



HILL COUNTY

Mental Health Local Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes:
March 11, 2019

Call to order: Jason Evans-Chair

Roll call and introductions: Deidre Reiter, Jacinta Finneman, Crystal Lauffer, Jason Evans, Sandy Derry, Ron Kling, Darlene Sellers, Curtis Smeby, Amber Spring, Sherry Kegel, Somer Messerly, Sara Strissel, Jasmine Carbajal, Jake Strissel, Kasi Tomaskie, Sharon Dolph

Minutes: Minutes from February 11, 2019 were reviewed and approved. Curtis Smeby motioned to approve the minutes and Jake Strissel seconded the motion to approve the minutes as written. All members in favor, none opposed.

Treasurer's Report: Darlene Sellars reported the LAC has \$3,626.70 in the LAC account. A check from the State of Montana was received for four workbooks in the amount of \$88.00 for four employees from Job Service to attend the Mental Health First Aid Course. Deidre motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report and Ron Kling seconded the motion. All members in favor, none opposed.

Old Business:

- AMDD Report-No report. Currently there is not an AMDD representative.
- CSAA Report-Curtis Smeby continues to represent the Hill County LAC at the Helena meetings. The next meeting is March 22, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Any members of the LAC are invited to attend this meeting. Curtis reported there are mini-grants available and there are applications online.
- NAMI- Crystal Lauffer reported the following for NAMI:
 - NAMI is doing well.
 - NAMI has filed for their 501C3 and has received the necessary insurance to become a 501C3.
 - NAMI trainings will be held in Helena May 17-19 and April 26-28.
- Media/PR
Amber Spring added Jasmine Carbajal to the LAC Facebook page.
- Work Groups: (Community/School Engagement, Housing Advocacy, Transportation, Crisis Response Team)
 - **Community/School Engagement**-Havre Trauma Sensitive School Initiative meets next on March 21, 2019 at the Robins Building at 4:00 p.m. The Hill County Consortium met, and Amber Spring will forward the minutes out. Behavioral Health continues to be a need identified through the community needs assessment that was completed.
 - **Housing Advocacy**-Discussion of the Budget Inn being for sale was held. Curtis Smeby suggested a conversation take place with BCHC CEO about the possibility of an inpatient treatment center and the Hi-Line Motel being for sale. Housing continues to be a challenge in Hill County.
 - **Transportation**-Tabled. Jake was unable to report his follow up with the Transit as he was not present.
 - **Crisis Response Team**-Tabled. Amber will follow up.
- Suicide Awareness Committee -The committee met on March 8, 2019 to identify ways to utilize the funds raised. The committee would like to identify a speaker to present at the Suicide Awareness Walk in the fall of 2019. The walk is scheduled for September 12, 2019. The committee would like to be more pro-active this year in obtaining sponsors and fundraising. T-shirts will be made at Mastersports this year. The Suicide Awareness Committee would like to promote workshops and awareness trainings to the community. Curtis Smeby reported he would like to have a Suicide Talk after the walk on the MSU-N Campus following the walk. The next Suicide Awareness Committee meeting will be held April 2, 2019 at 4:00 at the MSU-N Sub, Student Health Services office in Amber's office.

New Business:

- Mental Health First Aid-Dates have been scheduled and Deidre Reiter reported that there have been 4 participants register. Curtis Smeby reported there needs to be six participants in order to conduct the course.
- The film festival will show the following films: Resilience, Paper Tigers, Wrestling Ghosts. Curtis made the motion for the LAC to cover the costs of popcorn, popcorn oil, and bags in the amount of \$100.00 for the film festival. Amber Spring seconded the motion. All members in favor, none opposed.
- Amber Spring reported the Grandstreet Theatre in Helena will be presenting “Every Brilliant Thing” in Havre, MT on Saturday, June 22, 2019 at the MAT Theater at MSU-N for suicide awareness.
- Jasmine reported the career fair “Health on the Hi-Line” will be held on March 28, 2019. Key note speaker is Jessica Sheehy from Northern Montana Healthcare. Health on the Hi-Line will highlight health care services on the hi-line.

Adjournment: Jason Evans motioned to adjourn the meeting. Curtis Smeby seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: April 8, 2019 at noon. Location: Bullhook Community Health Center