

Behavioral Health Advisory Council Minutes March 8, 2019 Cheyenne, WY

<u>Members Present:</u> Amanda Bialas, Brenda Stout, Carol Day, Chassity Wiederspahn, Jessi Westling, Jo Ann Numoto, Kat Campbell, Laura Griffith, Lori Burns, Michaela Tschirhart, Paul Demple, Rob Johnston, Sam Borbely, Sharon Pucillo, Sue Wilson

<u>Members Excused:</u> Carolyn Yeaman, Cassie Crumpton, Scott Erickson, Sherry Mercer, Tammy Cooley, Wayne Graves

Members Unexcused: Cheri Kreitzmann, Christy Misplay, Jeff Wasserburger, Kellie Webb, Sunny Goggles, Trudy Brinkmeyer-Funk

<u>Division staff:</u>
Bethany Powell, Dani Sullivan, Dillion Johnson, Janet Jares, Marla Smith, Sheridan Roling

- ✓ Paul Demple called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.; welcomed the new members; and asked each person to introduce themselves & to state which population or group they served for on the Council.
- ✓ There were no additions to the agenda.
- ✓ The approval of the November 16, 2018 meeting was tabled until June meeting.
- ✓ Thoughts from the Chair: Paul provided the group an overview of his background as a provider and remarks about the most recent legislative session and his hopes for this Council. He discussed two bills, Senate File 56 (ADD INFO) and Senate File 22 (MH Parity). Article about the judge's ruling on MH parity. Paul stated that he thought the Council has an opportunity to look at things beyond the block grant application, to have more of a voice. He asked the group to think about if there was something important to the Council that may be pursued and how the Council could be more active on critical issues.