

San Luis Valley Behavioral Health Group
March 19, 2019

Members Present: Jerry Gallegos, Laurie Rivera, Marcella Garcia, Louise Sanchez, Richard Pacheco, Pat Stanford, George Wilkinson, Olivia Martinez and Fernando Martinez

Members Excused: Brenda Vialpando

Staff Present: Victoria Romero, Jennifer Silva, Cindy Lopez, Toni Martin and Azarel Madrigal

1. Roll Call/Declaration of Quorum

2. Approval of Agenda

Fernando asked to add as Item 6a. 401K Presentation by Toni Martin. It was M/S by Pat Stanford and Louise Sanchez to approve the agenda with the addition. Motion carried.

3. Approval of Minutes

It was M/S by Pat Stanford and Louise Sanchez to approve the minutes from February 26, 2019 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

4. Correspondence Review

There was no correspondence for the month.

5. Financial Committee Report

Pat Stanford explained that the finance committee met today, Cindy reviewed the Statement of Expenditures, and Revenues for the month ended February 26, 2019. It was M/S by George Wilkinson and Olivia Martinez to file the financial statements for audit. Motion carried.

6. Proposed Budget Amendments - Cindy

It was M/S by Louise Sanchez and George Wilkinson to approve the Budget amendments as presented. Motion carried.

6a. 401K Presentation – Toni Martin

The board has asked for more information regarding the 401K plan be provided. It was M/S by Laurie Rivera and Richard Pacheco to table this discussion until the next board meeting.

7. Review of Minutes – SLV Asset Management Corp

Pat Stanford explained that the board met today and reviewed the cash position that shows total operating cash/investments of \$6,009,690. Our investment is up \$44,927 since February. It was approved to withdraw the Alamosa CD and Money Market accounts and invest the funds with Raymond James. We need approval from the State

Highway to pave the parking lot at the Del Norte office. Once we receive approval we will pave, put in sidewalks and landscape. We are working with the architect for plans to build on our vacant lot. Once we receive the plans, we will submit to the City for approval. They recommend us applying to annex into the City. One benefit is our water will be cheaper if we annex.

8. CEO Report

Health Colorado – Not much has changed since Cathy and Jason’s arrival to fill the vacancies. Tina is still on administrative leave and her return date is not yet known. The biggest concern has been with not meeting a deliverable regarding our HMO reporting obligations. Part of the problem was that a required software package was not installed to meet the reporting format. Myron was able to retain legal counsel who specialize in HMO deliverables. He participated in the license review meeting to explain what has occurred and why we should not be placed on suspension. His defense of Health Colorado won the day with only a nominal fine and a stern warning for it not to happen again.

We are in the process of reviewing the letters and resumes of the applicants that met the screening criteria and our goal is to start interviewing in the next two weeks. We have settled on screening 10 out of a pool of 35. We hope to find one out of this batch and if not we will move down to the next set.

Sandy is helping at the office and has contracted with a local temp company. She will continue to lend support as needed.

Del Norte– We have moved into the facility and are very pleased with the renovations. We are ready to engage contractors on the exterior of the building as the weather allows. We hope to have an open house in May. We will have three staff at the facility and have been delivering services for two weeks. We are vamping up production as fast as staff availability allows.

Senate Bill 207 – This is the bill that has allowed additional dollars to come into our Crisis efforts in the valley. These dollars are also attached to the transportation pilot that we have created for M1 holds. The M1 events allows us as a mental health center to suspend the rights of our patients when there is an indication that they will harm themselves or others. All law enforcement across the valley are obligated to transport M1 to psychiatric hospitals across the state. Our pilot has taken this burden away and has proven to be very successful. We have been informed that our deficit will be covered this year and that the program will be extended for another three years with adequate funding. This has been a very big effort with many players involved and have been given the attention we needed from the Joint Budget Commission Analyst. Law enforcement and judicial department have been very supportive and have lent their support when called upon.

Financials – We have changed the format and hope it will be much friendlier as the board reviews them. Cindy is the author of the changes and will be presenting at the board meeting.

Benefits related to agency staff contributions – Toni Martin will be presenting the information that has been brought to our attentions by our broker. The events that unfolded will require the board to go into executive session.

Myers and Stafford Audit – We are waiting on the final report. This is related to what costs they will recognize and untimely set the rate for our center. We have been concerned that they identified several costs that were not allowable and we have since countered. The audit is now an annual event.

Board Retreat – We have identified a facilitator who will work with the board to address two main topics. The two topics are the agency's mission/value statement and strategic planning to set in motion our path forward into the future. She is very engaging and we are excited to have her facilitate the day's event.

State Crisis RFP – We still do not know how the judge will rule on this matter. He has found merit in the arguments that we have made and at the same time is pushing for mediation. It may be that the Governor will have to get involved. We want the contract to stay with the mental health centers. There are other forces that want it to be taken over by out of state entities. More to come.

9. Board Retreat – Draft Agenda

Fernando explained that they are still finalizing the agenda with the facilitator. Arnold will do a presentation on Friday afternoon at 3pm. We will go to Gabriel's at 6 pm for dinner. A buffet breakfast will be available on Saturday morning at 7:30 am and the presentation will begin at 8:30 am.

10. Other Business

- a. Executive Session – The board went into executive session at 7:57 pm.
The board resumed its regular meeting at 8:07 pm.

11. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 19, 2018

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.