

San Luis Valley Behavioral Health Group
October 24, 2017

Members Present: Jerry Gallegos, Laurie Rivera, Louise Sanchez, Richard Pacheco, Alonzo Payne, Pat Stanford, Marcella Garcia and Fernando Martinez

Members Excused: Brenda Vialpando

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

1. Roll Call/Declaration of Quorum

2. Approval of Agenda

Jerry Gallegos asked to move Executive Session to 3a. It was M/S by Louise Sanchez and Alonzo Payne to approve the agenda with the additions. Motion carried.

3. Approval of Minutes

It was M/S by Louise Sanchez and Alonzo Payne to approve the minutes from September 26, 2017 as presented. Motion carried.

3a. Executive Session

The board went into executive session at 5:45 pm

The board resumed its regular meeting at 6:25 pm.

It was M/S by Alonzo Payne and Richard Pacheco to approve Fernando's evaluation and the vehicle compensation as discussed in executive session. Motion carried.

The board discussed getting applications to the four potential new board members. Interviews will be set up for the next board meeting.

4. Correspondence Review

There was no correspondence this month.

5. Financial Committee Report

Pat Stanford explained that the finance committee met today and reviewed the Statement of Expenditures and Revenues for the months ending September 30, 2017. It was M/S by Louise Sanchez and Richard Pacheco to file the financial statements for audit. Motion carried.

6. Recommendation from Business Office - not amend the budget

The business office will not make a recommendation to amend the budget this year and believe they can operate within the budget.

7. IRS Filings

Ron Farmer will be sending the 990s through the mail now that the electronic filing was not accepted. He plans to send it this month. During his November audit presentation he will provide an update on this issue.

8. 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 \$5,311,424.

The State of Colorado will be receiving 15 million each year to improve housing for Colorado's indigent populations and rural areas will be the priorities. We have been encouraged to apply and Victoria is working on the application. We currently have 28 vouchers and are applying for 18 more. We are looking into purchasing two apartment complexes and we would apply for 24 additional vouchers.

Crisis Expansion – we are working with Detox to have four beds available. There is \$300,000 available to build and we are in contact with Ron Mazzeo to draw up a set of plans for expansion of the current detox building.

Health Solutions will now be charging for data storage. The annual charge to each center is \$15,000.

9. SyCare

Becky Otteman resigned as CEO of Southeast. Current tenants at the Kavley's building has renewed their leases and there has not been any interested buyers yet. Ron Farmer presented a favorable audit.

10. CEO Report

Crisis Contract – Through the efforts of many, the RFP was delayed one year. This is a very good news for all the mental health regions that have invested heavily in developing a crisis delivery system unique to their region.

The expansion dollars that are available in our region is to address the legislation that was passed this year, which does not let law enforcement jail individuals suffering from mental illness who have not broken the law. The expansion dollars are to encourage local communities like ours to develop some psychiatric bed capacity. The 207 bill allows dollars to flow this year and for our area, it is \$200,000.

The second pot of dollars comes from the 202 bill that targets SUD dollars for the same population, but who are also abusing substances. The amount for construction is \$100,000. Both funding sources can be combined and applied to a construction project. Fernando has asked Ron Mazzeo our architect to draw up preliminary plans to get a jump on this given that there are lines that need to be met. Fernando also asked Van Iwaarden to do the construction project. There are still some unknowns about the cost of such a facility. We are hoping it comes in the \$300,000 range and if not Fernando would like to have a conversation to see if the board is willing to invest more to make this facility a reality.

Health Colorado – Health Colorado continues to meet on the Bylaws, Administrative Service Agreement and the Allocation Agreement. In addition, we are in deep discussion on who will be the administrators for the company. We have also heard that Rocky will file a protest and will have to see how this will play out. It now looks like Aspen Pointe along with Beacon Options will file a protest as well.

Netsmart – The medical module that the other three mental health centers need for their stand-alone clinics are close to being implemented. Our center will not use it as we have gone with a different plan and chose a risk sharing partnership. We only have \$130,000 left on the original \$2,000,000 investment.

Mt. Carmel Update – All the partners have received a close out check in the amount of \$4,000.

Colorado Health Partners (CHP) – This insurance company will close on June 30, 2018 and the details of what it takes is being worked out. The A Board will no longer meet in person. A small close out meeting was held on October 13 at Arnold's Barn. The B Board will stay active through the close out period and any big issues for the A Board will be handled by way of conference calls.

Colorado Behavioral Health Council (CBHC) – We were pleased to host tours for Carolyn Kampman, the Joint Budget Committee analyst to the various MHC's in the state. She is a great resource given that she wants to learn more about the new dollars that have come into the system for crisis. She will be preparing her brief to the Joint Budget Committee in December about her findings. Doyle and her staff are very busy staying on top of all the evolving issues with new legislation and the transition of the Hickenlooper Administration.

Chief Financial Officer Position – Fernando was pleased to report that the team has hired Cathy Michopolulos. She was the controller for Health Solutions and worked there for about one year and previously to her entering the mental health system she worked for Value Options and the new company Beacon Options. Between both corporate companies, she was there 10 years and comes to us extremely qualified.

11. Other Business

a. Extra Holiday day off for staff – It was recommended by Fernando and the leadership team to close on Friday December 22, 2017 and give staff an extra day off for the Holiday. It was M/S by Alonzo Payne and Pat Stanford to accept the recommendation made and close the center on Friday December 22, 2017 and get the staff an extra paid day off. Motion carried.

b. Thank you – Richard Pacheco wanted to Thank Cindy for holding down the business office during this crazy time!

12. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Tuesday November 28, 2017

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.