – Cindy will send
- 6) Officers/Board members, etc. – all officers please send you bio you want and picture
- 7) Agendas/Minutes from the August meeting. – Cindy to send all this years meeting minutes
- 8) Information for the Peer Support Network page.
- 9) Information for the What to Do Page.

10) Any events you want listed.

Cindy Smith, Secretary