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Thurston-Mason Behavioral Health Organization Agenda Setting Minutes for July 14th, 2017

Thurston County Courthouse, 2000 Lakeridge Drive SW, Bldg 1, Room 280, Olympia

In Attendance:

Commissioner Bud Blake, Chair; Commissioner Terri Drexler, Vice-Chair; John Hutchings, Commissioner; Mark Freedman, TMBHO CEO; Joe Avalos, COO; Sherri Nehl, Human Resources Manager; Tara Smith, CFO; Tina Gehrig and Molly McIver, Clerk of the Board

Preview of the Agenda

- The Trueblood Jail Diversion Grant needs to be added to the agenda

Consent Items Reviewed

- 4a- Jet Computer Support Amendment
- 4b- The Olympia Free Clinic Amendment
- 4c- Housing Authority of Thurston County Amendment
- 4d- Obermeyer Consultants, LLC
- 4f- Behavioral Health Resources New Journeys Contract
- 4g- Approval of Interlocal Agreement Amendment with Thurston County for Treatment Sales Tax Funding: This is an amendment with Thurston County for Treatment Sales Tax funding reflecting the addition of \$75,000 for an Inmate Housing Case Management Program and a one-time reallocation of \$90,722 from Youth Outpatient Treatment to the existing Housing Case Management program. This item will be moved to Action item since it is an Interlocal Agreement

Action Items Reviewed


- **5a- Mental Health Block Grant:** This grant provides support to programs that cannot be funded through Federal Medicaid or State only funding. Services include: National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) and Capital Recovery Center.
- **5b- Substance Abuse Block Grant Amendment:** This grant is a separate grant from the Mental Health Block Grant that covers some items the Mental Health Block Grant will not. Staff explained it is a combined application, however it is funded separately. This covers substance abuse treatment services that Medicaid does not cover, such as residential room and board.
- **5c- Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan:** PIHP Amendment 3, with the Department of Social and Health Services. This provides funding for community mental health services to Medicaid Enrollees. This would extend the current contract for an additional 3 months.
- **5d- Behavioral Health State Contract Amendment:** Request for approval of Amendment #5 to the Behavioral Health State Contract (BHSC) with the Department of Health Services (DSHS). The BHSC provides funding to non-Medicaid eligible consumers for behavioral health crisis services.
- **5e- Adopting the Thurston-Mason BHO Employee Handbook:** Sherri is working on the final draft. Will have available to review at July 20th meeting.

flowchart of issues to be addressed. Step 2, and a separation agreement will address final payments and closure for 2017. There will be an ongoing agreement for needs after 2018.

- **Position descriptions**-Management title options were given and staff expressed they are open to suggestions. A market analysis was done that looked at similar organizations and their numbers for comparison. Staff's goal is to get within 50% of comparables. A merit system will be used for future pay increases.
- **Transition process** – BOCC has approved a layoff process to take steps of moving to TMBHO. At Monday's BHO staff meeting, the County intends to hand out layoff notifications. The job offer process will happen July 21st, with each employee having an individual meeting. Employees will need to make selections for benefits with TMBHO by Aug. 1.
- **Closed session** - 10:54 back in session 11:10
- **Trueblood Grant**- Staff would like to apply for a grant for diversion service funding that is coming from the State. The Board approved staff to move forward with the grant submission.
- **Meeting dates**- Due to the holiday, November 10th Agenda Setting will be moved to November 9th 1pm.

I certify this is a true and correct copy of the original document maintained in the Office of the Thurston-Mason Behavioral Health Organization.

ATTEST:


Molly McIver, Clerk of the Board

Date: 8-3-17