



Behavioral Wellness Commission Special Meeting

Wednesday, July 18, 2018

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Santa Barbara Children's Large Conf. Rm

Santa Maria Annex Conf. Rm

Meeting Minutes

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; John Doyel, Alcohol and Drug Program Division Chief; Shereen Khatapoush, Research and Program Evaluation Manager.

Commission Members Present: Das Williams, 1st District Supervisor; Jeffrey Moore, 1st District; Rod Pearson, 1st District; Jan Winter, 1st District; Judy Blue, 2nd District; Bill Cirone, 2nd District; Mary Richardson, 3rd District; Sharon Byrne, 4th District, Chair; Donald Casebolt, 5th District; Ann Eldridge, 5th District; Charles Huffines, 5th District (Santa Maria location); John Truman, 5th District (Santa Maria location).

Commission Members Absent: Wayne Mellinger, 1st District; Sharon Rumberger, 2nd District (excused); Angie Swanson-Kyriaco, 2nd District (excused); Tom Franklin, 3rd District (excused); Kelly McLoughlin, 4th District (excused).

1. **Call-to-Order and Roll-Call** – Chair Byrne called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. Lucero Garcia conducted roll-call.
2. **Establish Quorum** – Chair Byrne established quorum.
3. **General Public Comment** – Ruth Ackerman announced she will be re-appointed to the BWC.
4. **Welcome and Introductions** – Chair Byrne welcomed everyone followed by self-introductions.
5. **Chairperson Announcements** – Chair Byrne had no announcements.
6. **Review and Approve Minutes of the July 18, 2018 BWC Meeting** (Attachment 6a) –

Action: Commissioner Truman made a motion to approve the July 18, 2018 BWC meeting minutes as presented. Commissioner Huffines seconded. No objections. Motion carried.

7. **Executive Director's Report** - Department Director, Alice Gleghorn covered the following: Santa Maria Adult Outpatient Clinic has 5 Dialectical Behavioral Therapy (DBT) graduates; Lompoc Children and Transitional Age Youth (TAY) teams celebrate success of completing and finalizing documentations before the end of FY 17-18; Timeliness self-assessment demonstrates improvements in access to care; Crisis Services (formerly the CARES and Triage teams) are located at 315 Camino del Remedio; the Children's Triage Grant will be placed on hold due to the Governor's amended budget effecting MHSA funding; July is Minority Mental Health Month; Mixtec Culture Training available on Relias; National and Statewide news included as well as the Systems Change Calendar.

New Business

8. **CPS Discussion** (Attachments 8a, 8b) – Ms. Khatapoush discussed the CPS data and reviewed 8 domain questions selected for the consumer surveys. Vice Chair Moore asked if there are goals or a baseline to compare the data results. Dr. Gleghorn indicated the D-pages set the Department’s goals and the data provided does demonstrate consumer satisfaction has improved. Dr. Gleghorn added the perception of cultural sensitivity is higher in Santa Barbara County than the State of California. Ms. Khatapoush read comments made by adults, youth, and youth family and answered Commissioner questions.
9. **Updated Goals Discussion** – Vice Chair Moore would like the commissioners to provide goals and/or any matters that need to be addressed. Site visits are encouraged as that is a way to be engaged on behalf of the community. Commissioner Eldridge commented communication is important to completing goals. Commissioner Pearson reiterated having site visit data implemented. Commissioner Winter would like to review the Bylaws for inconsistencies and will ask Commissioner Rumberger to assist. Vice Chair Moore suggested creating an ad hoc subcommittee for this task. The BWC and Dr. Gleghorn were commended for their participation and having appointed staff attend this monthly meeting.
10. **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 Pearson indicated the group has a list of sites to visit and a questionnaire to fill-in while touring. Commissioner Pearson suggested having commissioners work in different districts with different members and would like the data from the site questionnaire gathered and reported.
 - B. **Sheriff’s Community Corrections Input Group Update** – Commissioner Richardson shared she volunteered Saturday assisting Spanish speaking families and the Sheriff’s office agreed to meet with those families with any concerns they may have in North and South County. This meeting is for community members to meet once a month to discuss jail matters with the Sheriff’s Department Chair.
 - C. **Ballot Initiative Exploration Ad Hoc Sub-committee** – Chair Byrne described the group is observing the proposed tax rates. The suggestion for Santa Barbara County is a 1 percent increase. Possibility of collecting signatures to have this proposal in the year 2020 ballot. This tax increase can potentially assist filling in the gaps for behavioral health in the County.
11. **Upcoming Agenda Items** – The following items were suggested: Homelessness Discussion presented by Emily Allen and Sara Grosso.
12. **Adjournment** – Meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.