

SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT AGENCY ADVISORY BOARD BIMONTHLY MEETING

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, December 14, 2022
9am to adjournment

Meeting held via TEAMS

1. Roll Call and Announcements

Members Present:

Morgan Callihan (for Tammie S.), Churchill Community Coalition
Tammie Shemenski, Churchill Community Coalition
Betti Magney (for Ester Quilici), Vitality Unlimited
Jamie Ross, PACT Coalition
Jasmine Cooper, Help of Southern Nevada
Anne-Elizabeth Northan, Join Together Norther Nevada
Leo Magrdichian, West Care
Mari Hutchinson, Step 2
Wendy Nelson, Frontier Community Coalition
Michelle Berry, Mark Disselkoen, Center for the Application of Substance Abuse
Technologies (CASAT)
David Robeck, Bridge Counseling
Lana Robards, New Frontier
Peter Ott, Bristlecone

Members Absent:

Jolene Dalluhn, Quest Counseling
Kay Velardo, Community Counseling Center of Southern Nevada
Gina Flores-O'Toole, Ridge House

SAPTA/State Staff Present:

Kendall Holcomb, Kim Garcia, Lawanda Jones, Janice Stenson, Antonia Capparelli,
Brandy Archuleta, Denys Williams, Heather Kuhn, J'Aime WebsterFrederick, Jennie
Bear, Jennifer Tongol, Katherine Smith, Shannon Bennett, Stacey Wittke, Yesenia
Fuentes, Stephanie Cook

2. Public Comment – Ms. Ross gives the reminder that action may not be taken on anything brought up in public comment until it has been agendaized. She requests that people in attendance who are not members of the board put their name and agency in the chat to be recorded for minutes.

This agenda item is closed with no public comment.

3. Approval of Minutes – Mr. Robeck suggests passing on approving the minutes as some people have not been able to read them yet.

Ms. Ross agrees

Mr. Trevino agrees, and adds that the minutes should be sent out to members three days before the meeting.

Ms. Ross asks if anyone disagrees with tabling the approval of the minutes. There is no disagreement. She asks that the agenda for the next meeting in February states that the minutes from this meeting, as well as the minutes from the October meeting, be approved. She requests that the minutes are sent to the members three days prior to the next meeting.

Ms. Ross moves to close this agenda item, but Mr. Robeck asks that the draft minutes be taken down from the web site because they may end up being changed.

Ms. Bennett says they are draft minutes that are posted right now, which she thinks is ok to have up. We will remove the Draft watermark once approved by the members.

Mr. Robeck says he hasn't been able to pull them up, and they are typically not posted in draft form, so he recommends not having them posted until reviewed and approved. He explains that people reading the draft minutes may make decisions based on the posted information, that could ultimately end up changing after review.

Ms. Ross asks if SAPTA staff can remove the draft minutes.

Ms. Bennett says it is very normal to post draft minutes. She says staff will consult with the DAG and make sure, but normally draft minutes are posted prior with the draft watermark and that is how they are posted here. So she believes they should be left up.

4. Bureau Overview of Funding

- a. Bureau overview of funding sources and recipients - Shannon Bennett, Health Bureau Chief and Stephanie Cook, Health Program Manager I

Ms. Bennett and Ms. Cook speak about the Bureau structure and how different programs are funded. Programs include Behavioral Health Planning, the Crisis Response System, Office of Suicide Prevention, Problem Gambling and SAPTA.

Ms. Bennett explains that the total annual funding for all programs was \$163,492,374, with \$107,084,064 in one-time funding due to COVID.

In addition to COVID funding, there was also supplemental funding from ARPA. Ms. Bennett also details different Grants that the bureau has applied for.

Ms. Cook explains the funding streams that come in through SAPTA and how they apply to administrative, operational and travel expenses, as well as other expenses from the State level. She goes on to explain the different categories within SAPTA and how they are funded.

Ms. Cook also details the impact and use of COVID and ARPA dollars.

Their presentation is available at this link:

There are some questions:

Ms. Ross says that HIV is normally in this funding area but is not included; is it in another area?

Ms. Bennett: HIV and the Ryan White programs are in a separate branch called "Community Services" under Deputy Administrator Julia Peak.

- b. SOR

Questions about budget/dollars (SOR II NCE and SOR III)

SOR will be going to both December and January IFC

December will focus on bringing in 100% of NCE Authority.

January will ask for two positions being funded out of SOR III, as well as to get 100% of the SOR III authority.

Currently, subrecipients are spending what they did not spend last year (SFY 2022/SOR II year II). We do not have enough authority right now to begin spending both awards.

Program only has approximately \$1 million to get from the end of November until the middle of December.

Regional Behavioral Health Coordinators and other subgrantees will be able to be reimbursed back to October 1, 2022 (via retro memo).

Fund for Resilient Nevada should only be used to pay for things that other federal funds can not cover.

c. SURG/ACORN:

November 2 joint committee between SURG and ACORN; primary focus on what we can do now to prevent overdoses.

Much has been done to increase our surveillance, but its not working totally.

