

Special Meeting Minutes December 11, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: Meeting was called to order at 9:04 am

Board Members:

- Kevin Shutty, BOCC
- Mark Freedmon, Behavioral Health Organization (BHO)
- Marilyn Vogler, Citizen
- Beau Bakken, Citizen
- Peggy VanBuskirk, MC Board of Health
- Randy Olson, Citizen

Staff Members:

- Lydia Buchheit, MC Public Health
- Abe Gardner, MC Public Health
- Todd Parker, MC Public Health

Guests:

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion was made by Marilyn Vogler and seconded by Peggy VanBuskirk to approve the agenda. **Motion carried unanimously.**

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Motion was made by Peggy VanBuskirk and seconded by Marilyn Vogler to approve the regular minutes from October 23, 2019 meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.**

5. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH:

UPDATE of TST CONTRACT EXTENSIONS-The four behavioral health Treatment Sales Tax (TST) funded contracts, Consejo Counseling, Peninsula Community Health Services, Behavioral Health Resources and Northwest Resources have been extended for 6 months effective 1-1-2020 in order to have time to evaluate the changes in 2020 with the Managed Care Organization's management of Medicaid services.

DISCUSSION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICE GAPS AND FUNDING:

INTERCEPT MODEL-Handout was given of the intercept model for the board to be aware of how the services in Mason County fit into the model.

JUVENILE COURT LETTER RE: LOST SERVICES- Jim Madsen discussed they are losing services that the former BHO funded that will be effective 1/1/2020. These services were for Community Youth Services to evaluate very high-risk youth needing mental health or substance use disorder services while in detention. Staff will be working with Jim to develop a proposal to present to the board for the gap in services needed.

PUBLIC DEFENDER- TST funds that are paying for some public defender services including Mental Health evaluation services had been reviewed in the past month to determine if the services being offered were appropriate for these funds. It was found to be appropriate use of the funding.

THURSTON/MASON INTEGRATED LEADERSHIP STRUCTURE (ILS) –The ILS serves as the primary avenue for communication, coordination and informed decision making throughout the transition and implementation of integrated managed care in Thurston and Mason County. Mason County staff and our HBHB keeping informed of transition progress will impact how we spend TST funding.

JAIL FUNDING: Staff shared about their work in the introduction of MAT (medication assisted treatment) services in the jail and having public health’s staff, Abe Gardner, spend some time assisting with the coordination of these and other re-entry services. We will update at the January progress on these new gap services.

6. HOUSING:

SHELTER OUTCOMES: The Temporary Housing Dashboard operated by the Housing Unit at the Department of Commerce was reviewed to compare Mason County shelter outcomes to other counties. In general, other counties had higher outcomes in exits to permanent housing from adult shelters.

The Advisory Board asked how Community Lifeline’s adult shelter was updating the community, specifically law enforcement on nightly availability.

VETERAN STAND-DOWN RESULTS: 57 Veterans attended, 18 experiencing homelessness.

7. ADJOURN:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am

8. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: January 22, 2019

Next Meeting:

- Go over annual report
- Amend membership section of Resolution
- Review TST Funds, Gaps in services & Priorities in Funding