

Local Behavioral Health Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

April 15, 2020, 5:00 pm

Howard County Health Department, Webex Hosted

Present: Michele Brown, Janet Edelman, Jim Filipczak, Bruce MacDonald, Joan Webb Scornaienchi, Lisa Davis, Genny LaPorte, Jack Kavanagh, Cindy Johnson, Mike Demidenko, Andre’a Watkins, Stephen Foster, Brook Hubbard, Cindy Kirk, William Tucker, Hilari Young, Mark Donovan, John Way, Timothy Madden

Excused: Robert Ehrhardt, Julie Cleveland

Unexcused: Jacqueline Scott

Staff: Roe Rodgers-Bonaccorsy, Shereen Cabrera-Bentley, Heather Moore, Miriam Bennett

Guests:

Topic/Agenda	Discussion	Action/Follow-up
Welcome and Introductions	Meeting called to order by Jim at 5:03 pm.	
Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve Agenda for April 15, 2020	Vote: The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.
Approval of Minutes	Motion to approve March 11, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes	Vote: The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.
Attendance Review	Jim stated due to the meeting format, Webex, there will not be formal introductions. Robert Ehrhardt and Julie Cleveland requested excuse from the meeting.	
LBHA Director Updates	Roe reported the following: Overview of BH action items we have been working during the COVID19 pandemic: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Behavioral Health /COVID-19 messaging for social media development website 2. FAQs for the public related to behavioral health and coronavirus 3. FAQs for providers related to behavioral health and coronavirus 4. List of Behavioral Health Providers following Telehealth 5. Information posted on the hchealth.org (BH page) and hclhic.org 	

	<p>Weekly BH provider Webex meetings focused on BH/COVID-19:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 3/25 Behavioral Health telehealth 2. 4/1 Self Care 3. 4/8 Suicide Prevention 4. 4/15 Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)/telehealth 5. 4/24 Special populations - Non-English speaking and Behavioral Health impact/services 6. 5/6 Stages of Trauma and Recovery (STAR) CEU training open to the public 7. Developing Bureau of Behavioral Health video clips Behavioral Health /COVID19 information for public 8. Developing Behavioral Health video/Webex BH/COVID19 information for public <p>The Behavioral Health Administration (BHA) through the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) has and is continuing to create FAQs and guidance documents related to behavioral health and coronavirus. Those documents can be found on their website. bha.health.maryland.gov If you have any questions for BHA, please send to bhainquiries@maryland.gov.</p>	
<p>Program Development Committee Updates</p>	<p>Janet reported the following: No updates and no meeting held since the last Board meeting.</p>	
<p>Board Development Updates</p>	<p>Michelle reported the following: Motion to submit Asiyah Bora for an available board position. Motion to submit Jane Warfel for an available board position.</p> <p>The Board Development committee is also accepting nominees for the Executive Board.</p>	<p>Action Item: 2 Votes: The motions were seconded and unanimously approved.</p> <p>Michele to send out information on Executive Board nomination.</p> <p>Next Steps: 2 members were both voted in, Michele and Bruce to write up recommendation for County Exec. Michele will submit to Jim who will edit and then send to Roe, Miriam and Heather for further edits. Roe will then submit to County Exec for final review and approval.</p>

Strategic Development Updates	No updates and this time. The Strategic Plan was submitted to BHA/MDH in February 2020.	
Other Items	<p>Janet asked about length of service and decision that had been made on staggers terms. Roe, Janet, Jim and Cindy Johnson to have a follow up call regarding this.</p> <p>Cindy asked for Miriam to send list of members and current positions.</p>	<p>Roe will arrange Webex call on staggered terms.</p> <p>Miriam will send list of members and current positions to Roe, Janet, Jim, and Cindy Johnson to prepare for the meeting.</p>
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 pm.	Vote: The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.
Announcements	<p>Miriam Bennett to everyone: Tia is out of office until July 1 2020. Until then, Heather can be reached at hmoore@howardcountymd.gov and Miriam can be reached at MBennett@howardcountymd.gov .</p>	
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:23 pm	

Next Meeting Dates: May 13, 2020, June 10, 2020