



Regional Opioid Abatement Council Meeting Minutes October 30, 2025

This meeting was held in Person & via Zoom

Approved 01/29/26

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:02 pm with a quorum present.

2. Roll Call

Voting Members present: Xavier Crockett, Bobbie Daniel, Caré McInnis, Jill Calvert, Dan Bunnell, Dave Krouse, Gary Marak, Henry Stoffel, Matthew Barrett

Non-Voting Members present: Dr. Ryan Jackman

Absent: Jesse Standford

3. Deletions or Changes to the Agenda

There were no deletions or changes to the agenda.

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest for Agenda Items

There were no conflicts.

5. Adoption of April 17, 2025 Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Mr. Stoffel and seconded by Mr. Bunnell to approve the minutes from August 14, 2025 as presented. Approval was unanimous. The motion carried.

For: Xavier Crockett, Bobbie Daniel, Caré McInnis, Jill Calvert, Dan Bunnell, Dave Krouse, Gary Marak, Henry Stoffel, Matthew Barrett

Absent: Jesse Standford

6. Emergency Funding

Counseling & Education Center:

Faith Rodriguez, Executive Director of United Way of Mesa County, presented Counseling & Education Center's application for emergency funding in the amount of \$500,000. Ms. Rodriguez, Ms. Daniels (Mesa County Public Health's Behavioral Health Division Director) and Mr. Crockett answered questions from the Board. A brief discussion around the importance of the continuum of care was held. Ms. Rodriguez read

Dr. Jackman's comments submitted via email to the Board as he was joining the meeting a few minutes late.

It was moved by Mr. Stoffel and seconded by Ms. Daniel to approve Counseling & Education Center's application request for emergency funding in full. Approval was unanimous. The motion carried.

For: Xavier Crockett, Bobbie Daniel, Caré McInnis, Jill Calvert, Dan Bunnell, Dave Krouse, Gary Marak, Henry Stoffel, Matthew Barrett
Absent: Jesse Standford

Good Samaritan

Ms. Rodriguez presented Good Samaritan's emergency funding application in the amount of \$25,000. A discussion about application details was held. Jennifer Daniels and Amber Delay O'Connor, Grant Manager at Porch Light provided comments to the Board. Ms. Rodriguez read Dr. Jackman's comments submitted via email to the Board as he was joining the meeting a few minutes late. Ms. Daniels answered questions from the Board. Ms. Amber Delay O'Connor addressed the Board responding to some outstanding general questions.

It was moved by Mr. Stoffel and seconded by Ms. Daniel to approve Good Samaritan's application request for emergency funding in full under the condition that the grant writer position will not be funded by Opioid Settlement dollars. Approval was unanimous. The motion carried.

For: Xavier Crockett, Bobbie Daniel, Caré McInnis, Jill Calvert, Dan Bunnell, Dave Krouse, Gary Marak, Henry Stoffel, Matthew Barrett
Absent: Jesse Standford

Loving Beyond Understanding (Innovations to Increase Access to Lived-Experience Peers)

Ms. Rodriguez presented Loving Beyond Understanding (LBU)'s emergency funding application in the amount of \$175,000. A discussion about application details as well as Behavioral Health Administration (BHA) rules and regulations with respect to peer work was held. Mr. Crockett stated that he will seek clarification from the BHA.

It was moved by Ms. Daniel and seconded by Mr. Stoffel to reject LBU's Innovations to Increase Access to Lived-Experience Peers application for emergency funding in the amount of \$175,000 at this time.

For: Xavier Crockett, Bobbie Daniel, Caré McInnis, Jill Calvert, Dan Bunnell, Dave Krouse, Gary Marak, Henry Stoffel, Matthew Barrett
Absent: Jesse Standford

Loving Beyond Understanding (Safe-Space Collaborative Clinic for Vulnerable Populations)

Ms. Rodriguez presented Loving Beyond Understanding (LBU)'s emergency funding application in the amount of \$150,000. A discussion about application details was held, especially around aspects of, duplicative services, sustainability and accountability. Mr. Crockett suggested a deferral to the current rounds of state and infrastructure shares.

It was moved by Ms. Daniel and seconded by Mr. Bunnell to reject LBU's Safe-Space Collaborative Clinic for Vulnerable Populations application for emergency funding in the amount of \$150,000.

For: Xavier Crockett, Bobbie Daniel, Caré McInnis, Jill Calvert, Dan Bunnell, Dave Krouse, Gary Marak, Henry Stoffel, Matthew Barrett
Absent: Jesse Standford

Peer 180

Ms. Rodriguez presented Peer 180's emergency funding application in the amount of \$81,280. The council discussed application details and weighed in on the advantages and disadvantages of providing emergency funding to the organization.

It was moved by Mr. Stoffel and seconded by Ms. Daniel to approve Peer 180's application request for emergency funding under the condition that the improved retention of current staff deliverable will be changed to 6 months instead of the initially proposed 12 month timeframe. Approval was unanimous. The motion carried.

Xavier Crockett, Bobbie Daniel, Caré McInnis, Jill Calvert, Dan Bunnell, Dave Krouse, Gary Marak, Henry Stoffel, Matthew Barrett
Absent: Jesse Standford

7. Deliverable Reporting

Mr. Crockett stated that any questions or concerns regarding this quarter's deliverable reports can be sent to Ms. Drews. Mr. Crockett further expressed some concerns with respect to trends in late reporting from several organizations.

Mr. Stoffel requested a clearer Excel spreadsheet to determine if a deliverable has been met.

Moving forward, Ms. Lujan will provide executive summaries of deliverable reporting to be presented at Regional Opioid Abatement Council meetings.

8. State & Infrastructure Shares Update

Mr. Crockett provided an update on the current round of state (or Resilient Colorado Grant) and infrastructure shares with the Board. Ms. Drews will send out informational material to the Regional Opioid Abatement Council containing details about application deadlines and eligibility.

9. Colorado Opioid Abatement Conference

Mr. Stoffel and Dr. Jackman shared their takeaways from this year's Colorado Opioid Abatement Conference in Loveland, Colorado. A brief discussion around Medicaid outlooks and HCPF was held.

10. Start Y3 Walmart undisputed amount payments

Ms. Drews shared that Year 3 payments from the Walmart settlement are going out towards the end of October. Region 13 is expected to receive \$1,073.77.

11. Meeting Schedule for 2026

Mr. Crockett stated that Regional Opioid Abatement Council meeting invites for the coming year will be sent out soon.

12. Unscheduled Business

13. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 1:33 p.m.
Next meeting: January 15, 2026

Minutes prepared by: Ewara Drews