

Mill Levy Advisory Council, BCHS

Monday, January 22nd, 2024

5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

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Advisory Council Members in Attendance: Annette Treufeldt-Frank, Jolie Bernstein, Miranda Fisher, Robert Enderson

Absent: Teresa Greene, Tim Maxwell, Deana Cairo, Niccole Mascarenass

Boulder County Employees: Rebecca Seiden, IDD Mill Levy Program, Sara Boylan, PCS

Meeting

Meeting was held through Microsoft Teams and in person at 13482 Broadway St. Baltic Conference Room No Public Comments were scheduled.

Approval of Minutes

There was not a quorum for this meeting. November minutes will be passed to February meeting.

Reminder: Minutes are in Teams Files.

Funding of Imagine! Capital Improvement Plan

Commissioner Stolzmann explained that funding streams are being used up. The decision by the Commissioners to take this funding out of the IDD Mill Levy was made to access more funding for other requests in Boulder County. Specifically, this freed up money within the Worthy Cause funds to be able to fund other projects. Council member expressed concern about how the decision was made and if in the future this kind of funding change could happen again. Council members also expressed that they were confused as they felt as if they were not

consulted. Council members want to make sure there is transparency in funding decisions. Commissioner Stolzmann answered all the questions.

Imagine! Update

Kathryn Arbour submitted by email.

Case Management Redesign (CMRD)

With only a little over five months remaining for completion of CMRD, Imagine!'s focus is squarely on implementation of this major initiative. As is clear, Imagine! is in the third transition phase of this implementation, which officially kicks off in March and involves highly structured time with HCPF to ensure the detailed implementation fulfills all the requirements outlined for the newly emerging case management agencies (CMA). CMAs in the first transition have already completed their initial work and are now functioning fully as the newly selected CMA for their service areas. Those in the second transition are close to completing their transitions and will go live in March. There are a number of learnings that HCPF and our colleagues in those CMAs are sharing in the hopes of facilitating our transition.

Case Management Specifics

Our work is on track to implement the new CMA serving Service Area 8 (Boulder, Broomfield, Gilpin counties). We have several key areas of focus now that we are in Q3 of our fiscal year:

- Completing the compensation model – we have designed a new approach for the case management teams as we combine that will focus more on performance/value added, skills, and market realities.
- Team building – we have had several gatherings of the combined case management teams and will plan for a couple more before full implementation; excitement is building as is recognition of each other as they spend more time together; ACMI has moved officially into our Imagine! building located at 1400 Dixon Ave which is slated to be the headquarters for the newly forming CMA.
- A combined leadership team has been working on developing policies and doing the groundwork of preparation for the intensive work with HCPF about to begin in March – includes reviewing data in the State system, identifying and making corrections, and tracking service area

assignments and requests to leave/stay current/future service areas.

Planning additional public Town Hall meetings as part of overall communications plan to help clients and community members stay on top of all the changes underway – we have already held three public forums and have two more planned in February for the 27th (in person at the Imagine! Coal Creek location) and another on the 29th to be held on Zoom. We will have details on our website and on all social media sites. We are also sending out email and snail mail communications to clients on a regular basis.

- We have a special page on our website entitled Imagine! the Future which outlines all relevant information regarding CMRD. We update frequently, post FAQs and links to HCPF and other informational sites and offer videos and timelines of the work underway. Please view this page at <https://imaginecolorado.org/imagine-the-future>.
- A joint CMA subcommittee comprised of Board members from both ACMI and Imagine! have been meeting for over a year, serving as advisors to me and Barb Wilkins-Crowder, Executive Director of ACMI. They are mapping plans for the transition of governance as the newly forming CMA moves towards implementation. For example, new Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws have been drafted to represent the new CMA (which is soon to have a new name that will be formalized once the legal transition has occurred).

PASA

The Board of Directors launched a search for the CEO of the PASA who will take the reins July 1 when Imagine! becomes the standalone PASA and the transition of case management is complete.

Other transition tasks also underway include a review of Articles and Bylaws for slight changes to reflect the new status of Imagine! as a PASA only going forward after July.

The Present

We stay focused on day-to-day operations while building this future state.

Our transition to the Professional Employer Organization, TriNet, is in its second month and while there are still plenty of hiccups to work through, we are slowly moving ahead. Making the change now pre- CMRD implementation ensures that all the kinks will be worked out before each separate agency moves forward with its own HR plan utilizing the PEO as the anchor solution.

We are still exploring options for organizing other support functions, such as IT and financial services support, currently delivered through our single Business Office.

Budget Update

Rebecca Seiden updated the Budget since presented in November of 2023. Included is the funding for the Capital Improvement Plan approved by the Commissioners.

IDDAC Vision/Mission Statement

The Council had started working on a mission and vision statement in 2022 but did not complete. Council Members worked on the wording and came up with the following. This has not been voted on.

Mission

Our mission is to empower individuals living with Intellectual and Developmental Disability, Brain Injury, and Autism and their support networks residing in Boulder County by fostering inclusivity and promoting a compassionate community that recognizes and celebrates the uniqueness of every person as a valued citizen and neighbor.

Vision

Our vision is to champion equitable access for individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Brain Injury, and/or Autism to have a diverse array of choices that align with their aspirations. We are dedicated to facilitating and supporting opportunities for housing, employment, health, wellness, and community inclusion, fostering an environment where everyone can pursue their goals.

Purpose

The Intellectual and Developmental Disability Advisory Council makes informed recommendations to the Boulder County Commissioners that generate impactful investments into innovative strategies that seek to achieve our mission and vision.

Housing Mission Statement

Housing continues to be a priority for the IDD Advisory Council. Council Members worked on the wording for a Housing Mission statement. The following is what was produced. This has not been voted on.

Our Housing mission is to ensure individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Brain Injury, and/or Autism are included in their communities as valued neighbors and citizens through access to safe, affordable, and customized housing solutions. We are committed to a continuum that ranges from emergency housing to homeownership which fosters independence and encourages self-directed housing choices.

Sub-Committees and Goals

Discussion continued about what sub-committees and goals we would like to work on. Housing Committee will continue with Annette being lead. Miranda Fisher will lead the Community Education and Awareness and work on the web site update. Mental Health will continue and will look to other Council Members for the lead. It was decided that each sub-committee would have a lead from the Council. Council Members can join as many committees as they want. Days and times will be decided by each committee and Rebecca will set up in Teams and announce publicly.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by Rebecca Seiden