

Beaufort County Alcohol and Drug Abuse Department's Board Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2023

Present: Worth Liipfert, Holly Peterson, Javier Zimbron, Audra Antonacci–Ogden, Rebecca Whitt-Burgess, Carol Hartman (via phone)

Absent: Tom Hale, Blake White

The meeting was called to order at 5:11 pm by Chairman Liipfert

Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Liipfert

Meeting Minutes from February 7, 2023, motioned for approval by Javier and accepted unanimously.

Director's Report provided by Rebecca Whitt – Burgess

Positions filled update: MAT Coordinator, Detention Center Counselor, and Financial Coordinator

Amended plan to SCORF to remove the Peer Support Recovery Specialist for Beaufort Memorial Hospital Emergency Room

Rebecca provided an update on the department budget. Fiscal year 2024 approved for ask from BC general fund.

Rebecca provided an update on financials for DAODAS.

Existing Projects/New Projects: A Drug-Free Community Grant (DFC) was awarded to the department in the amount of \$123,667.00. An explanation of the grant was given to the board members.

An update of the CARF survey was provided – the next survey will take place in 2026.

An update was provided for the SC Opioid Settlement Funds – An explanation was provided for the NOFO (Silo 1 and 2 monies)

Narcan update - plan to place Narcan in County owned facilities.

Javier mentioned fentanyl strips – Rebecca explained the possibility of providing current BCADAD patients with fentanyl strips as they do with Narcan.

Update on the County Plan – approved and submitted.

National Recovery Month Proclamation from CC was presented to BCADAD.

All staff meeting/National Addiction Professional Appreciation Day was recognized for all BCADAD staff with lunch and a presentation provided by Millennium.

Prevention Update: The Prevention Team is working on Red Ribbon Week events.

Final year for Project Mariposa

Update on Prevention Enhancement Award

Clinical Update: Current patient numbers were provided, and staff is working on providing a new service

Rebecca is working on a new system for referrals/expanding the referral base.

Holly asked for a current fee schedule.

Rebecca will provide the board with the current fee schedule.

Provided update on IOP (virtual IOP currently in Bluffton) and must begin in-person IOP in March of 2024

Worth asked Rebecca to tell the Board about herself.

Worth mentioned at the next board meeting to discuss appointing a new Board Chairman – he wants to continue to be a board member but step down as chairman

Worth motioned for adjournment. Motion carried at 6:10 pm.

Meeting Adjourned