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Meeting Minutes

Meeting Name:	Somerset County Behavioral Health Authority (SBHA) meeting
Date of Meeting: Apr 16, 2025	Time: 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Minutes Prepared By: Sharon Creasy	Location: 8928 Sign post Rd Westover MD 21871 & 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Meeting Objective:	Business Meeting
Attendees:	Yvonne Harris- (SCHD), , Claudia Nelson (DHS Somerset County), Jessica Pastusak (SCHD), Shannon Frey (SCHD), Edwana Cottman (TidalHealth), Sharon R. Creasy -(SCHD), Marc Pixley (Palmetto), Andra Taylor (SCHD), Jamar Fudge (Delancey St. fund.), Cherie Meienschein (recovery courts), Virginia Price (DPSCS), Keisha Gibbs (DPSCS), Christine Chamberlain (Step up from Grace)
Agenda Item:	Discussion
Welcome & Introductions	Claudia Nelson welcomed everyone to the meeting and did round table introductions.
Approval of Minutes	Jessica Pastusak approved the minutes and Marc Pixley 2nd the approval
Jamar Fudge -Delancey Street Foundation	<p style="text-align: center;">Delancey Street Foundation NewYork, San Francisco, Los Angeles, New Mexico, South Carolina</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Long-Term Legacy program (can be considered a HalfWay House)• Chronic Homelessness and Substance Abuse• Can take up to 100 people as of now only 20 people in the program.• total of 5 Individuals that run the houses and keep everything in line.• No Dual Diagnosis or Sex Offenders allowed• Minimum of a 2 year commitment- Can stay longer• Have to be there on their own accord.• has to give up all personal items (no watches, phones. clothing) Everything will be provided

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ages 18-68 • referrals usually come from the courts with a letter from you while still incarcerated - however if they do not come from the courts you would have to visit one of the houses for an interview (as this is the first step) • After the initial 3-6 months on maintenance role, everyone will transition to working for one of the in-house (Moving Company, Christmas tree sales, Construction, and Trucking) companies. • They do offer every Saturday a BBQ where everyone that has been a part of the program can come back and socialize with the house. • If they do not wish to continue on the journey they will work out a way for clients to return to their home state, or offer another place to go.
Agency Updates/ Upcoming Trainings	<p>Yvonne Harris (SCHD)- This will be her last meeting as she will be retiring July 1, 2025, but will be on leave starting April 30th through June 30th.</p> <p>Marc Pixley (Palmetto)- There are openings for both men (Princess Anne) and women (Parsonsburg) at our facility.</p> <p>Cherie Meienschein (Recovery Courts)- Upcoming graduation on May 2, 2025, for two participants. Some alumni are planning to attend the ceremony.</p> <p>Christine Chamberlain (Step up from Grace) A new house is opening in Salisbury for all women. As of now, the house is full.</p>
Next Meeting	Wednesday, June 18, 2025, 10:00 am - 11:00 am, **Hybrid** 8928 Sign Post Rd Suite 2 Westover, Md 21871

