

Bay Human Services Collaborative Council  
General Committee Minutes  
September 23, 2020

Present:

Beth Eurich, Department of Aging, HSCC Chairperson  
Leslie Eschenbacher, CAN Council, Great Lakes Bay Region, Vice-Chairperson  
Gail Frahm, Disability Services Resource Center  
Carrie Prosowski, MRS  
Melissa Gary, Great Lakes Physicians Organization  
Kathleen Sperling, MDHHS  
Rich VanTol, BAISD, Bay Arenac Great Start Collaborative  
Terri Robbins, Disability Network  
Marybeth Laisure, United Way of Bay County  
Barry Schmidt, Bay County Prevention Newtownork

Tracy Metcalfe, Bay County Health Department/HSCC Coordinator

Recorder: Annette Maziarz, Bay Arenac Behavioral Health

- I. **Call to Order – Beth Eurich, Chairperson:** Beth called the meeting to order at 8:30 am. Introductions were made.
- II. **Review of and additions to the Agenda:** Barry Schmidt made a motion to approve the agenda as written with the addition of a Vice-Chairperson. All were in favor.
- III. **Nomination of Vice-Chair:** Tracy will send out a request for nominations for Vice-Chair.
- IV. **Approval of July Minutes (attached):** Gail Frahm made a motion to approve the July22 meeting notes as written with the change of Jordan gave an update on Bay County Prevention (item #XI). Carrie Prosowski seconded the motion. All were in favor.  
**Draft of August Steering Committee Meeting:** Deferred.
- V. **COVID-19 Response Updates**
  - **Health Department COVID-19 Update:** State has changed its classification as to how we see the virus (now classified by grade level. Joel gave an update on the classification on surrounding counties in the state. A request has been submitted to the state for pop-up testing to be done at Delta College starting next week (about 250 individuals per day would be tested). If approved, the National Guard would be the ones doing this testing. Joel gave an update on the surrounding counties on positive test rates.
  - **United Way/ COVID-19 Community Response Team:** Bay and Saginaw Counties are hosting a PPE School Supply drive. Items being requested are disinfectant sprays, wipes, hand sanitizer, headphones, extension cords, power supplies, brain break supplies, plastic storage containers and other general school supplies. The Bay ISD and Untied Way are supply drop off sites. The CRT is continuing to assist with expanding learning pods.

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- **Department of Health and Human Services Update:** DHHS has about 1,000 reusable cloth masks available for families that need them. DHHS could potentially open its lobby in October. Child welfare staff are back in the field. There has also been a large increase in the number of applications for assistance.
  - **Department on Aging Update: ??**
  - **Bay ISD – Return to Learn:** Bay City will be going back to in person school at the end of October. Essexville K-5 is going back to in person on October 5<sup>th</sup>.
- VI. Community Foundation Census 2020 Update:** The goal is an 86% or higher completion rate. The City of Bay City seems to have the lowest completion rate in the county. There is a movement to extend the Census completion date to October 30<sup>th</sup>.
- VII. Trauma Informed Communities Update:** Met for the first time at the beginning of September. Mainly checked in with the team and discussed plans for moving forward. Will continue focusing on reading and literacy. Specifically focusing on the Talking is Teaching program.
- VIII. November General Member Committee Meeting:**
- Scheduled for November 18<sup>th</sup> – Same day as MI ACE’s Virtual Conference. SC decided to keep the meeting on this date.
- IX. HSCC Taskforce/Subcommittee/Affiliated Group Reports:**
- July, January – Adult Service Collaborative, Bay County Prevention Network
  - **September, March** – Bay County Community Service Partners N/A, **Suicide Prevention Coalition** – There is an ASSIST Training in Frankenmuth coming up and they are trying to arrange to have on in Bay City, **2-1-1 Board Update** – Most of the referrals have been met. Still getting requests for clothing, personal and household needs. 13.3% of the 332 calls were COVID related.
  - November, May – Great Start Collaborative, Bay County Youth and Family Connect, Domestic Violence Community Response Team
- X. BACF Grant Applications:**
- 1<sup>st</sup> Grant Cycle:** Opens 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday in January (1/13/20) with deadline of 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday in March (3/9/20) (HSCC Reviews in March – Grant recommendations are approved by BACF Board of Trustees in mid-May)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grant Cycle:** Opens 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday in July (7/13/20) with deadline date of 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in September (9/21/20) (HSCC reviews in October – Grant recommendations are approved by BACF Board of Trustees in mid-November)

**There are a couple of grants still available.**

- There is an educator mini grant for innovative classroom supplies that enhance teaching.

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- Hemlock Semiconductor Community and Regional Empowerment (CARE) Grant Program for up to \$20,000.

Catchafire – Matches skilled professional volunteers with nonprofits to help them increase their capacity and achieve their missions. There is room for one more nonprofit organization to participate

**XI. Agency Updates:**

- Members provided agency updates. All updates submitted to Tracy as a flyer or document can be found at [www.bahscc.org](http://www.bahscc.org)

**XII. Next Meeting:** The next Full Committee meeting will be held on November 18, 2020 from 8:30 – 10:00 am via conference call (virtual) – <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/81389493>.

The next Steering Committee meeting will be held on October 28, 2020 via conference call (virtual) – <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/81389493>.

With no further business to come before the General Committee the meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Annette Maziarz, Recorder, Bay Arenac Behavioral Health