



Substance Abuse Connect Executive Committee

February 7th, 2022
7:30 – 9:00 a.m.
Big Sky Economic Development
Zoot Training Center, 2nd Floor
201 N. Broadway
Billings, MT. 59101

- I. Call the meeting to order
 - a. Introductions
 - b. Executive Committee Members
- II. Financials:
 - a. Review of financials
 - i. Presentation of current financials
 1. Contract with local bookkeeper for transition.
 - ii. Potential structure for 501c3
 1. City/County/Partner fiscal support
- III. Old Business
 - a. Mobile Crisis Unit
 - i. State of Montana Grant Process
 - ii. Capacity being evaluated
 - b. 501c status
 - i. Committee to meet and complete this process in Q1 of 2023
 - ii. Minutes reflect John Felton, Lenette Kosovich, and Karen Sylvester to support
 - iii. Review By-Laws – approval by February 17th. **Action**: Motion to approve final draft via electronic communication.
 1. New Structure introduction
 2. Executive Committee becomes Advisory Board
 - a. Duties – direction based on needs in the community
 - b. Oversight of efforts of Action Plan
 - c. Nomination of potential governance board members
 3. Governance Board of Directors
 - a. Seven-member board
 - b. Duties – governance of 501c3
 - c. Crisis Diversion Grant
 - i. Submitted 12/06/2022 by Stonerock Consulting
 - ii. See summary and timeline
 - d. Areas of Attention
 - i. Community Crisis Center
 1. Financial situation is being reported as dire
 - a. Potential funding is running out by March 2023
 - b. Currently they do not have a treasurer on their board of directors
 - ii. Capital Campaigns
 1. Rimrock Foundation Campus
 2. Montana Rescue Mission Campus



New Business

- I. Assessment of 2020-2023 Action Plan
 - a. Yellowstone County has increased connection, funding, and program capacity to move the needle on drug-related crime and addiction
 - b. Substance Abuse Connect leaders have access to integrated data across multiple sectors for budgeting and program decisions
 - c. Yellowstone County citizens and professionals have clear access to resource information and referral pathways
 - d. Increased treatment resources, including case management, is diverting people from drug-related crime and recidivism.
 - e. Increased access to effective substance abuse prevention services results in fewer youth initiating alcohol, nicotine, or other drugs early; and decreasing progression to meth initiation.
- II. New Action Plan priorities
 - a. **Action** – to be determined by the Advisory Board
 - i. What are 18-24 month measures that we need to address collectively?
 - ii. February 9th we will be discussing items with the two pillar groups – Treatment and Diversion, Prevention
 1. They will review how to address these items and we will return to the Advisory board via email to provide direction on goals.

Announcements – Public
Adjourn the Meeting