None of the six ODs that happened in LV last week hit our surveillance because they were all identified as deaths when first responders arrived.

SURG makes recommendations for three different areas (prevention, treatment and recovery, and response that corresponds to subcommittees). Appropriate staff should attend subcommittee meetings and be able to report back to program. Staff attendance at subcommittee meetings will help to establish context re: SURG's recommendations.

SURG meets quarterly with monthly subcommittee meetings.

SURG has three subcommittees:

1. Treatment and Recovery – Stephanie C.
2. Prevention – Tracy and ?
3. Response – Jennifer Tongol and Abigail

There are five Legislators on the SURG

Some of the recommendations are for legislation.

They don't do any work on workforce; they may make recommendations.

Shannon: How does the Bureau tie into the SURG?

Stephanie: Staff should be assigned to listen to the meetings – specifics above. We can then make better use of the recommendation because there will be understanding. Secondly, be ready to incorporate recommendations in funding that we oversee.

Stephanie asked Tracy: Many questions about the coalitions. What are the coalitions doing about overdose education? What are the coalitions doing as it relates to teaching, training, education, etc.? Education and training about harm

reduction initiatives including distribution of FTS Naloxone? Training on Naloxone? What are the other activities that they do other than what we pay for?

Want Bureau staff to really understand what is going on in their respective subcommittees and be able to communicate that to other Bureau staff members/leadership and administration.

What is Kerns role, why are we paying for her out of SOR? Under AG Laxalt, we identified a need for a better connection on the law enforcement, CJ and BH mechanisms. We developed Terry Kerns position to do this. Includes ODmaps. She is the hand across the aisle between AG and DHHS. She briefs Dr. W every other week.

Jennifer Tongol will sit in on the briefings between Stephanie and Terry in the future.

Other community meetings were previously delegated out to other staff that would attend and provide updates, Stephanie lists two or three other committees that staff should be assigned to listen to.

Tracy will fill in who is assigned to provide the Bureau update on each of these meetings.

Southern Nevada Opioid Advisory Council (SNOAC): Stephanie forwarding the invitation to select team members.

Washoe County Opioid Advisory Committee

Opioid Coordinating Meetings: Stephanie says these are best to educate everyone. Sara and Heather will attend October meeting.

d. MTSS next year:

Tracy: we have dollars held back for 2023. Are there any changes from CASAT?
Stephanie: No changes, would like to review the budget in detail. Need to stop doing "lots of great things on a small scale" and more on contracting for services.

Prevention programming is going to be very directive and not duplicating. So that we don't spend SOR dollars on the same.

On the treatment side, we need to go better with opening the door to people who are not getting services right now.

The mapping is something that we do in the beginning of every grant.

Is the funding going to come out of the State share or CASAT share?

Sara: State. They will be shipped to CASAT.

Stephanie: Carahsoft invoice came through, we want to ensure that they are for the virtual dispensary, and other DPBH items that are purchased through Carahsoft.

Prior to Heather coming on, Kim Riggs was highly involved with CASAT and Stephanie recommends an equal level of engagement. It has benefits to make sure that we are aware of the good things that are happening as well as the things we need to work on.

Stephanie will provide a suggestion for a meeting cadence on what she wants to have covered.

5. Budget Key Points:

The budget attached to the chat during yesterday's call is a working copy and a final copy will be sent out to everyone once finalized and sent to SAMHSA for approval as a budget mod.

The reason for the modification:

We were awarded more than the original budget was created for (approx. \$4,000)

Creating subawards it was determined some identified funds are not going to be able to be spent this year.

FEI, WITs (data collection) was determined after speaking with Robert Wilkes that funds were significantly overestimated to this service, so after realigning those dollars it opened additional funds that could be put to direct services. Looking to support MTSS.

Heather has reached out to Dawn Yohey regarding funding MTSS during the 2022-2023 budget period.

We have received approval from our ASO that we are on the Dec IFC agenda to bring in the authority from the SOR II Year I carry over dollars in the amount of \$10,564,786.

Currently prepping documents for the January IFC meeting due to ASO on 10/24 to bring in the authority from SOR III Year I NOGA (Currently requesting \$12,542,565.75; 75% of the total award).

Will attend the July IFC meeting to bring the remaining authority \$4,180,855.25 (25%)

Ms. Michelle Berry elaborates on SOR III funding and where it will be distributed to and to what goal. She also discusses that the focus is on MUD and stimulant use disorder.

Ms. Kuhn and Ms. Berry's presentation can be accessed here:

6. Standing Informational Items
 - a. Co-Chairs report – Jamie Ross and Jolene Dalhun
 - b. No report for this meeting, they will have one for the next meeting in February.
7. Future Agenda Ideas
 - a. Update from Regional Behavioral Health Policy Coordinators on their BDR Concepts from all regions.
 - b. Update from advisory board for Problem Gambling
 - c. SOR Breakdown
 - d. Opioid Settlement Funds
 - e. Match Maintenance of Effort
 - f. CCBHC – who they're funded
 - g. Housing and residential update
8. Next meeting date and time – Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 9am.
9. Public Comment – Appreciation for SAPTA report.