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## Behavioral Health Advisory Board

Date: Friday, November 15th, 2024

Time: 12:00pm – 1:30pm

Location: Stan Owen, 2577 NE Courtney Dr. Bend, OR 97701

Attendees: Linda Nolte, Peter Boehm, Kara Cronin, Stephanie Utzman, Christina Lee, Dana Murray, Holly Harris, Kristin Mozzochi, Amber Clegg, Julie McFarlane, Melinda Thomas, Nicole Von Laven, Bri Shulte, Lee Butler, Michael Schultz, Danielle MacBain

### Agenda Items

<p>12:00PM – 12:20PM</p>	<p><b>Approval of August Meeting Minutes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Melinda moved to approve minutes, Christina second.</li> </ul> <p><b>Announcements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fundraiser- December 3<sup>rd</sup> Bend Pizza Kitchen 5-7pm, 20% to NAMI</li> <li>Golf raffle for 4 with kart. Sunriver went private- no longer a public course. \$700 value.</li> </ul>	<p>Roger Olson</p>
<p>12:20PM – 12:45PM</p>	<p><b>Director’s Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Holly thanked members- Roger and Lorelei</li> <li>Roger hopes to continue to contribute</li> <li>Roger gave shout out to Lorelei for her passion and involvement in BHAB.</li> <li>Commissioner Adair gave a shout out to Lorelei for being at the front desk at 1300 NW Wall.</li> </ul> <p><b>Secure Residential Treatment</b></p> <p>Going to board for final signature on Monday.        It should take about 18 months to complete.        It’s in Redmond, which may keep it on track. Bend can be slower to move on construction.</p> <p><b>Adult Foster Homes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Touring sites on Tuesday.</li> <li>One for Mental Health and one specific to MH and IDD collaboration.</li> </ul>	<p>Holly Harris</p>



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	<p><b>Child Psych Facility</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There was a meeting on Monday to do a cost analysis- looking promising</li> <li>• Meeting with state to understand licensing requirements.</li> <li>• 15 bed facility</li> </ul> <p><b>Legislative</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AOCMP- not expecting to get additional funds. However, this can change.</li> <li>• Workforce Funds           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ May not receive dollars for things like stipends or paid internship program, or incentives for recruitment. .</li> <li>○ Instead, it may look more like higher ed working with us to fast track programs or ease up on state requirements for licensure.</li> <li>○ Why is there a shortfall?               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Patti noted that Oregon has the highest taxed state. Was grateful that Measure 118 didn't pass as that would have raised prices.</li> <li>▪ Employee healthcare costs have gone up 29% last year. This could also be happening at the state level.</li> <li>▪ With Behavioral Health being 1/3 of the county, when these costs go up, it's in the millions of dollars. This is all a huge cost contributing to the shortfall.</li> <li>▪ County wise we are really trying to cut back.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• Patti Adair noted that 225K was allotted for a plan with Shepherds house to buy a house for women and children.           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ They plan to do smaller facilities which has shown better success rates.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The veteran's housing has been waiting for the new bathrooms to be approved. Commissioner Adair is hoping this is approved soon.           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 40 veterans that have moved on to permanent housing and seem happy and comfortable. Thank you to COVO for running that.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<p>12:45PM – 1:00PM</p>	<p><b>Rack Card Inclusivity Language</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Melinda had sent 3 options for inclusivity language for the rack card.           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Linda Nolte likes the second one, stating it was short and sweet.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Motion language office rack Number.</li> <li>• Roger called a vote on statements.</li> </ul>	<p>Melinda Thomas</p>



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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Statement 2 won the vote, and Melinda made the motion, and Jessica second.</li> <li>2.</li> </ol> <p><b>Linda Nolte extended the invitation to adult foster homes that she runs.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invitation to anyone who would like to visit an adult foster home.</li> <li>• She is licensed to have 2 people; however, other homes have 4.</li> <li>• Linda would like to learn more about everyone’s jobs.</li> <li>• Holly offered to do a tour. Reach out Holly directly if you’d like a tour of the Stabilization center or other locations.</li> <li>• Anyone who is interested, please reach out to Holly Harris directly.</li> </ul>	
<p>1:00PM – 1:15PM</p>	<p><b>Onboarding Committee Updates</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Both officers have stepped down from positions, and Roger has stepped down from the board. There are other positions open as well.</li> <li>• Currently- Peter, Cameron, and Melinda</li> <li>• Review applications for board members and make recommendations.</li> <li>• We need a minimum of 9 members out.</li> <li>• Christina Lee started an e-mail at St. Charles and shared that Molly Wells-Darling has shown interest in applying. Dana shared Molly’s information with Melinda.</li> </ul> <p><b>Officers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This committee is supposed to make nominations for Chairs, but not ready to do so.</li> <li>• There was a suggestion to have an interim for January- Melinda has offered to do so.</li> <li>• Julie suggested that people send Roger an email if you’d like to be a chair, then people come prepared.</li> <li>• The bylaws to state what the Chairs are responsible for.</li> <li>• No one was willing to state they’d like to be Chair during the meeting.</li> </ul> <p><b>Transitional Youth Representation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Only received a few applicants, but were above the age group we were hoping for, though still college students.</li> <li>• There was some feedback that the title was confusing and maybe not as enticing for college students who have many options.</li> <li>• NAMI seems to be getting quite a few interns.</li> </ul>	<p>Melinda Thomas</p>



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<p>1:15PM – 1:30PM</p>	<p><b>Community Outreach Presentation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lorelei and Julie and a meeting about what it should look like moving forward- Had different ideas of what it should be. They came up with 3 ideas of what it could be:       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Community Outreach with a table at a fair, handing out brochures (rack cards).</li> <li>2. Going into the community to invite people into BHAB for very brief informational sessions (15 minutes) to learn about other departments. We don't want to go back to 45 minutes presentations.</li> <li>3. Outreach where someone from the committee sets up a monthly or every other month tour at other sites and anyone from the group is welcome to go. Then, one of them brings back a 5 -10-minute presentation on what they learned at the next meeting.           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ This is the option that Lorelei and Julie liked best and decided on.</li> <li>▪ They could visit places like The Drop, Stabilization Center, etc.</li> <li>▪ This would be optional to join.</li> <li>▪ You can always reach out to Julie with ideas and feedback. She would be happy to coordinate.</li> <li>▪ The bylaws also allow for booths at fairs, etc., too.</li> <li>▪ Mike Shultz also suggested that we target where we go and it could be events and not just locations, and bring this information and advocacy back to elected officials.</li> <li>▪ Patti Adair suggested Rascal Rodeo- kids come and IDD children and adult children.</li> <li>▪ We used to move this meeting to different buildings but that was challenging.</li> </ul> </li> </ol> </li> </ul>	<p>Julie McFarlane</p>
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Subcommittee	Members
Membership and Onboarding Committee	Cameron Fischer, Peter Boehm, Melinda Thomas
Community Outreach	Lorelei Kryzanek, Jill Adams, Julie McFarlane



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<b>Letters of Support/Advocacy</b>	Melinda Thomas, Lee Butler
<b>Calendar Committee and liaison</b>	