

7/14/14 Mental Health/Local Advisory Committee Meeting.

Present: Debby Knudsen, Crystal Laufer, Ben Jennings, Amber Spring, Desiree Norden, Jesse Bergren, Ron Kling, Jane Wilson, Kelley Ferguson, Barb Coms, Cindy Ellingson, Brandi Baker

Meeting called to order.

Introductions.

6/9/14 meeting minutes reviewed and approved as written.

Treasurers report: Amber gave report, Debby not familiar with committee finances yet. Received check from CSAA for \$1924.56. Committee will have total of \$14,654.73 after this check is deposited. \$5358.88 of that is grant funds that need to be spent by December. In the past, committee has discussed sending members for more training or bringing a trainer in. Discussed bringing in a trainer to speak to high school personnel and also community about non-suicidal self-harm. Brandi will look into time/locations for Mental Health First Aid training, Amber will look into conference fees and travel expenses. Both will report back to committee at August meeting.

Old business:

- Heather DePriest has primarily been in contact with Cindy Smith regarding the website; no updates at this time.
- Debby to get up to date as treasurer by August meeting. Amber will email Debby with responsibilities.
- Training opportunities for professionals/consumers in our area: will be a permanent agenda item in the future.
- Jane will send Amber info regarding the August 15th training in Helena, committee may pay for someone to go. Jane also to find out if state still promotes prevention training.
- On July 25th at 9:00am there will be a meeting to discuss combining the crisis line and domestic violence. Will discuss training the staff will need, etc. Name has already been transitioned to, "Community Crisis Line." Need more volunteers to reduce burn out among current staff. Currently staffed at 13, would like to double that. Ron suggested partnering with MSU-Northern, maybe the Health Promotions department or Americorps, to find volunteers.

New business:

- MHSP waiver (Mental Health Service Plan): subsidized mental health care for people who do not meet poverty level for Medicaid. Includes Basic Medicaid. Waiver increasing from 2000 slots to 8000 slots.
- AMDD: James and Gina Dahl have not given report on HB130 crisis funds, have not attended meetings. Jane will look into this, as collaboration with this committee was part of the grant.

Next Meeting August 11th at Noon at Health Department

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Brandi Baker