

Bay Human Services Collaborative Council
Steering Committee
October 28, 2020

Present:

Beth Eurich, Department on Aging, Chairperson
Leslie Eschenbacher, CAN Council, HSCC Vice-Chairperson
Katie Sperling, MI Dept. of Health and Human Services of Bay County
Laura Love, McLaren Bay Region
Carrie Prosowski, MRS
Joel Strasz, Bay County Health Department
Gretchen Wagner, BAISD
Diane Fong, Bay Area Community Foundation
Marybeth Laisure, United Way of Bay County

Staff: Tracy Metcalfe, Bay County Health Department, HSCC Coordinator

Recorder: Annette Maziarz, Bay Arenac Behavioral Health

- I. **Call to Order – Beth Eurich, Chairperson:** The meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM by Beth Eurich. Gretchen Wagner made a motion to approve the agenda as written apart from changing the month/date to October 28. Marybeth Laisure seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- II. **Approval of August Steering Committee Minutes (attached):** Marybeth Laisure made a motion to approve the August 26 meeting notes. Gretchen Wagner seconded the motion. All were in favor.
September HSCC General Member Meeting Minutes: For review - attached
- III. **Bay County Health Department COVID-19 Update:** COVID cases continue to increase on a daily basis. There are a couple new schools that are now closed due to students/staff being quarantined in the last 10 days. The state is at about at a 5.7% positive COVID cases with the region being a little over 5 %. Currently the risk determination for the county is a low 'C'. However, the Private Site reads, as of yesterday, the county risk determination is at a 'D' ('E' basically means that you should really think about kids attending schools remotely again). In the last 5 days, there have been a little over 1000 individuals in quarantine. In the last day, there are no kids that are being tested positive. Reminder that we have to keep reminding people to being honest when they are doing their COVID testing. If you know someone that has been tested positive and are not quarantining themselves notify the Health Department right away. An individual can have the flue and contract COVID at the same time.
- IV. **Return to Learn Updates:**
United Way: A grant is currently being written to help those parents who need to stay home with their children having to be quarantined to help pay their bills (concentrating on Pre-K through 6th grade – will look on a case to case basis with exceptions made). Hoping to have this launched mid-November at the latest. Reminder – if you know of anyone that needs money that has been affected by COVID sent them to the United Way (funds that have been specifically put aside).

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Schools: More school closures coming due to COVID. Preparing for virtual education again.

- V. Community Response Update:** Concentrating on Return to Learn. If an individual is self-employed or contractual will be looking at 1099 or tax returns (everyone will be getting this) because they may be affected with COVID from a child. A drive has been set up to collect school supplies to get out to the schools including children masks. A plan is in place to go to the high rises to give those folks the flu vaccine. Joel will forward the data from COVID to Tracy to send out to the group.
- VI. Census 2020 update:** Bay County is at 78.5 % (higher than 2010) – goal was at 80%. State at 71.3% and national at 67%. Bay County was the 3rd best county for counts, 50th nationally and 10th for the state.
- VII. Trauma Informed Communities/MiHIA ACE’s Resiliency Workgroup Update:** Planning a virtual Michigan ACE’s Community Champion for January 13 and 14. This will be a 2-day virtual training. Trauma Informed Communities group meeting will be cancelled in November.
- VIII. Planning for 2021:** Beth nominated Laura Love for vice-chair and she did accept this position. Steering Committee has accepted this nomination. It will be added to the full General Meeting for final approval. The 2021 schedule will be revised from the 5th of December to the 15th. Tracy will send out prior to the General Meeting. Tracy will be putting together the mailings for the dues to send them out.
- IX. Roundtable Updates – Please keep updates to programs/services/community events**
- Members provided agency updates. All updates submitted to Tracy as a flyer or document can be found at www.bahscc.org

Upcoming Events:

With no further business to come before the Steering Committee the meeting adjourned at 10:30 AM.

The next regular HSCC meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at the Bay County Department of Health and Human Services, 1399 W. Center Rd., Essexville. The next Steering Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 9, 2020.

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