

**Malheur County Community Mental Health,
Local Alcohol and Drug and Development Disabilities Advisory Committee**

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1:30 pm MT

Committee Members:

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Micaela Cathey; Lifeways, welcomed the group.

- There were no corrections to the meeting minutes from last meeting. **Susan Gregory** moved to approve the minutes as presented. **Jen Susuki** seconded. All approved. **Minutes were approved as presented.**
- Committee Bylaws were presented to the group. A chair for the committee will need to be approved. Lifeways will serve as the secretary.

Bylaws were shared and will be forwarded out to the group after the meeting via email. Voting chairs would normally be completed annually in April. Due to the late start of getting this meeting going, nominations will be completed now.

A question was asked who would be responsible for writing the annual written report. Micaela Cathey is unsure how this would be done in Malheur County. We would support the CHAW and CHIP reports. Sarah Poe would like to see the functions on the group and where we stand on each of these items. Would like to decide how to cover the functions – will make this a standing agenda item. **Everyone was in favor of adding this item to the standing agenda going forward.**

Bob Dickinson moved to approve the bylaws; Sarah Poe seconded. **The bylaws will be moved to County Court.** Micaela Cathey will speak to **Stephanie Williams** regarding adoption at County Court.

- Chair and Vice Chair for the committee were discussed. **Jenn Susuki** was nominated as **Chairman. All approved, no opposition.** **Bob Dickinson** was nominated for **Vice Chair. All approved, no opposition.**
- **Sarah Poe – Malheur County Health Department** - presented to the group an update on Covid. 528 cases – 500 within last month. Positive rate has gone up. There are a significant number of contacts with these rates going up. Malheur county is closely watching Idaho. Sarah shared

that they currently have a campaign to help the Malheur economy, which is wear your mask for the economy. There is a link on their website. Face coverings will be mandated for ages 5 and up. Restaurants and bars will be required to close at 10 pm. Face coverings will be required while exercising indoors and outdoors if physical distancing isn't possible. There will be a capacity limit on venues to 100 individuals indoors including staff.

- **Melissa Williams** and **Jenn Susuki**– can we review the status of schools for the fall at next meeting? Biggest concern now is staff and bargaining units, etc.
- A survey for access was sent out yesterday from **Micaela Cathey**. This is for internal, as well as clients, employees and community partners. She is asking to please share this with anyone who regularly works with Lifeways to get most comprehensive information possible.
- There have been some developments in school-based services. Will hold off on updates until a meeting with Mark has been held. Will be some contracting with VFH. **Further update next meeting.**
- Mental Health at Community Corrections was discussed. Lifeways is currently in the process of making an offer for someone to fill the vacant position that C Copenhagen held.
- **Liz Johnsen**; Lifeways presented dashboard reports. Currently trending lower than last few years for same time frame. Liz is asking how can Lifeways bend and twist to meet clients where we and they need to be? What programs can we drill down on and present to the group? The Quality Department is currently building reports for the group on programs that were inquired about last month.
- **Liz Johnsen** reported our first MAT (Medication Assisted Treatment) appointment was completed last week. Liz asked how we can get connected with Malheur Health Department clients. **Sarah Poe** agreed, they want to make these referrals to Lifeways. Will need to build trust and have peers in the community.
- **Jim St Michell** discussed the jail wrap around program. With Covid some of this has halted.
- **Wendy Hill** asked how often or if we have been invited to The All Staff Meetings to discuss the MAT Program. Clients need more contact with Lifeways. Wendy can get all invites to unit meetings or All Staffs, whatever works best. The pandemic unemployment insurance ends July 25th.
- **Kelly Dickinson** asked if **Sarah** has numbers or trending how many heroin or syringe exchange clients they are seeing. Kelly advised that testing for them is geared towards what OHA wants. We do an 8-panel lab. Sarah advised she usually sees pretreatment clients, who are currently not in jail.
- **Kellie Dickinson** updated all on Lifeways SUD services. Victim Impact Panel was discussed. Next on schedule is August 4. Looking how this will be presented. Trying to create an event online for registration. Lifeways is working with Sarah's team on Prime Plus program. Scheduled for August 10th. LRC update was given. Target open date has been moved to September 1.

- Leanne Swetland gave an update on CDDP. State review will begin next Tuesday.
- Public Comments were asked for at this point in the meeting.

Jenn Susuki answered the question on how can we do more outreach. It was asked if there were any facilities in Nyssa or Vale. There seems to be a lot of students in Annex or Juntura that can only go to counseling after school. Any conversation on offering a clinic that people could get in and see a clinician? **Liz Johnsen** answered that we could certainly investigate this. Liz Johnsen gave names of **Micaela Cathey** and **Ron Van Ausdal** for a contact for this. This idea will be brought up to the superintendents to ask for space sharing. **Jenn Susuki** will take this to the board and get back to **Micaela Cathey**.

Jim St Michell asked about CADC's and how many work with adults, and the one doing the BIP program at the jail and how quickly clients are getting through the process. There is some concern with clients completing this too rapidly. **Micaela Cathey** will investigate this and compare to rule for follow up. **Jim** has some notes on specifics if needed. **Kelly will contact Jim**.

Susan Gregory wanted to follow up with **Kelly** on the Juvenile side wants. Private insurance billings are an issue. Currently sending juveniles to another provider. Will there be anger management classes? **Micaela** to follow up on private insurance billings.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:57 pm MT.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lifeways