

Clay County Local Advisory Council for Children's Mental Health

Thursday, December 5th 2024 8:30 am – 10:00 am

Family Service Center, 715 11th St N. Room 4

Members Present: Joni Medenwald, The Village; Michelle Thordal, Clay County Social Services; Lindsey Ternes, Clay County Probation; Lacey Hubert, Clay County Social Services; Kara Baeth Dukart PSJ; Lukas Brandon, Restorative Justice; Michelle Mulliken, LMHC; Madeline Hill, Access of The Red River Valley; Commissioner Paul Krabbenhoft, Clay County Commissioner; Megan Hoyer, Barnesville school; Terri Busch, Clay County Public Health; Hannah Hufstedler, Crisis Mobile, Kayli Solutions Intern, Nicole England, Solutions; Josh Swanson, Juvenile Detention Center

Approval of November meeting minutes (minutes were sent out previously)

- M: Lindsey
- S: Michelle
 - i. Motion passed

Treasurer's Report: \$5,571.28

New Business:

- In the New Year we will reach out to secure the billboard for May for Mental Health Awareness month
- YLC planning for the Foster Child Youth Day on the Hill on March 3rd
 - Looking for the LAC to help increase awareness of this event
 - Lacey will invite the youth to come to the LAC to talk about their experience at the Day on the Hill in April
 - Any youth between 14-21 who have been in foster care and are STAY eligible can join the group at the event.
- Will cancel our January 2nd meeting due to many being out of the office
- Survey
 - Feel the survey is in a good spot
 - Will work to get more schools to share the survey
 - Do we want to add a youth survey (short)
 - Any ideas on questions you would want to know their perspective on send to Michelle
 - Could reach out to youth clubs to see if they would offer the QR code to youth to take the survey
 - Should we look at incentivizing participants to do the survey by offering a gift card or something
 - Madeline is aware of a way you can offer the survey then enroll the participants in a drawing; she will assist in setting this up.

Agency/Consumer Reports:

Clay County Social Services – rehiring a few positions, training all CPS staff in Motivational Interviewing which will allow more billing opportunities.

The Village Family Service Center – starting a Love & Logic group, 2 newly trained EMDR staff (Marshall & Emily) who have immediate openings for that model.

Clay County Juvenile Probation – received a grant to purchase gifts for the youth at West Central over the holidays.

Lakeland – building is close to completion, looking to add a few more therapists, waitlist for children's cm is low (under 10).

West Central Juvenile Detention Center – when detox moves out, they will remodel the space for the new-to-launch girls transitional living program. Hired a supervisor for the transitional living program (both for males & females) and continue to build the staff.

Barnesville schools – the student body took part in a k-12 coin drive to raise funds to purchase gifts for families in need.

Prairie St Johns – openings for both adolescents & adults, adolescent day treatment has an optional educational component regarding chemical/substance usage led by a LAC, medication management walk in services for all ages is available at St. Genevieve, making progress on the new parking lot, looking to do a community-based event for children and adolescents service providers (including CEU's) so send any ideas to Kara.

UC Hope – provides community support for the families in the DGF school district; can reach out to Connie or Cindy for more information. Also run a thrift store in Glyndon to raise funds for the community - they accept donations 24 hours/day.

Public Health – free covid tests for all, good to have on hand during the holiday season, helping with nursing needs at the Juvenile Center.

Clay County Commissioners – work continues with CAP LP for the development of the Family Resource Center which won't be a building but will be mobile throughout the community. Hired a new Clay County Collaborative Coordination – will be 2 individuals (Peggy & Stephanie) through REACH who will start in January. The PRTF project continues exploring possible building options, support is there on both the Senate and House side along with other counties and community leaders.

Restorative Justice – had some challenging situations recently, continue strengthening the partnership with Moorhead PD (SRO's), applying for a grant opportunity to support at risk youth by partnering with already established programs and possibly hiring another staff to

focus on prevention, planning a restorative justice conference at MSUM this Spring. Training on the Circle Process on April 7 & 8th and the conference will be on April 9 & 10th.

Youth Leadership Council (Clay & Becker) – working hard on the Foster Care Day on the Hill planning. Doing a panel discussion at MSUM with the child welfare scholar students next week. On 12/16 YLC is doing another panel discussion with Becker County Children's Justice Initiative to talk about their experience in the justice system as a youth in foster care.

Access- continue taking new referrals

Mobile Mental Health – filled crisis cms position so now have 2 practitioners, filled the full-time practitioner position in Fergus Falls, looking to fill a practitioner role in Clay County as Hannah is transitioning to a case management role.

Solutions – Michelle Lovehaug is retiring this month, they have refilled her outpatient supervisor position, Michelle will continue doing PCIT work in the community, they continue working on hiring case managers and mental health practitioners for adult services (ARMHS).

Next meeting: February 6, 2024, 8:30am at Clay County Social Services Room 4.

**** We will not meet in January ****

Agenda items:

- Who Do You Call brochure? – updates
- Website – update/add mental health resources or active agencies? QR code?
- Update on taskforce for purchasing marketing materials
- Community survey
- Adding a survey for youth?

Meeting called to order: 8:33am

Meeting adjourned at: 9:38 am

Minutes submitted by Joni Medenwald

Link to MN LAC Guidebook:

https://mn.gov/dhs/assets/lac-guidebook_tcm1053-386047.pdf