



## **Behavioral Wellness Commission Meeting**

Wednesday, February 21, 2018

3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Santa Barbara Children's Large Conf. Rm

Santa Maria Large Conf. Rm

### **Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Facilitator:** Sharon Byrne, 4<sup>th</sup> District, Behavioral Wellness Commission Chair.

**Department of Behavioral Wellness Staff:** Alice Gleghorn, Director; Karen Campos, Behavioral Wellness Commission Program Administrator; Pam Fisher, Assistant Director of Clinical Operations; John Doyel, Division Chief of the Drug and Alcohol Program; Celeste Andersen, Chief of Compliance; Yaneris Muñiz, Policy and Procedures Coordinator; Ana Vicuña, Division Chief of Clinical Operations; John Winckler, Crisis Services Manager/Lompoc Regional Manager.

**Roll Call: Commission Members Present:** Das Williams, 1<sup>st</sup> District Supervisor; Wayne Mellinger, 1<sup>st</sup> District; Rod Pearson, 1<sup>st</sup> District; Jan Winter, 1<sup>st</sup> District; Judy Blue, 2<sup>nd</sup> District; Sharon Rumberger, 2<sup>nd</sup> District; Mary Richardson, 3<sup>rd</sup> District; Tom Franklin, 3<sup>rd</sup> District; Sharon Byrne, 4<sup>th</sup> District, Chair; Charles Huffines, 5<sup>th</sup> District (Santa Maria location); Ann Eldridge, 5<sup>th</sup> District (by phone); James Rohde, 5<sup>th</sup> District; John Truman, 5<sup>th</sup> District (Santa Maria location).

**Commission Members Absent:** Alicia Journey, Vice Chair, 2<sup>nd</sup> District.

**Establish Quorum:** Chair Byrne established quorum.

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

### **New Business**

2. **Discontinuation of Client Mental Health Services Policy & Procedure** (Attachment 2a) Celeste Andersen, Chief of Compliance provides overview of the Policy and explains the importance of managing the timeliness of services and ensuring that those that need care receive the appropriate services, caseload and data management. Ms. Andersen explains that this Policy & Procedure was not brought to this Commission for review/approval as it addresses all of the State requirements. Pam Fisher, Assistant Director of Clinical Operations, Ana Vicuña, Division Chief of Clinical Operations and Yaneris Muñiz, Policy and Procedures Coordinator were also in attendance answering Commissioner questions. Ms. Andersen agreed to respond via e-mail to questions submitted by Commissioners that were not addressed due to agenda time constraints.
3. **Disaster Response** – John Winckler and Dr. Gleghorn provided an overview of the Departments efforts and involvement in the recent Thomas fire and 1/9 debris flow which included the launch of numerous mental health activities such as Emergency Operations call center, compassion centers at various schools for students, staff and parents, shelter staffing, community meetings, staffing at the Local Assistance Center and repopulation groups to name a few.
4. **Executive Director's Report** – Dr. Gleghorn provided an overview of items included in the February's Directors report which highlighted the following:

Thomas Fire and 1/9 Debris Flow Update; Department seeking Crisis Response Assistance Workers through FEMA funding California HOPE; Alcohol and Drug Program Staffing Update; Alcohol and Drug Medi-Cal and Organized Delivery System Update; Mandatory Trainings; Survey Results of No Place Like Home; National and State News and Systems Change Calendar.

**Commission Business:**

5. **General Public Comment** – Lynne Gibbs with NAMI expressed her concerns as an individual and family member with the Departments Discontinuation of Client Mental Health Services Policy and Procedure. Main concern being that clients should receive a disclosure of their State and Federal rights along with appeal instructions when they receive the letter of intent referenced in the policy.
6. **Review and Approve Minutes of the December 20, 2017 BWC Meeting** (Attachment 6a) – the following amendments were requested: 1<sup>st</sup> page, under *Commission Members Absent*, add *John Truman, 5<sup>th</sup> District as excused*; 2<sup>nd</sup> page, item number 7 *Action*, 1<sup>st</sup> sentence to read as follows, Commissioner Eldridge made a motion to form a subcommittee *to review* the End of the Year BOS report *drafted by Chair Byrne*; 2<sup>nd</sup> page, item number 9A, change *Santa Barbara Calle Real Clinic* to *Council on Alcoholism & Drug Abuse (CADA)* and remove all Commissioner names listed and add *Rod Pearson and Tom Franklin*.

**Action:** Commissioner Rohde made a motion to approve the December 20, 2017 minutes with the noted amendments above. Commissioner Winter seconded. Commissioner Truman abstained. No objections. Motion carried.

7. **Correspondence** – None at this meeting
8. **Chair Announcements** – no announcements at this meeting.
9. **Reports of Officers, Boards: Chair, Site Visits, Liaisons to other Committees and BWC Special Committees**
  - A. **BWC Site Review Compilation Ad Hoc Subcommittee Update** – no update on site visits this month, they are hoping to have a review of sites at the next meeting. As a reminder, letters of intent are to be composed by Commissioners conducting site visit, text to be sent to Karen to input on Commission letterhead and the letter is to be presented by Commissioner Franklin or Pearson to the site being requested.
  - B. **Sheriff's Community Corrections Input Group Update** – Commissioner Rumberger reports that there is now an exchange of records between the jail and the Department. Commissioner Rohde reports that a training program began November 17<sup>th</sup> where released inmates are given the opportunity to get a job, pay can be up to \$35.00/hour. Also, recently it was reported that only 25 grievances had been submitted, the lowest number in a long time.
  - C. **Ballot Initiative Exploration Ad Hoc Subcommittee** – no update at this meeting.
  - D. **BWC CMHPC Data Notebook Ad Hoc Subcommittee** – Commissioner Blue taking the lead on this subcommittee as Commissioner Moore is awaiting reappointment. Will report next meeting.
10. **Behavioral Wellness Commission 2018 Election of Officials** - Ballots were passed around with Sharon Byrne and James Rohde nominated for Chair and Wayne Mellinger, James Rohde and Charles Huffines nominated for Vice Chair, however Wayne Mellinger opted out of the ballot. There were no new nominations from the floor.

**Action:** With 8 votes, Sharon Byrne was re-elected as Behavioral Wellness Commission Chair. With 6 votes, James Rohde was elected as the new Behavioral Wellness Commission Vice Chair.
11. **Upcoming Agenda Items** - Strategic Plan; and Budget Summary provided by Chris Ribeiro.
12. **Adjournment** – meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm