

MINUTES: 7/14/22 SPC LUNCH

12-1PM

St. Andrew's Church, lower level

Chair: Melinda Bobo

Present:

Melinda Bobo, Chair

Aaron Preece, Vice-Chair

Sarah Murdock, Secretary

Andrew Zook, candidate

Robin Carnes, Nurse, Sublette County Public Health

Sgt. Travis Bingham, Sublette County Sheriff's office PIO

Peggy Weber, community member

Darren Hull, Business and Event planner

Albert Sommers, State Representative, District 20

Bill Winney. Candidate, State House District 20; Veterans Legal Aid organization

Clayton Melinkovich, Deputy County Attorney, Candidate

Lynn Bernard, Candidate

Dave Dailey, Candidate

Robin Schamber, Candidate

Joanie Christie, Public Health

Janna Lee, Public Health

Sarah Hixson, Clinic Director, High Country Behavioral Health

Grace Grove, Sublette Bridges

Victoria Hermanson, community member

Trisha Scott, Coalition Coordinator

Notes:

Melinda opened the meeting at 12:05.

Motion to approve June 9 minutes made by Robin Carnes, seconded by Aaron Preece.

Vote to approve 6/9 minutes: Yes: unanimous, No: 0.

Motion made to retain Melinda Bobo and Aaron Preece as Coalition Chair and Vice-Chair made by Janna Lee, seconded by Robin Carnes.

Vote to retain Melinda Bobo and Aaron Preece as Chair and Vice-Chair: Yes: Unanimous, No: 0.

Motion to nominate Joanie Christie for Secretary made by Robin Carnes, seconded by Melinda Bobo.

Vote to approve Joanie Christie as coalition secretary: Yes: Unanimous, No: 0.

Welcome to candidates for House District 20, county commissioners, and precinct leadership.

Members and guests reviewed the Grant Report presented to the commissioners on June 21.

Aaron Preece reported on September Suicide Prevention Awareness Month activities scheduled for 9/7 and 9/14. Rather than a candlelight walk this year the event will be in local parks and

focus on gathering to share stories, resources for support, training opportunities, and music with Jared Rogerson. Aaron and Melinda gave a brief history of the mental health fund to guests, with current reports. Aaron reported that the Boulder Roll Poker Run raised \$30,000. on June 11 for youth and family counseling. Melinda reported that the Episcopal Church grants continue to be used to sponsor adult services.

Melinda explained that CPG grant funds can be used to provide education and information to the community so that individuals can give accurate information to law and policy makers. Grant funds can also be used to provide evidence-based programming such as QPR, ASIST, Mental Health First Aid, TIPS, and Dimensions Quit Tobacco classes.

Current issues that we are following: Darren Hull reported on sharing his concerns with the Governor this morning about children's health in an age of unregulated and legal THC gummies. Sarah Murdock reported Kratom and Delta8 products sold in gas stations and available to minors are unregulated in Wyoming and this is of concern, as calls to the poison control centers in Colorado have skyrocketed with high potency THC edibles being consumed unintentionally by children.

Community reports: Angela Thatcher from Enroll Wyoming will be in Pinedale Friday July 22 and Tuesday July 26. Angela will be meeting with Bridges out of Poverty Staying Ahead class and organizations whose clients will benefit from Enroll Wyoming. People who meet criteria of incomes at 100-150% of the poverty line can enroll now. Enroll Wyo is totally confidential and does not keep any client information except phone numbers. Contact Angela at 307-352-9109. angela@enrollwyo.org

Note: Affordable health care is a protective factor against suicide and substance abuse.

Next scheduled meetings:

July 25: Alcohol, Tobacco, Other Drugs (ATODS), 12 - 1 PM

August 1: Suicide Prevention Task Force, 12 - 1 PM

August 11: SPC lunch. 12 - 1 PM