

San Luis Valley Behavioral Health Group
August 28, 2018

Members Present: Jerry Gallegos, Laurie Rivera, Brenda Vialpando, Louise Sanchez, Richard Pacheco, Marcella Garcia, Olivia Martinez and Fernando Martinez

Members Excused: Pat Stanford and George Wilkinson

Staff Present: Cathy Michopoulos, Jennifer Silva, Victoria Romero, Cindy Lopez, and Dawn Loch

1. Roll Call/Declaration of Quorum

2. Approval of Agenda

It was M/S by Louise Sanchez and Richard Pacheco to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

3. Approval of Minutes

It was M/S by Louise Sanchez and Richard Pacheco to approve the minutes from July 24, 2018 meeting as presented. Motion carried. Laurie Rivera, Brenda Vialpando, Marcella Garcia and Olivia Martinez abstained.

4. Correspondence Review

Jerry Gallegos presented the Annual Report for review.

5. Financial Committee Report

Louise Sanchez reported that the finance committee met today and reviewed the Statement of Expenditures and Revenues for the month ending July 31, 2018 and it was recommended to be brought to the full board for approval. Cathy Michopoulos reviewed the financial statements for the board. It was M/S by Louise Sanchez and Brenda Vialpando to file the financial statements for audit. Motion carried.

6. Election of Officers

It was M/S by Louise Sanchez and Richard Pacheco to nominate Laurie Rivera as President by acclamation. Motion carried. It was M/S by Olivia Martinez and Laurie Rivera to nominate Marcella Garcia as Vice President. Motion carried. It was M/S by Richard Pacheco and Marcella Garcia to nominate Pat Stanford as Secretary. Motion carried. It was M/S by Marcella Garcia and Laurie Rivera to nominate Olivia Martinez as Treasurer. Motion carried.

7. Review of Minutes – SLV Asset Management Corp

Laurie explained that the board met today and reviewed the cash position that shows total operating cash/investments of \$6,062,350. Our investment is up \$60,202 since July. Wes Ursick will be at the next board meeting. The election of officers was tabled until next month. The renovation of the CC Admin building is 10 days from being able to open and

the open house will be on Friday September 14 from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm. The 12th Judicial District will be renting office space from us. Pat Stanford will occupy an office upstairs. There is a need to expand our services in the Del Norte area and we will be looking for property. Because of the no show problems we are investigating the possibilities of doing medical transportation.

8. CEO Report

Health Colorado – There continues to be ongoing discussion on how some of the dollars will be distributed as it relates to care coordination. Fernando hopes to work it out where none of the partners have to adjust their budget because of some agreements that were rushed through at the beginning of the company. We will have a lot more discussion this coming week on this topic.

Alonzo is staying very active and getting a better handle on his responsibilities. We finalized his job description. He is in agreement with the contents and will use it as a guide to what we as a board expect of him. He is in transition to relocate and hopefully it will happen soon.

Sandy is almost fully recovered from her back surgery and is back from a short vacation. She had a wonderful Open House Gala and had a great turn out.

Tina is back from her travels and is now fully engaged with Health Colorado. Both her and Alonzo are doing the critical work with HCPF and learning on how this contract needs to be administered.

Methadone Services – The Valley continues to be in a crisis with opioid and heroin addiction. To this end, we are interested in starting up our own Methadone program to be located in Alamosa. We will be using a consultant to work out all the regulatory requirements and zoning matters that come with this type of program. We hope to expand services in the near future to other valley communities.

Attribution Complexities – All four mental health centers are required to pay for services for mental health clients that get service from other RAE's. The opposite holds true when clients attributed to other RAE's get services in our areas. The tracking and billing will become a big problem, as we have to sort where clients come from and which RAE to bill. Fortunately, we are in contract negotiations with a contractor that does this for a living. The company Left Hand LLC will help with the billing and tracking these clients. This is a separate area of responsibility that we have not had to deal with and are looking to this company to sort out the logistical startup costs.

Transportation of Medicaid Clients – We are very interested in providing transportation to our client population and will be investigating if we can apply to do this. There is a local vendor who has the regional contract. We believe that by holding this type of transportation credential we will have more influence with clients who are not meeting their appointments because of transportation limitations. More to come on this topic.

Expansion of the Soboxon Services – We are interested in taking this service to Monte Vista and servicing the valley residents west of Alamosa. The demand is great and we now have the experience to replicate this service. We have the space and willing medical professionals to help. This program does not require special certifications or zoning accommodations.

9. Other Business

a. **Important dates** – Dawn highlighted the following important dates.

1. CBHC Conference – October 11 – 13, 2018
2. Staff Recognition & Luncheon – October 26, 2018
3. Staff Holiday Party – December 7, 2018
4. Board Holiday Dinner – December 14, 2018

10. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 30, 2018

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.