



Behavioral Wellness Commission Meeting

Wednesday, June 21, 2017

3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Santa Barbara Children's Large Conf. Rm

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Meeting Minutes

Meeting Facilitator: Sharon Byrne, 4th District, Behavioral Wellness Commission Chair.

Department of Behavioral Wellness Staff: Alice Gleghorn, PhD, Director; John Doyel, Alcohol and Drug Program Administrator; Karen Campos, Behavioral Wellness Commission Program Administrator.

Roll Call: Commission Members Present: Das Williams, 1st District Supervisor; Jan Winter, 1st District; Rod Pearson, 1st District; Wayne Mellinger, 1st District; Sharon Rumberger, 2nd District; Judy Blue, 2nd District; Ruth Ackerman, 2nd District; Tom Franklin, 3rd District; Ciara Wong, 3rd District; Mary Richardson, 3rd District; Sharon Byrne, 4th District, Chair; John Truman, 5th District; Charles Huffines, 5th District.

Commission Members Absent: Jeffery Moore, 1st District (excused); Alicia Journey, 2nd District (excused); Edwin Weaver, 4th District; Ann Eldridge, 5th District.

Establish Quorum: Chair Byrne established quorum.

General Public Comment: none.

1. Welcome and Introductions Chair Byrne welcomed everyone followed by self-introductions.

2. Chair Announcements

- Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Plan was approved by the Board of Supervisors and will now be submitted to the State.
- Resiliency Interventions for Sexual Exploitation (RISE) program will be hosting a collaborative meeting today at 5:45 pm at 530 E Montecito St. in Santa Barbara.
- Chair Byrne attended the Mental Health Board Training and Regional Meeting in Irvine on June 17th.
- Reminder to Behavioral Wellness Commissioners that attendance and adherence to the Bylaws is very important.
- Current member, Edwin Weaver will unfortunately not be able to serve on this board once the prevention contract awarded to his agency is signed.

3. Review and Approve Minutes of the April 27, 2017 and May 15, 2017 BWC Special Meeting

Supervisor Williams made a motion to approve the May 15, 2017 and April 27, 2017 special meeting minutes with the following amendment to April minutes; under Roll Call, add him as present. Commissioner Franklin seconded. No objections. Commissioner Rumberger abstained. Motion carried.

4. Behavioral Wellness Forensic Manager Update - John Lewis introduced himself and provided a brief overview of the programs he oversees and shared some of his team's goals.

1. Justice Alliance provides linkage of services to individuals within the criminal justice system with mental health issues which includes those who are determined Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST).
2. Juvenile Justice Mental Health contracts with probation and includes the Los Prieto's Boys Camp and Juvenile Hall. The program provides crisis intervention, assessments and access to services.
3. RISE program services girls who are sexually trafficked.
4. AB109 program serves criminal offenders who get released from jail into the community.

5. Behavioral Wellness Commission 2017 Action Plan

Chair Byrne goes over the commissions 2017 objectives:

1. Submit an Annual report to BOS;
2. Complete the Data Notebook for submission to the CA Mental Health Planning Council;
3. Oversee and advise the Behavioral Wellness Department programs and community based organizations providing services
 - includes substance abuse and mental health services
 - monthly agenda item to be added to this meeting for commissioners to report on site visits
4. Cross pollinate expertise between Alcohol and Drug Board Commissioners and Mental Health Board Commissioners who now form the Behavioral Wellness Commission;
 - buddy system and new member orientation was suggested
5. Represent community concerns and community input on program needs.

In reference to goal number 3, Dr. Gleghorn informs that a directory of services can be found on the Department website as commissioners expressed that they would like to put together a list by region of providers and create a sign up list for site visits.

Action: Commissioner Franklin made a motion to form the Site Review Compilation Ad hoc Sub – Committee with participants Ruth Ackerman, Rod Pearson and Tom Franklin to put together a list by region of providers and create a sign up list for commissioner site visits. Commissioner Ackerman seconded. No objections. Motion carried.

6. Commissioner Reports and Site Reviews

Commissioner Truman reports that 5th district members met with Supervisor Lavagnino on May 30th to go over commissioner goals and have agreed to meet monthly.

Commissioner Pearson comments that he is a liaison with the Community Corrections Input Group which meets at the jail the first Thursday of the month at 1:00 pm. The committee goes over mental health medications and health for all inmates; go over statistics of programs among other things. They are looking for two additional members if anyone was interested. Commissioner Richardson and Commissioner Truman volunteered.

7. Department of Behavioral Wellness Directors' Report

Dr. Gleghorn presents her June report which highlights the following:

Psychological First Aid offered by Dr. Macy to staff, community organizations, parents and community members; Santa Maria High School Training that will be provided by department staff to students on how to identify behavioral health challenges; Staff recently trained and certified in CPR and First Aid; Mental Health Resources for the LGBTQ community; Sexual orientation/gender identity trainings to be offered in July 2017; and the Systems Change Calendar also included.

8. Correspondence

NAMI Letter - Chair Byrne holds this item until the following meeting as Vice Chair Alicia Journey was unable to attend today's meeting.

9. Upcoming Agenda Items

Update from Sheriff Brown; Health KIDS report by Edwin Weaver; Behavioral Sciences Unit Update by Eddie Hsueh; Lobbying, Conflict of Interest, Disclosure and Inclusion of Others by Alicia Journey; SAFTY program update; Housing Services Update by Laura Zeitz; Mental Health and Alcohol Drug Program Geriatric services; Site Review Compilation Ad hoc Sub - Committee Report

Action: Commissioner Winter made a motion to add to the next meeting agenda the discussion to establish an executive committee. Commissioner Franklin seconded. Chair Byrne opposed. Motion carried

10. Adjournment – 4:50 pm.