

CENTRAL FLORIDA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH NETWORK

Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes

February 22, 2019

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Tracey Kaly
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Members Absent: Alvin Wolfe
J. Scott Eller
Terri Saunders

Board of Directors' Attorney: John Bakas

CFBHN Staff: Linda McKinnon, President & CEO
Julie Patel
Larry Allen
David Clapp
Tom Rose
Tonica Freeman-Foster
Laura Gross
Mary Wynhoff

CFBHN Guests: Barbara Daire
Dr. Ayesha Johnson
Joe Rutherford
Patricia Simpson, DCF
Patrick Heidemann

1. TOPIC: Call to Order/Introductions/Announcements

- The meeting was called to order at 10:00am

2. TOPIC: Consent Items (Routine Business/Committee Recommendations)

Discussion

& Decisions: The Board approved:

- The January 25, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes

3. TOPIC: Action Items (Items Requiring Presentation, Public Comment & Discussion Prior to Action)

Discussion

& Decisions: The following were presented to the Board:

- Dr. Tonica Freeman-Foster provided board education related to board diversity. The training concluded with the development of an ad hoc board committee which includes Thomas Stormanns and Joshua Dillinger. Proposed goals for board diversity are to:

- Ensure that the representation of CFBHN Board members reflects the diverse populations and communities being served.
- Enhance awareness of cultural diversity and inclusion among Board members.
- Implement culturally competent inclusion practices in efforts to increase recruitment and retention of diverse Board members
- The board reviewed and approved the membership application for Dr. Ayesha Johnson.

4. TOPIC: Information Items:

Discussion

& Decisions:

The CEO reported CFBHN has been selected for the Hillsborough County School System behavioral health overlay contract. The model submitted will be similar to the Pasco County School voucher system. CFBHN is currently the only Managing Entity to contract directly with the school boards.

Thomas Stormanns discussed HCA's affiliation with the Jason Foundation, a non-profit agency headquartered in Nashville, TN, that advocates for the education of parents, students, and educators about teen suicide. Their advocacy has added a 2 hour training requirement on suicide prevention for teachers in some states. Thomas requested the opportunity to do a presentation for the Board on the Jason Foundation and strongly encouraged the Board to get involved with this free opportunity. Thomas will plan to present at a future board meeting.

The merger between FADAA and the Florida Council for Community Mental Health (FCCMH) has combined together the states substance abuse and mental health associations. The newly formed association is now One Behavioral Health Association. The first meeting was attended by CFBHN staff as well as the new department Secretary Chad Poppell. The Secretary is reviewing the effectiveness of the Department with a focus on child welfare operations. Secretary Poppell is developing a department of innovation with the hopes of identification and transfer of efficient and effective practice across the state. The secretary plans to travel around the state to meet with a number of providers much like Senator Rouson did last year.

One of the meetings held by the Secretary was attended by Jerry Wennlund who expressed the new secretary appears to have been hired due to his background in HR.

The Secretary stated that the associations met with the new secretary of DCF, ACHA and the new attorney general. He was hired for his fresh eyes and for being an outsider and wants to bring DCF closer to the children, and improve relationships and outcomes. Jerry also mentioned Secretary Kidder was introduced and she understands ACHA behavioral healthcare, the purchase of services and the value of those services. Nancy Hamilton asked if reducing the amount of administrative burdens to providers was discussed. It was not discussed at the meetings but CFBHN had an independent meeting with the Secretary and discussed administrative burdens to providers. Previous work that's been done on administrative efficiencies two years ago was updated and resubmitted to the Secretary with the hopes that it will be reviewed. The Attorney General also spoke about her experience in court as a federal judge dealing with drug cases. She appeared to be very empathic in being concerned about how those cases affect the families involved.

The board was provided the State of Florida Auditor General Operational Audit which is a 3 year review of the Managing Entities, CBC's and the Department. The full report was provided to the board. The concern for CFBHN is the current manner in which salary time is utilized and reported. The report presents a focus on comp time method utilized by the state which is not the same method used by CFBHN.

Dr. David Clapp presented a report on the status of the county projects.

