

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**San Miguel Behavioral Health Solutions**  
September 22, 2022 | 9:00 am – 11:00  
ZOOM ONLY

**Panel Members Present:** John Pandolfo, Carol Friedrich, Sharon Grundy, Andres Jacinto, Pam Stewart, Rob Whiting, Chuck Porth, Todd Bittner

**Panel Members Absent:** Paul Reich

Others present: Corinne Cavender; TCHNetwork, Lynn Borup; TCHNetwork, Andrea Syko; Interpreter, Brittany Picard; Telluride School District, Alex Jones; Telluride School District, Corinne Platt; Community Member, Jim Riley; Community Member

**Meeting called to order at 9:07am**

- 1. Welcome/Introductions**
- 2. Approve August 25, 2022 Meeting Minutes**
  - a. *1<sup>st</sup> Carol Friedrich*
  - b. *2<sup>nd</sup> Rob Whiting*
  - c. *All in Favor*
- 3. Public Comment**
  - a. Corinne Platt asked BHS to consider funding Licensed Professional Counselor Candidates (LPCC) to be eligible for reimbursement by the Behavioral Health Fund (BH Fund)
  - b. As it stands, LPCC supervisors are allowed to bill on behalf of the candidate they are supervising, but the candidate cannot bill on their own
  - c. Wanted to instigate a convo for LPCCs in community to be able to use that fund, a convo for LPCCs being able to use that fund
  - d. LPCCs are unable to bill insurance during the 2-4 years it takes to get the clinical hours required for licensure
    - Asking to be eligible for BH Fund reimbursement to be able to serve the needs of the community for a minimum of that time frame.
    - Alex Jones and Jim Riley present and in support of LPCCs qualifying for the BH Fund
      - Mentioned the need to find a way to incentives candidates to stay in the County. Right now, there are limited supervision opportunities as well as funding opportunities
- 4. 6 Month Report Presentation (10 minutes each for presentation, 5 minutes each for questions) (9:05-9:50)**
  - a. Telluride School District**
    - Alex Jones and Brittany Picard presented on behalf of the Telluride School District
      - Discussed where they are at with the hiring process of the positions outlined in the grant
      - Will have more reporting measures in the annual report
  - b. Uncompahgre Medical Center**
    - Chuck Porth presented on behalf of the Uncompahgre Medical Center
      - Discussed that a large portion of funds were targeted to offset requests of onboarding
      - Actively recruiting for an LCSW

- Behavioral Health services still provided
  - Medical department is picking up slack in interim while waiting to find an LCSW

**c. Tri-County Health Network**

- Lynn Borup presented on behalf of Tri-County Health Network
  - Elaborated on number of community members that participated in programs and classes and future plans to hit grant goals

**5. Budget**

- a. 2023 Budget Projection Discussion (Carol Friedrich)
- BHS went through budgeting process for fund allocation through San Miguel County
    - Put in placeholders for areas to dedicate funding

**Meeting adjourned 11:15am**

Panel Members:

John Pandolfo—Superintendent, Telluride R1 School District, Chair  
 Sharon Grundy— Telluride Medical Center, Vice Chair  
 Carol Friedrich – San Miguel/Ouray County Social Services Director, Secretary  
 Chuck Porth – Chief Executive Officer, Uncompahgre Medical Center  
 Paul Reich – Community Relations Liaison, Center for Mental Health  
 Pam Stewart– Community Member  
 Rob Whiting – Community Member  
 Andres Jacinto Alonzo – Community Member  
 Todd Bittner—Superintendent, Norwood Public Schools

2022 Meeting Schedule

October 27      November 17\*  
 December 15\*  
*\*3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday due to Holiday*

Attachments:

August 25, 2022 Meeting Minutes  
 Telluride School District 6 Month Report  
 TCHNetwork 6 Month Report  
 Budget

To be sent separately:

Uncompahgre Medical Center 6 Month Report