

REGION II
Behavioral Health Board

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

April 13, 2023-- 1:30 PM

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1. Roll Call, Welcome, and Introductions: 1:32 pm Meeting called to order by Jim Rehder.

X	Dianne Baumann	X	Theresa Graeber-Gimmeson	X	Tammy Lish-Watson		Jenny Teigen
X	Don Beck		Shaun Hollace		Pam Lopardo	X	Laura Treat
X	Skip Brandt		Shaun Hogan		Lisa Martin		
	Sara Bennett		Sharlene Johnson		Shawn McDowell		Ex-Officio
X	Megan Comstock	X	Beverly Kloepfer	X	Michelle Mendenhall	X	Theresa Shackelford
X	Beverly Fowler		Shari Kuther		Summer Overberg	x	April Christenson
X	Chris Goetz	X	Tom Lamar	x	Jim Rehder		

Others in Attendance: Darrell Kiem, Michelle King, Perri Larson, Tammy Everson, Dustin Hibbard, Ross Edmonds, Stephanie Beidman, Sharlisa Davis, Ryan Soukup, Caitlin Rusche; Kaylie Bednarczyk

2. **Approval of March BHB Minutes (Action Item):** Motion Tom Lamar, Megan Comstock seconds, motion carried
3. **Financial report—Carol/Perri:** \$8,238 balance currently. If \$1200 Empowerment presentation request and Rental assistance request from First Step 4 Life of \$1830 is approved the balance will be \$5,178.
4. **Ross Edmonds Legislative update:** JFAC change in handling budget requests as a result several of the requests for funding have not been funded. State hospital bed increase request was not funded. SUD budget also has areas that were not funded. Naloxone will only be distributed to first responders which includes paramedics, crisis centers, hospitals and a few other outlets--Ross and his office will work to see if they can find better distribution pathways to get the medication out to those in need. Getting Naloxone to additional entities will be possible but not from that funding source. House bill 350 passed and the governor signed on 4/4/23. House bill 61 also passed which utilizes out of state telehealth providers, this process will be monitored. The Children’s Psychiatric Treatment funding now has contracts in place--Northwest Children’s home (plan to open in July 2024), Idaho Youth ranch (plans to open in Aug 2023) and Jackson house in southern Idaho to implement PRTFs in Idaho.
5. **Prevention BH Empowerment presentation fund request (Action Item)** Motion to approve Kamiah School District request for Prevention Empowerment presentation \$1200 request--Tom Lamar made motion to approve, Skip Brandt second. Motion carried.
6. **First Step for Life rent assistance request—Board (Action Item)** Dustin Hibbard, FS4L board president, explains the director over spent and omitted things to the board and then resigned, leaving the board in a difficult position for paying bills and maintaining programs. Motion to approve \$1830 request for

funding to pay 2 months' rent-- Laura Treat made motion to approve, Tom Lamar second, motion carried. Tom expressed need for operational plan for the future.

7. **Mental Health Advocate Award selection—Board (Action Item)** Nomination was submitted for Cindy Harris-Lindauer as Reg 2 2023 Mental Health Advocate. Megan made motion to approve, Dianne second, motion carried. Presentation to occur at the May BHB meeting.
8. **Officer and At-large position Election process preparation—Don B/Jim** Planning for June Officer Election discussion. Board members interested in serving as officers will submit their names to Commissioner Don Beck, Chairman of Nominating Committee who will compile a list of nominees for the May BHB mtg in preparation for the Officer election on June 8. Board meeting will be Zoom.
9. **First Step for Life Recovery Center service reduction discussion—Dustin Hibbard/Board** Dustin shared they are getting volunteers on board to help keep it open. Stacey Rosecrans, Gem County Recovery Center manager will come to Lewiston for a couple of weeks to help with reorganization and plan to get things up and moving forward.
10. **Reg 2 BH resource website development—Board/Joyce/Laura** ----- Jim shared that Joyce Lyons is working toward developing a website for resources locally. The cost is \$30 to \$40 per month which is affordable for the BHB. Liza Ruys of Crush the Curve organization will help in this process. Discussion will continue at May Board meeting.
11. **Needs and Gaps preparation; Governor's report is helpful—Board** ----- Jim asked that the board use the Governor's Behavioral Health report as a resource in the needs and gaps development.
12. **Recovery Community Center Latah/Nez Perce Counties—Darrell**, The Oxford House has burnt down causing loss of belongings along with displaced residents. There were no injuries in the disaster and they are working with insurance to rebuild the Oxford House. They hired a volunteer coordinator to help rebuild the volunteer base.
13. **Legislative update— Tom/Chris/Jim** ----- See Ross Edmonds update. Chris stated, there is a huge need to continue to work toward securing funding 2024 legislature to build a Secure Mental Health facility.
14. **BHB Subcommittee Members, Reports and Board Discussion**
 - CMH ---- None
 - ABH ---- None
 - Housing ---- None
 - Prevention ---- Kaylie, subcommittee will meet in May. Events: Sticker shock Champaign, National Drug take back day, DEA website to see locations.
15. **Public Input:** Michelle King, there is a huge uptick in suicide attempts and ideations with youth. Jim asked the Board when we should meet again in-person. A majority were satisfied with Zoom meetings as they are more convenient and time-saving. Jim suggested meeting one or two times in person. The Board will consider this in future meetings.
16. **Next BHB Meeting – May 11, 2023**
17. **Meeting Adjourn: 2:10 pm**