Polk County - 2 concurrent projects in place

- Helping Hands Reintegration Jail Project – initially a 1 year contract 3/2018 to 3/2019 but now extended through Sept. 2019 for \$215K
- Assisted Polk Co. in applying for a Criminal Justice Reinvestment Grant, awarded in October for 3 years @ \$1.6M. The installment of the grant to supplement the Helping Hands project by hiring a benefits specialist, housing specialist, and for rental assistance.

- To date for current FY – 62 individuals are enrolled. The total cost of care (jail days, transport, detox, crisis unit, & ER) was \$540K for the 12 mos. prior to admission and reduced to \$50K over the past 7 mos.

Hillsborough County

- Orient Road Project – 75 SA beds to be funded by the County. Hillsborough RC voted to focus approximately \$322K to fund the project.
- Hillsborough County School System – Letter of Intent received last week to award a \$2M for 1 year contract with the possibility of renewals. It will be modeled similar to the Pasco County School Project in utilized the voucher system for services.

Pasco County

- School Project started in October 2018, awarded \$450K for one year
- To date, 109 clients have been served by 5 providers, not all DCF providers
- Introduced 4 (YAR) Youth at Risk committees that work as a multi-disciplinary team doing triage and problem solving. There's been 3 YAR Staffings since October.

Pinellas County

- PICA (Pinellas Integrated Care Alliance) - \$1.6M contract for 4/2018 to 4/2021. A new report from the evaluators will come out in April. To date 89 referrals, 62 clients. 100% had prior law enforcement involvement and only 4% post enrollment with a significant reduction in CSU's and Detox utilization by persons served since the program began.

Hendry/Glades Update – Marcia Monroe

- CPE terminated their contract as of February 7, 2019. CFBHN is now contracting with IMPOWER, primarily a telehealth agency. Impower will be in LaBelle, Clewiston, and Moore Haven hopefully located within the Dept. of Health. Case management and in-home visits will also be provided. Meetings between the Dept. of Health and IMPOWER are occurring. Referrals have been slow but active CPE clients have been transitioned to IMPOWER.
- CPE is still doing Mobile Crisis and Centerstone is providing the CAT Team in the area.
- An updated report will be made available for the March meeting

Kevin Lewis notified the board he has received calls from the school systems in that area about concerns relating to Medicaid clients not having access to services. Marcia advised a lengthy list of contacts has being created with updates going out weekly. CFBHN has been working with the schools providing contacts for the Medicaid plans. Glades county schools recently reached out to an organization called HEADS who have come to the school to provide Medicaid services. Marcia will research more on the Medicaid students and bring that to the next meeting.

Thomas Stormanns asked if it was possible for some ED patients who are not being admitted for inpatient services to receive Mobile Crisis services as a 'warm handoff' to assist with the coordination of outpatient services. It would be difficult and unlikely at this time based on the funding, staff & services available, time factors, geographic limits, and an age limit of 25, the target population for these services. Linda advised that there are current projects that utilize Peer Specialists in ER's to provide a similar service and CFBHN would be willing to discuss further.

5. TOPIC: Committee Reports

Executive Committee:

The committee reviewed the 990 and operational audit. The committee charged the governance committee with the review of the by-laws for the option to hold the executive and board meetings every other month with a minimum of six meetings per year.

Governance Committee:

The committee completed the Sanctioning and Penalties Enactment Policy which will be sent to the board for approval next month.

Finance Committee:

November 2018 YTD Statement & Cash Flow – the committee met and approved the financials. The EC recommended to approve & it was approved.

Quality Improvement Committee:

The committee will begin reviewing equity at the next meeting.

IS Strategic Committee:

FASAMS is live but there are some issues with submission to DCF. The next meeting is in March. The IS & All Provider's meetings being combined for now. Invitations will be sent.

Legislative Committee:

The committee provided an update from Natalie Kelly, CEO of FAME relating to statewide efforts and education of new legislators. Doris and staff put together a tool kit. The white paper provided by Scott Eller's describing the system expansion was reviewed. The System Enhancement Plan is being worked on by staff.

