



Behavioral Wellness Commission Meeting

Wednesday, May 16, 2018

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Santa Barbara Children's Clinic, Large Conference Room
Santa Maria Adult Clinic, Annex Conference Room

Meeting Notes

Meeting Facilitator: Sharon Byrne, 4th District, Behavioral Wellness Commission (BWC) Chairperson.

Department of Behavioral Wellness Staff: Alice Gleghorn, Department Director; Lucero Garcia, Interim BWC Program Administrator; Karen Campos, BWC Program Administrator; John Doyel, Alcohol and Drug Program Division Chief.

Commission Members Present: Jan Winter, 1st District; Jeffrey Moore, 1st District; Judy Blue, 2nd District; Sharon Rumberger, 2nd District; Angie Swanson-Kyriaco, 2nd District; Tom Franklin, 3rd District; Sharon Byrne, 4th District, Chair; Ann Eldridge, 5th District.

Commission Members Absent: Das Williams; 1st District Supervisor (excused); Rod Pearson, 1st District (excused); 1st District Supervisor; Wayne Mellinger, 1st District; Bill Cirone, 3rd District (excused); Mary Richardson, 3rd District (excused); Charles Huffines, 5th District (excused); John Truman, 5th District (excused).

Call- to-Order and Roll-Call - Chair Byrne called the meeting to order at 3:07 p.m. Lucero Garcia conducted roll-call.

Establish Quorum - Chair Byrne indicated quorum was not established.

General Public Comment - No public comments at this meeting.

1. **Welcome and Introductions** - Chair Byrne welcomed everyone followed by self-introductions.
2. **Chairperson Announcements** - Chair Byrne had no announcements.
3. **Review and Approve Minutes of the March 21, 2018 BWC Meeting** (Attachment 3a) -

Action: There is no action since Commission did not meet quorum.

4. **Executive Director's Report** - Department Director, Alice Gleghorn covered the following topics: Santa Maria Crisis Residential Treatment (CRT) 10-bed facility will serve adults with co-occurring disorders the facility's construction is planned in June; Behavioral Wellness receives funding from the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) to expand Children's Crisis Services for individuals under 21 years of age; Announcement of Mental Health Month celebrated on May 1st, 2018, a resolution supporting mental health in Santa Barbara County went before the Board of Supervisors (BOS) and 10 staff were praised for joining the 5K Walk/Run Event on May 12th, 2018; Advisory Group members sought for Implicit Bias Training, this is a partnership with Jill Sharkey, Ph.D. and her University of California Santa Barbara (UCSB) team to address differences and the identified key deliverables for youth of color in the mental health system, for additional information contact Yaneris Muñiz, at ymuniz@co.santa-barbara.ca.us; Staff are required to complete mandatory online trainings by June 30th, 2018, for additional questions contact Kathleen Chiarappa, at BwellTrainingGroup@co.santa-barbara.ca.us; Statewide News included as well as the Systems Change Calendar.

New Business

5. **Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) Licenses Discussion** - City of Santa Barbara Police Department Public Engagement Manager, Anthony Wagner, shared 435 cities have executed controlled polices at the municipality level for ABC Licenses. Mr. Wagner specified how licenses are distributed for on-sale it is 1 license to every 2,000 residents and off-sale is 1 license to every 2,500 residents. The residential data is retrieved from the Census Bureau Tract. The different alcohol distribution outlets were described such as the neighborhood markets, liquor stores, restaurants, and restaurants/night bars, and how they adhere to different laws (federal and state) and ordinances. Chair Byrne shared a story of a young adult who was intoxicated and fell off an Isla Vista (IV) cliff and suggested having measures to prevent those types of situations from occurring. Mr. Wagner indicated that there has been an increase in collaboration among California Highway Patrol (CHP), the Sheriff's Department (IV Foot Patrol) and UCSB Representatives that monitor the IV community. Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Lieutenant, Juan Camarena summarized the ABC Act and shared the Sheriff's Department applied for an ABC grant which will focus on enforcement and sending under-cover/under-age individuals to purchase alcohol. In IV there are currently 6 off-sale licenses and 14 on-sale licenses (2 out of the 14 are bars). Alcohol and Drug Program Division Chief, John Doyel, mentioned that preventive measures have been taken in IV such as concerts held during Deltopia, IV mentors providing advice to tenants to reduce music volume and not allow under-age drinking, and partnering with several organizations. Guest speakers answered Commissioner questions.
6. **Mental Health Treatment Courts** – Santa Barbara County Superior Court Judge, Kay Kuns, who presides over the various treatment courts in Santa Maria, discussed the work of the Mental Health and Dual Diagnosis Treatment Courts. Judge Kuns described the Mental Health Courts partner with the Probation Department, Justice Alliance, Holman Group and practitioners in the mental health system to provide supervision over the delivery of treatment to those individuals who have severe mental illness and are involved in the justice system. Justice Alliance representatives provide good information to use in court as they have worked closely with consumers. This 12-18 month program mandates co-occurring clients to have mental health treatment and be compliant with prescribed medications. Ms. Kuns answered Commissioner questions and was commended for her presentation. Judge Kuns also acknowledged the Department for the services provided to the community.

Commission Business:

7. **Reports of Officers, Boards: Chair, Site Visits, Liaisons to other Committees and BWC Special Committees**
 - A. **BWC Site Review Compilation Ad Hoc Sub-committee Update** – Commissioner Franklin reported site reviews are being done. Commissioner Blue will provide a date for her site visit and he will contact the site.
 - B. **Sheriff's Community Corrections Input Group Update** – Commissioner Winter reported about complaints, grievances, and a NAMI medical form that will be accessible online. The form is for families of inmates to inform the medical unit of their family members' medications and other important information. Three methods to submit the form: electronically, mail-in, or in-person. Commissioner Winter will find out when the form will be available and Commissioner Richardson offered to translate the form in Spanish. Commissioner Winter praised the new vendors at the unit.
 - C. **Ballot Initiative Exploration Ad Hoc Sub-committee** – Commissioner Rumberger stated the group is brainstorming on how the funding will be distributed among the different crisis services. The tax increase proposition was not on this year's ballot but the sub-committee anticipates it may be on next year's ballot. The data of the suggested tax increase tiers were reviewed.
8. **Upcoming Agenda Items** – Community groups/agencies leading prevention campaigns in the County.
9. **Adjournment** – Meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.