

GREATER COLUMBIA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, LLC. BH-ASO

Executive Committee Meeting – **MINUTES**

MARCH 3, 2022 – 9:00 A.M. – GCBH OFFICE, 101 N. EDISON – KENNEWICK, WASHINGTON

ATTENDANCE: CHARLES AMEREIN, BRAD PECK; BRETT WACHSMITH; CHRIS SEUBERT; CODY NESBITT; CONNIE MOM-CHING; DIMITA WARREN;
GORDON CABLE; JENNIFER DANIEL; JENNIFER MAYBERRY; JIM NELSON; JOEL CHAVEZ; KAREN RICHARDSON; KYLE SULLIVAN; LADON LINDE;
MIKE BERNEY; NELLY NAVARRETTE; QUINN BELL; SARAH GILLARD; SINDI SAUNDERS; NANCY MANTEROLA; SHON SMALL; LORI HAYLES;
STEPHEN BAUMAN; JOANIE WHITE-WAGONER; RAUL GARCIA; MAURICIO GOMEZ

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1.	Call to Order		Commissioner Amerein called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.	Charles Amerein	
2.	Introductions		Sherel called roll.	Charles Amerein	
3.	Agenda Changes		None.	Charles Amerein	
4.	Previous Executive Committee Minutes		Approve February 3, 2022 Executive Committee Minutes	Charles Amerein	Shon Small moved to accept the February 3, 2022 Executive Committee minutes as presented; Mike Berney seconded; motion passed.
5.	Warrants/ Vouchers	ACTION	Approve February 28, 2022 Warrants and Vouchers in the amount of \$1,686,338.58	Charles Amerein	Shon Small moved to approve the February 28, 2022 Warrants and Vouchers in the amount of \$1,686,338.58; LaDon Linde seconded; motion passed.
6.	ASO Updates		<p>Fiscal & Administrative Updates – Karen Richardson</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. IT Update: Karen mentioned pursuing quotes for new servers that were purchased in 2013 and 2015 and nearing the end of their life. It is a little early, but due to the challenges and delays in purchasing it seemed wise to be proactive. 2. Financials as of February 28, 2022: Karen did not have the opportunity to finish the financials due to the short turnaround. Financials will be available at the April meeting or upon request. 		

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		ACTION	<p>3. Benton County Department of Human Services, Community Behavioral Health Rental Assistance (CBRA) Contract #CBRA-BCDHS-22-00 for 01/01/2022 – 06/30/2022. Karen explained this is a new contract resulting from legislative changes. This contract is for Benton and Franklin Counties. Contracts for the other counties in the region are being developed and will be presented as available.</p> <p>Clinical, QM, Compliance & State Meetings Update – Sindi Saunders</p> <p>4. HCA/MCO/ASO Updates: Sindi reported significant increases in legislative funding for behavioral health, but the Senate did not pass the 7% increase in non-Medicaid funding the House passed. Letters to the ASO's Senate representatives were encouraged and Sindi has already sent the approved letter out. Sindi reported that HB1735 Use of Force giving authority back to law enforcement and keeping our DCRs safe was signed March 1, 2022.</p> <p>5. Crisis Reports: Sindi reviewed the crisis reports sent in advance in detail, including why the reports are always a month behind due to a conflict between due dates for the information and the timing of the Executive Meeting. She noted answering crisis calls within 30 seconds is still challenging, and GCBH has been talking to both Crisis Connections and Volunteers of America (VOA) investigating possible alternatives to the current ProtoCall service. Although there are no definitive plans, Sindi noted it would be at least a couple months after the July implementation of the 988 system before either of them could get started for us. She also explained the unusually high number of 11 no bed reports in January were due to the weather closing travel to the West side of the State.</p> <p>6. State Updates: See #4.</p> <p>7. Compliance Issues: There have been no compliance issues.</p>		Chris Seubert moved to approve the CBRA Contract #CBRA-BCDHS-22-00 for 01/02/2022 – 06/30/2022 and authorize Charles Amerein to sign as Chair; Shon Small seconded; motion passed.
7.	Legal Updates		None.	Quinn Bell	
8.	Committee Reports/Info	ACTION	<p>1. Clinical Crisis Providers Committee (Sindi Saunders) February 17, 2022. Sindi chaired the February meeting since Dimita is no longer eligible to serve. Dimita's service was much appreciated and we are seeking a new chair for the committee. The main focus of the February meeting was reviewing the budgets and how to apply for funding from the two new Block Grants. She encouraged using all those funds to avoid the risk of losing any of them. There was</p>	Various	

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		ACTION	<p>also some discussion about the SUD Recovery teams for Benton and Kittitas counties.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. QMOC Committee (Sindi Saunders) No meeting due to holiday 3. Finance & Fiscal Operations (FFOC) (Mike Berney) No meeting 4. MIS Committee (Dimita Warren) February 15, 2022. Dimita noted the MIS meeting was focused on updates from the State and the Raintree system, with an emphasis on getting mobile crisis data in on time. It was also noted the annual IS Desk Audits will be starting soon and are very similar to last year with just a few additional questions. 5. BHAB (Sherel Webb) February 22, 2022. Sherel explained the policies were sent in advance for review and there were no questions or concerns. The BHAB Committee recommends the Executive Committee approve the following policies: CL353---No Bed Reporting---10-13-21; IS702---Network Security---12-13-21; IS705---Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery Plan--- 12-13-21; IS706---Data Importing Procedure---12-13-21; IS707---Data Integrity Procedures---12.13.21; IS708---Data Processing Procedure---12.13.21; QM505---Coordination of Behavioral Health Services with Other Systems of Care---12-9-21 <p>Sherel noted the membership applications were also sent in advance for review. The BHAB Committee recommends the Executive Committee approve the BHAB Committee membership applications for Gina Vasquez and Amber Daniel.</p>		<p>Shon Small moved to approve the policies noted as recommended by the BHAB Committee; Mike Berney seconded; motion passed.</p> <p>LaDon Linde moved to approve the BHAB Committee membership applications as recommended by the BHAB Committee; Jim Nelson seconded; motion passed.</p>
9.	Public Comments		<p>In response to Joanie White-Wagoner's questions during the crisis report updates, Sindi Saunders reviewed Doc 8, the Jan 2022 Extended Report Packet sent in the meeting materials in detail, noting ProtoCall's low numbers.</p> <p>Dr. Raul Garcia had questions about the transparency of the decision to terminate the Lourdes contract. Sindi noted that the termination will only affect crisis services, not Lourdes hospital. She shared the fact that historically GCBH has not used an RFP for this service and it is not standard operating procedure, noting Lourdes was chosen as a new crisis provider in 2016 without an RFP.</p> <p>Steve Bauman from Franklin County voiced concern about the termination decision being made in a vacuum and a rumor he heard</p>	Charles Amerein	

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			about crisis services being conducted via telehealth going forward. Sindi noted that the services would remain essentially the same. Telehealth would remain a supplemental service only for use when necessary or beneficial.		
10.	Other Business		None.	Charles Amerein	
11.	Executive Session		Chairman Amerein called for an Executive Session pursuant to RCW #42.30.110 (1) (i) at 9:57 a.m. for approximately 30 minutes. The regular meeting was reconvened at 10:27 a.m. noting no actions or decisions were made in Executive Session.	Charles Amerein	
12.	Adjournment		The meeting was adjourned 10:28 a.m.	Charles Amerein	