6. TOPIC: Regional Council Reports

Circuit 20:

The council met and reviewed a presentation from CPE, mobile crisis provider on their rollout, model, how they'll interface with the providers and they're up and running in Charlotte & Lee Counties expansion of telehealth services & focus is on the child welfare. More information will be provided once more data is received. Telehealth goes to where the consumer is which could be out in the community or home. SalusCare rolled out telehealth earlier this week and they're using DocuSign.

Circuit 13:

The council did not meet.

Circuit 12:

The circuit is working with Shivana from DCF concerning the utilization of SA services for families impacted by opioids and trying to look at the services that are in demand. Also working with the DOH on a project called "Looper" which is a prevention grant for substance and opioid in partnership with the CDC. As a result of meeting with Shivana, each county came up with an outline of the various SA funding sources within each county to better identify what funds are available for various services.

Circuit 10:

The council met on 2/1/19. The child welfare (CW) integration plan that was established locally with CW providers and Heartland for Children have been progressing nicely and they have jointly applied to the next conference in August to provide a presentation on the effectiveness of the integration. Heartland for Children currently has the fewest number of children sheltered in 4 years.

Winter Haven Hospital has engaged the use of Uber Health (transport service paid by the respective agency) to engage/integrate Healthcare & MH services. Bob would like to have a discussion on the process of engaging RC's in prioritizing services using supportive housing as a preliminary topic.

Circuit 6 Pinellas

The circuit meetings (Acute Care and Mobile Crisis) have been consolidated into one committee to be more effective and efficient. Regional Councils will be held on an as needed basis. That committee group will report up to the more formal System of Care (SOC) organization that can recommend changes.

Working with the schools has presented some legal issues but they're working through it. Schools are using the Sandy Hook Promise. The promise is an app that can be used anonymously by children to report concerns about other students and it is being used.

Zero Suicide Initiative – Pinellas Co. is #9 in Baker Acts <18, per 100,000 lives and #1 per 100,000 in Baker Acts for adults 25+. There’s still a lot of work to do but it’s believed that there’s more coordination and sharing of information between providers than ever which provides hope.

Circuit 6 Pasco

The council discussed the successful use of Uber Health by BayCare for about a year now with no issues. YAR & Pasco School representatives are now attending the regional council meetings.

Mobile Crisis is fully staffed with peers & licensed counselors who starting to receive calls & meeting with schools and law enforcement. The Pasco Sheriff’s office doing a great job in providing high utilizer information on adults with more than 3 Baker Acts or arrests within 90-days allowing providers to cross reference with behavioral health and connect clients with services. The Sheriff’s office will begin sharing the same information on juveniles.

Thomas asked if Baker Act and admissions information could be shared so more coordination could be done in helping patients with multiple admissions. Tracy advised that is the goal and that law enforcement has all the Baker Act information that they initiate regardless of where individual is taken to.

The Hillsborough YAR meeting with two local judges recently initiated using a multi-agency release form for the parents prior to hearings. Marcia will send a copy to Thomas and Josh requested a copy as well. 2 full day meetings are planned – 1st was held at the end of January & next will be held at the end of March to address the data relating to BH/SA issues in 4 particular counties (Pinellas, Pasco, Hillsborough, & Polk). The suicide data project with USF relating to the same 4 counties plus Hernando is coming in but still needs some scrubbing. The results will be presented at the acute care meetings when ready.

7. TOPIC: Open Agenda

Dr. Johnson advised that Pinellas, Pasco, Polk, & Hillsborough counties are all launching a community health assessment. She will send out emails requesting people to take it and it will also be sent to Laura for distribution.

8. TOPIC: Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:39p.m.
The next meeting is scheduled for March 29, 2019.

Approval

The minutes of this meeting were approved at the Board of Directors’ meeting conducted on February 22, 2019. A signed copy of the minutes may be requested in writing to:

Brena Slater, Secretary - CFBHN Board of Directors via email to lgross@cfbhn.org, via fax to 813-740-4821 or via written request.
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Respectfully submitted by _____ - Brena Slater, Secretary