



# Behavioral Health Board – Region 3

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### Region 3 Behavioral Health Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 24, 2021

10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

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**Board Member Attendees:**

Aaron St. George	Alex Zamora	Brian Lee	Charles Christiansen	Christopher Partridge
Dahlia Stender	Greg Dickerson	Heather Taylor	Jeri Gowen	Joy Husmann
Laura Raynor	Laurie Edwards	Leslie Van Beek	Lina Smith	Marc Shigeta
Mark Rekow	Melissa Mezo	Michelle Sundquist	Penny Dunham	Penny Jones
Tricia Lofton	Shawneen McGee			

**Additional Attendees:**

Charlene Cariou	Mindy Oldenkamp	Lillian Toumey	Jeff Cappe	Chief Kunka
Tricia Ellinger	Sal Padilla	Wendy Stoneberg	Claudia Coatney	Emily Straubhar
Nikki Zogg	Alejandra Del Toro	Anna Guida	Tricia Ellinger	Cristina Froude

**Agenda:**

Topic	Discussion	Motion	Action
Call Meeting to Order Roll Call Introduction	Meeting called to order at 10:07 a.m. Quorum met.		

Approval of February 2021 Meeting Minutes	Board members reviewed the February minutes.	A motion was made, and seconded, to approve the February 2021 minutes; motion carried unanimously.	Emily to upload approved minutes to the BHB website.
Executive Committee Update	<p>Melissa Mezo provided an update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The February EC meeting minutes were approved.</li> <li>• EC members discussed their concerns about the budget and spending. EC members and SWDH will meet to discuss this, along with reviewing an itemized budget.</li> <li>• There are some discrepancies with regard to carryover funds. Mindy Oldenkamp and Troy Cunningham are communicating about this concern and will find a resolution. The fiscal year ends on June 30th.</li> <li>• BHB meetings are open to the public. Members are encouraged to reach out to Emily if they would like to attend in-person.</li> </ul>		
Review Board Bylaws	<p>Board members reviewed the edited board bylaws, beginning with Article V: Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Board members discussed what to do in the event that a vote is tied. Chuck suggested that unless a motion receives a majority vote the motion is lost, and in the event the vote is tied and it does not receive a majority vote, it is also lost.</li> <li>• Board members reviewed time expectation of 3 -6 hours/ month. Melissa explained that these hours include attending Board meetings, reviewing documents, and communication.</li> </ul>		<p>Emily to update edits suggested by the board.</p> <p>Emily to accept changes to the Board Bylaws and send out to the Board for final approval. Board members will vote on the Action Item to approve bylaws at April BHB meeting.</p>
PFS Discussion	<p>Joy Husmann led the discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For the past two years, the CMH subcommittee was heavily involved with the PFS grant and new leadership within SWDH has changed the workflow. There is concern that the BHB has signed off on the special terms and condition but they are not actively involved.</li> <li>• Per PFS grant language, the BHB is to meet with the PFS contract monitor once a year, review the budget, and serve</li> </ul>		

	<p>a role in the action plan. The Board has not been involved with any of these activities since October 2020.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Charlene expressed her understanding to be that the last conversation regarding the PFS grant and the BHB was that it was a strong partnership with collaborative opportunities to address youth substance use, but that the ownership and implementation is done by the district because of the full-time employee support.</li><li>• Board members discussed that they don't know what is going on within the PFS grant, nor can they speak to the activities.</li><li>• Grant language states that although the funds are allocated to the public health district, activities will be carried out by or with approval of the RBHB. Joy noted that this language is also stated in the 39-page document through ODP. Additionally, the Board would like to see financial documents that detail what programs and projects are currently taking place within the PFS grant.</li><li>• Melissa expressed her concern that as the Chair to the BHB, and as the person who signed off on the special terms and conditions, that she could not speak to the activities taking place if ODP asked her.</li><li>• Charlene explained her understanding of ODP'S intent is that the public health districts partner and collaborate with the regional behavioral health board, but there is no expectation that the regional behavioral health board is the doer and implementer of the work. She asked the board if the intent is to become a doer or if the goal is to better align and reflect the partnership of collaboration.</li><li>• Chuck shared that his biggest concern is that the board follow the requirements of the contract and that everything the board has signed off on is being done.</li><li>• Heather stated she sees the role of the Board as high-level planning and that the execution of the activities would live with the coordinator. This could be done on an annual basis and then continue the monthly updates that are include in the packet. Several board members echoed this suggestion.</li></ul>		
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Charlene clarified that a draft action plan was shared in a packet that included a new column for the individual/ organization responsible, versus partner organization. It is updated to reflect the BHB as a strong partner in the work. She stated that she can add in budget components as part of the original action and development.</li> <li>• Joy shared that the BHB was removed from the action plan in December 2020 and that the CMH subcommittee did not have any information to go on from that action plan. She shared that if she was to meet with Marguerite she would not be able to describe what was going on within the PFS work for the last six months.</li> <li>• Chuck recommended that the board review and approve the action plan twice a year to fit the two yearly visits from ODP.</li> <li>• ODP released an updated grant manual – Charlene received it but has not reviewed it yet. She did state that some of the questions raised by the group may be addressed in the manual.</li> <li>• Melissa requested a bullet point by bullet point answer to what SWDH is currently doing and how each special term and activity is being met.</li> <li>• Joy recommended that any correspondence between ODP and the health district to include the BHB as they have signed off on the activities. Charlene asked that that request come from the board member themselves.</li> <li>• Chuck suggested that the board request from ODP anything major that may impact the contract that the board has signed off on. If there are any changes in the new manual that ODP released, the contract will need to be updated. He also recommended setting up a time on the annual agenda for the board to approve the project, the proposed actions, and the budget.</li> </ul>		<p>Charlene will work with Jeff on getting the action plan ready for review. Charlene and Jeff will work to provide an update to every bullet point listed in the PFS grant. To be submitted at either April or May BHB meeting.</p>
<p>Annual Presentation by Director, SWDH</p>	<p>Nikki Zogg presented on the following topics:</p> <p>COVID-19:</p>		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SWDH is administering COVID-19 vaccines, deployed a new data dashboard, hired a new Community Health Worker to help connect individuals impacted by the virus to resources, and hired a new infectious epidemiologist.</li> <li>• SWDH is implementing an emergency response transition of incorporating COVID-19 into an integrated program within the district. Hopefully completed by June 2021.</li> </ul> <p>Strategic Plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Board of Health will be planning their strategic plan next month. Health Taylor is the BHB designee to participate.</li> </ul> <p>House Bill 316</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This bill addresses the cost of Medicaid expansion. As the Bill is written, it would require the counties to assume the cost of what the states currently report to the public health districts as a negotiation process to have counties take ownership of the costs.</li> </ul>		
Review Strategic Plan	Strategic plan will be reviewed at the April Behavioral Health Board.		
Community Updates and Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intermountain Mountain Hospital is undergoing a major renovation. It is anticipated to be a year long project and will expand into additional units.</li> <li>• Ambitions of Idaho is hosting a peer support certification in April. General support groups are up and running.</li> <li>• Penny Dunham announced there is a peer support position opening in Payette and Caldwell.</li> <li>• For the month of April, the Idaho Resilience Project will focus on children's mental health.</li> <li>• Lillian Toumey shared about the Idaho Support Groups in support of life after COVID-19.</li> <li>• Intermountain Hospital is hosting a lecture on April 9<sup>th</sup> about compassion fatigue and burnout.</li> </ul>		
Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.		

Next Behavioral Health Board Meeting:

Wednesday, April 28, 2021  
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.