

REGION II
Behavioral Health Board

MONTHLY MEETING AGENDA

September 11, 2025-- 1:30 PM

Lewiston Health & Welfare Building 2nd Floor Conference Room for those choosing in-person attendance

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1. Roll Call, Welcome, and Introductions—Catherine Purdy—BHB Admin/fiscal agent

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| x | Shaun Hogan | | Theresa Graber-Gimmeson | x | Shannon Jones | | Jenny Teigen |
| | Sara Bennett | | Jason Stooks | x | Pam Lopardo | x | Bryan Gimmeson |
| | Megan Comstock | x | Sharlene Johnson | x | Norm Embry | | Ex-Officio |
| x | Beverly Fowler | x | Kat Troutman | x | Christine Erbst | x | <i>Astahna Adkins Holt</i> |
| | Vince Frazier | x | Shari Kuther | x | Michelle Mendenhall | | <i>April Christenson</i> |
| x | Amber Hoodman | x | Tom Lamar | | Malcom Lyons | | Gus Hoene |
| | Shane Anderson | | Kally McFee | x | Jim Rehder | | <i>Rep. Lori McCannx</i> |

Guests: Catherine Purdy, Cheryl Foster, Alexis Luper, Amy Topp, Amanda Holcomb, Kaylie Bednarczyk, Sean Waldron, Rochelle Bettis, Tammy Everson, Theresa Gimmeson, Joyce Lyons.

1. Approval of August & September BHB Minutes (**Action Item**): Amber motions to approve August and September BHB Minutes. Sharlene seconds the motion. No discussion. Motion passes.
2. Financial report—Sean: Waiting for approval on the application for vandal recovery.
 - a. Wanted to inform the board that we met with Norma Jaeger, and she informed the group that ICADD had a significant drop in participation. They are looking to partner with the boards to keep the ICADD conference going. They will be submitting an application to the board asking for \$2000, with that funding they will provide 4-5 scholarships for each of the regions. I suggest putting on agenda as a future action item.
 - b. The Planning Council is meeting Thursday, Oct 23rd. There is a time slot from 12:15 to 1:15 for each of the chairs to present on their gaps and needs.
Jim can't make it, if anyone can attend, please reach out to Jim.
3. Activity Fund application decision to fund--(**Action Item**): Sharlene motions to approve. Shari seconds the motion. No discussion. Motion passes.
4. Two Activity Funding request months to receive, consider and approve applications--(**Action Item**):
Amber: can we keep it with February and September?
Shari: that would be best so we can get everyone in a cadence.
Amber motions to approve. Shaun seconds the motion. No further discussion. Motion passes.
5. Idaho Behavioral Health Council report—Cheryl Foster IBHC Project manager: *Cheryl presents on Idaho Behavioral Health Council Strategic Plan*. Have been working on implementing 11 recommendations based on action items that the council identified.
Cheryl shared working document that shows how we are going about implementing those 11 recommendations.

6. Rural Crisis Center Network and Youth Crisis Center update—Joyce Lyons: In Lewiston we had to make some changes to our facilities as a result of Magellan taking over, so we are having an open house on October 17th. Sara and her team purchased a building next door and is housing crisis services. Youth Crisis Center is not currently moving forward because Megan left. Cindy Carlson is interested in the Youth Crisis Center, so I sent her some information. What we are down to is funding, and because of the state of everything we can't rely on the state to provide funding.
7. BH Needs and Gaps submission report—Sara (unable to attend) – Sean: this was due on the 30th of September, and has to be turned in on Tuesday.
Jim will connect with Sara to get that turned in.
8. Draft of 2024 BHB Legislative priorities—Tom/Chris/Jim – Jim read through list of priorities listed. We will discuss this next month on what we can delete and add and have it ready for the legislators.
9. Reminder of Board member expiring terms with application deadline Oct 27-Board – Megan, Chrstine, Shari, Shaun, Malcom, Amber and Sharlene will need to renew their memberships. Fill out your application and in November we will do the appointments of anyone who wants to renew their memberships.
10. Recovery Community Center Latah/Nez Perce/Lewis Counties—Shaun/Astahna/Amber –
Shaun: appreciate the funding of Vandal Recovery. We have a couple other groups going on.
Astahna – Hands Across the Bridge event went well. We received a reentry grant. We are moving locations, now located at 1448 G Street.
Amber – we had our recover month dinner.
11. BHB Subcommittee Members, Reports and Board Discussion
--CMH – No rep
--ABH – Pam: we met last week, and the general consensus is that transportation is a worsening issue, Syringa has been having issues with transport and so has Clearwater. That was the main discussion.
--Housing – Norm: The City of Lewiston issued grant for a reentry program, so we are going to have some funds for housing.
--Prevention/Recovery – Amber – nothing was discussed this month.
12. Public Input
13. Next BHB Meeting – November 13, 2025
14. Meeting Adjourn 2:19 pm

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