



July 18, 2023

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Hybrid Meeting

**COALITION MEMBERS:** Larry Calkins, Becca Ames, Chelsea Dodd, Bill Bowman, Jay Ulrich, Tina Buckley, Connie Wille, Heather Rich, Jake Coulombe, Jennifer Elliott, Jessica Geis-Archer, Kelly Wright, William Copppla, Jayme Smith, Emily Moore, Traci Ploufe, MJ Mattiaccio, Joyce Nebush, Nichole Langley

**AGENCIES PRESENT:** Seaway Valley Prevention Council, Champlain Valley Family Center, Citizens Advocates, St. Joseph's, Pivot, Prevention Team, Anchor Recovery Center, Prevention Network of CNY, North Country Freedom Homes, St. Lawrence County Addiction Services, St. Lawrence Health System, St. Lawrence ATC, SPAN

**1. Call to Order**

- Meeting called to order by Bill Bowman at 10:02 am.

**2. A motion was made by Kelly Wright, seconded by Tina Buckley, to approve the May 2023 minutes. Motion carried**

**3. Treasures Report**

- *Treasure Updates: \$10,612.34*
- *Larry has not made it to the bank yet to add Bill to the account and remove Margaret. He also states he purchased deposit slips, checks, and a stamp to endorse the Coalition account.*
- *A motion was made by Connie Wille and seconded by Tina Buckley to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried*

**4. Action Items:**

- *Larry Calkins reviews the Transportation grant he sent out for the region. He will try to set up a meeting scheduled regarding it.*

**5. Old Business:**

- *1115 Waiver update*
  - *Bill Bowman has heard that it will be adopted, working it out, and states it is looking more like DSRIP 2.0*
  - *Bill Bowman says it sounds like the Social Determinants of Health is going away and possibly being replaced*

**6. New Business:**

- *Updated CASAC and CPP testing domains*
  - *Bill Bowman states he does not believe the test has changed*
- *Future of the CASAC credential*
  - *Bill Bowman would like thoughts on the diminishing of the CASAC.*
  - *Jake Coulombe feels like the CASAC is becoming less valued in the Behavioral Health world.*
  - *Bill Bowman feels like this is a sign of eroding of the Substance Use field.*
  - *Connie Wille believes the scope of the CASAC needs to be re-examined.*
- *Reenergize the Regional Network*
  - *Chelsea Dodd is looking for feedback for increasing participation.*
  - *Suggestion to include in the Northern Tier Meeting, Chelsea Dodd will work with Becca to get it on the agenda for the September meeting.*
- *Connie Wille would like to know how Opioid funding is distributed in other counties.*

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- Bill Bowman states it is different in all counties, Connie Wille states it has not been distributed in Clinton County.
- Jay Ulrich states that St. Lawrence County had 2 separate pots, one to the local government and one to the mandate to MAT in the jail. A lot of the restricted funds have not been designated.

## 7. Updates

- **North Country Regional Network of Care**

- *Care Coordination Grant – Bud Ziolkowski & Rachel Milone – Website*
  - i. *Rachel Milone has left, but the website is still active. If you have any questions, please contact Chelsea Dodd ([CBartlett@svpc.net](mailto:CBartlett@svpc.net))*
  - ii. *Bud Ziolkowski has retired*

- **Committee Updates:**

- *Wellness*
  - i. *Finalized letter and compiled a proposal on staff wellness for Northern Tier Coalition to send to the Commissioner. Bill Bowman will forward it to the Commissioner.*
  - ii. *Will keep working on the Wellness Designation.*
- *Education*
  - i. *Have not met in a bit*
- *Advocacy*
  - i. *Have not met yet*
- *Sustainability*
  - i. *Have not met in a bit*

- **Conference:**

- *November 7-9, High Peaks Resort, Lake Placid, NY*
- *Looking for sponsors/vendors/award nominations.*  
<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07ejr7tpyk250d6e55&llr=lhnyz4oab>
- *Early Bird Registration is open.*

- **OASAS:**

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- **ASAP Update:**

- *The new name is The Inunity Alliance which should begin January 1<sup>st</sup>.*

- **Providers:**

- Champlain Valley
  - i.
- Credo Community Center
  - i.
- St. Lawrence County Addiction Services
  - i.
- St. Lawrence Health System
  - i.
- North Country Freedom Homes
  - i.
- St. Joseph's
  - i.
- St. Regis Mohawk Health Services
  - i.
- Citizens Advocates
  - i.
- Prevention Team

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- o Pivot
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- o Mountain View Prevention Services
- i.
- o Grace House
- i.
- o Prevention Network of CNY
- i.

### 8. Adjournment adjourn at 11:08 am.

#### Membership Dues Paid:

Carolyn White, Credo Community Center for Treatment of Addictions, Inc., Janet Price-Kurta, Joyce Nebush, Mountain View Prevention Services, Seaway Valley Prevention Services, St. Lawrence Health, Substance Abuse Prevention Team of Essex County, Inc., Pivot, St. Joseph's Rehabilitation Center, North Country Freedom Homes, Champlain Valley Family Center

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