

Present	<p><b>Judy Sikes, Past President</b>  <b>Jan Williams, Board Member</b>  <b>Christine Hentze, Board Member</b>  <b>Derrick Blickenstaff, Board Member</b> (by phone)  <b>Matt Bernal, Board Member</b>  <b>Leon Harwood, Board Member</b>  <b>Wayne Hunter, Board Member</b>  Mike Atlas-Acuña, Executive Director  Mariah Schofield, Chief Financial Officer  Patricia Potter, Administrative Assistant</p>
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Absent	<p><b>Jane Garnett, Secretary</b>  <b>Renee Greenway, Vice President</b>  <b>Natalie Falbo, Treasurer</b>  <b>Beth Thatcher, Board Member</b>  <b>Cindy Mihelich, President</b>  <b>Maria Reyes, Board Member</b>  <b>Robert Pratt, Board Member</b>  <b>David Blickenstaff, Board Member</b></p>
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**Board Meeting was called to Order by** Jan Williams at 12:02 pm

Cindy and Beth gave their proxy to Judy Sikes. Renee and Natalie gave their proxy to Matt. Jane gave her proxy to Jan.

**Welcome –**

**Public Comment – None**

**Action Items**

- Meeting Minutes for October 7, 2020 Board Meeting

**Motion to Approve** October 7, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes

<b>Motion to approve October 7, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes</b>	
<i>Action by:</i>	Judy Sikes
<i>Seconded by:</i>	Leon Harwood
<i>Passed:</i>	Unanimously Approved

- Accept withdrawal letter from Barbara Hadley f

**Motion to Approve** accept withdrawal letter from Barbara Hadley

<b>Motion to Approve accept withdrawal letter from Barbara Hadley</b>	
<i>Action by:</i>	Leon Harwood
<i>Seconded by:</i>	Matt Bernal
<i>Passed:</i>	Unanimously Approved

## **Financials**

- Executive Director Expense Report

### **Motion to Approve** Executive Director Expense Report July/August 2020

<b>Motion to Approve Executive Director Expense Report July/August 2020</b>	
<i>Action by:</i>	Leon Harwood
<i>Seconded by:</i>	Wayne Hunter
<i>Passed:</i>	Unanimously Approved

Extension on July/August Financials

### **Motion to Approve** Extension on July/August Financials

<b>Motion to Approve Extension on July/August Financials</b>	
<i>Action by:</i>	Judy Sikes
<i>Seconded by:</i>	Leon Harwood
<i>Passed:</i>	Unanimously Approved

## **Executive Directors Report (5 Min)**

### **BASS:**

The number of persons returning to day program has not been increasing. We believe folks are still reluctant to come to a group setting even though we are following the State requirements. Our mobile crews and TRANE contracts are doing well. In fact, TRANE just renewed its contracts with BASS.

**Day Program billing Rates:** Alliance has had conversations with the Department, but are still in a holding pattern. The Dept will present a mechanism they have created that allows individuals to have one-on-one supports for Day Program as part of the 3-tiered system they have already presented to us. Tier 1 is lower than current rates for telehealth, tier 2 is basically business as usual, and tier 3 for being able to do one-on-one. You can mix 1 & 3, 1 & 2, but you cannot mix tiers 2 & 3. The issue is when the budget person did the math, they came up with a cap of about 2 hours on one-on-one for tier 1. Alliance suggested that instead of an hourly cap, it is a money cap. There was a large difference in how they were doing those numbers based on using median vs average or mean. The initial time they did the math, they used mean and it messed up the numbers resulting in lower rates. They have redone the math using the median and so there is more money for each tiered limit. Issue is that the only way the state can move forward is an all or nothing, and providers cannot choose whether to participate. With the money caps, because they are using averages, some people will have reductions in day program services if they are returned to a pre-COVID full utilization already. For the majority of people, this will give them additional hours but they will have to have everybody adopt this process and Alliance thinks there will be pushback on that. As of their last data pull, the DD Waiver is still being billed with no revisions but Alliance doesn't understand how that is possible. They are looking at pre-COVID numbers for FY 18-19, but their averages for the amount of Day Program services people utilize is still really low so that cap should be for all day services (spec hab and SCC). There should be more information on this forthcoming.

**Conflict Free Case Management:** Erica, Sandra, & I had a call with Bonnie Silva and Amanda Lofgren. Here are some are the main points from that meeting as summarized by Erica: 1) HCPF is going to update the language in rules 2) HCPF is going to get CFCM and Redesign on the same timeline to come into compliance with the rule, 3) The CCB's will know about the RFP CM requirements in 2022 and the RFP will be sent out in early 2022.

Catchment areas will be determined by January 2021 and then HCPF will determine the amount of people that need services in each catchment area to determine how many case management agencies might be needed. There is a possibility that there could be more than one CM agency in a catchment area. Each CM agency will have to provide services for all waivers. Funding will be streamlined, since we are funded differently than DSS.

**Legislative News:** The Alliance Legislative Committee will be working to prioritize all legislative priorities over the next couple of weeks. Issues include protecting provider rates, fighting for additional COVID relief, Subminimum Wage, Day Hab funding/billing, and the new Public Utilities-transportation issue. To learn more, you can visit the webpage at <https://www.alliancecolorado.org/government-relations-20-21>

**Alliance:** In relation to CM, Alliance was informed that the state will be running a case management redesign bill in 2021. Office of Community Living has asked for Alliance's partnership on working on this bill concept. Alliance President Matt VanAuken made a motion to allow Alliance staff and their consulting group to assist Alliance members in the participation of systems redesign/case management redesign work with state partners and to form a shock team to work on the issue. The motion was passed and the members of the group have been identified.

Based on Matt's recommendations we are working on a retreat. We found a facilitator for the retreat. We will be talking to her in 2 weeks. We will be making those arrangements. We want to have it in January. We want to hold the meeting in person with the Management Team and the Board. We want it to be safe. The retreat might be a couple of days. It will be in town. Mike has requested from the Management Team what other items we need to consider as part of the planning process. Patricia Potter has given her notice; therefore, I am looking for a new Administrative Assistant. Patricia has been a great asset to us. The Board Members expressed their sadness that Patricia is leaving. The Board Members thanked Patricia for her time with CBE. We are skipping the Blizzard Run this year due to COVID. It was a tough decision, but necessary. We hope we can hold the Blizzard Run in 2022.

### **Upcoming Events**

- BASS Fashion Show – Cancelled 2020
- Thanksgiving – Cancelled 2020
- December 16, 2020 – BASS Christmas Party
- February 2021 – TBD BASS Superbowl Party
- February 2021 – TBD BASS Valentine's Party
- March 2021 – TBD BASS St. Patrick's Day Party
- Blizzard Run 2021 Cancelled
- May 2021 – BASS Cinco De Mayo Party
- TBD – BASS Talent Show
- TBD – BASS End of Summer Picnic
- TBD September 2021 – Agency Day
- TBD October 2021 – BASS Halloween Party

**Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session at 12:12 pm**

<b>Motion</b> to adjourn to at 12:12 pm	
<i>Action by:</i>	Wayne Hunter
<i>Seconded by:</i>	Leon Harwood
<i>Passed:</i>	Unanimously Approved

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Patricia Potter, Administrative Assistant  
Recording Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mike Atlas-Acuña, Executive Director  
Colorado Bluesky Enterprises, Inc.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jane Garnett  
Board Secretary