

LASSEN COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

APPROVED MINUTES

Monday October 23, 2023

Advisory Board Members Present: Brady Reed – Member
Michael Hoenig – Member
Gary Bridges – Member

Advisory Board Members Absent: Rebecca Jordan – Member
Tom Neely– Member

Staff: Tiffany Armstrong – BH Director
Sarah Bustamante – BH Admin Assistant
Nicole Lamica –

Members of the Press: None

Other: Grace Poor – Housing Department

1. **Call to Order:** Behavioral Health Advisory Board called to order at 5:31 pm
2. **Approval of the Agenda – Action:** Motion- Gary Bridges — Second- Michael Hoenig– All in favor – motion carried
3. **Approval of the Minutes: August 2023:** – Motion –Michael Hoenig – Second –Gary Bridges - All in favor – motion carried
4. **Public Comment: None**
5. **Mobile Crisis Unit – Tiffany Armstrong**
 - a. Tiffany will present at the Board of Supervisors meeting tomorrow – Tuesday 10-24-2023
 - b. Implementation plan is due October 31, 2023
 - i. Once approved by Board of Supervisors it can be submitted to the State.
 - ii. Mobile Crisis – all Federal Mandates – all counties must follow all mandates
6. **Department Report: Tiffany Armstrong**
 - a. Numerous items are due to the State between now and the end of the year.
 - b. Tiffany will be leaving on vacation – will return right before Thanksgiving.
 - c. Will start working with the court system on Care Court once Mobile Crisis plan has been submitted

7. Cultural Competence: Tiffany Armstrong

- a. Meeting scheduled for this Wednesday 10-25-23
 - i. Interpretation business located out of Florida who specialize in Behavioral Health and medical interpretation
 - 1. Also assists with all forms ensuring its appropriate terminology
 - 2. Up to 12 different languages
 - 3. Lassen County looking to establish contract
 - a. Brochure cost – 15 cents per word

8. Housing – Grace Poor

- a. Permanent Supportive Housing Development
 - i. Waiting on County Counsel the past few weeks
 - ii. Feasible study had been updated – questions regarding zoning
- b. HomeKey Project
 - i. Partnering with Melanie Westbrook
 - ii. Have not heard back yet
- c. Bridge Housing Project
 - i. Behavioral Health was awarded 1.6 Million
 - ii. Approved last week
 - iii. Will need to do an RFP for interested landlords
 - 1. Incentive to landlords
 - a. Money available to improve units
- d. Nicole Lamica – Housing Program Coordinator

9. Judy's House – No Report

10. Board Report:

- a. **Board Recruitment:** Will Swear in Andrea and Mike Hernandez at the next meeting.
- b. **DATA Notebook:** Is completed and ready for submission
 - i. Tiffany to submit

11. ACTION ITEM: Nominations of Board Officers:

- a. **Nominations for Board Chair**
 - i. **Brady Reed nominated Gary Bridges**
 - ii. **Michael Hoenig nominated Rebecca Jordan**
- b. **Nominations for Vice Chair**
 - i. **Gary Bridges nominated Michael Hoenig**
 - ii. **Michael Hoenig nominated Andrea Hernandez**

12. Lassen Community College: Brady Reed

- a. Mental Health report due to the Chancellor's office
 - i. How money is spent
 - ii. How many students are being served
 - 1. 65-70 served by Rebecca Jordan in person

- 2. 120 served accessed telehealth vendor (Timely Care)
- b. Rebecca Jordan has been hosting numerous events – helping students feel connected and comfortable
 - i. Homesick social

13. Suicide Prevention: Nicole Lamica

- a. Walk out of Darkness event went very well
 - i. \$15,000 goal was met
- b. Has been putting on Assist and Safe Talk training
 - i. Will be scheduling more

14. CAMHPRO – Tiffany Armstrong

- a. Came with a video crew –
 - i. Asking about peer support
 - ii. Judy's House was featured
 - iii. Once film is completed will share with the Advisory Board

15. Susanville Police Department – No Report

16. Lassen County Sheriff's Department – No Report

17. Consideration of Future Agenda Items:

- a. **Action Item – Elections of Chair and Vice Chair**

18. Next Meeting Date and Time:

- a. December 11, 2023 – 5:30pm

19. Adjournment: 6:07 pm