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AGENDA

Blair County Social Services Advisory Board

Thursday, June 6, 2024 – 11:30 a.m.

Blair HealthChoices, 81 Holliday Hills Drive, Hollidaysburg

1. Welcome and Call to Order
2. Public Comment
3. Approval of February 1, 2024 Social Services Advisory Board Meeting Minutes *(attached)*
4. Approval of April 4, 2024 Social Services Advisory Board Meeting Minutes *(attached)*
5. Board Operations – Tricia Johnson
 - Board Officers as of February 1, 2024
 - Donna GORITY, Chair
 - Susanna Tomlinson, Vice Chair
 - Sue Franco, Secretary
 - By-Laws Update *(attached)*
6. Mental Health Committee Report *(attached)*
7. Developmental Programs Committee Report *(attached)*
8. County Reports
 - Director – Tricia Johnson
 - MH – Cindy James
 - ID – Melissa Gordon *(attached)*
 - EI – Kelly Popich *(attached)*
 - Human Services – Missy Gillin
9. Ex-Officio Reports
 - CONTACT Altoona – Erin Kay *(attached)*
 - NAMI – Aimee Burns *(attached)*
 - The Arc – Maria Brandt
 - ID Providers – Lorrie Hetager
 - Blair HealthChoices – Amy Marten-Shanafelt
10. Open Forum
 - ❖ *Next Advisory Board Meeting: Thursday, August 1, October 3, December 5, 2024 at 11:30 a.m. at Blair HealthChoices, 81 Holliday Hills Dr, Hollidaysburg*
 - ❖ *Next Mental Health Committee Meetings: Thursday, September 5, November 7, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. at Blair HealthChoices, 81 Holliday Hills Dr, Hollidaysburg*
 - ❖ *Next Developmental Programs Committee Meeting: Thursday, September 5, November 7, 2024 at 11:30 a.m. at SASMG, 157 Lakemont Park Blvd., Altoona*