



## Department of Behavioral Wellness Commission Meeting

Wednesday, February 20, 2019

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Santa Barbara Children's Large Conf. Rm

Lompoc New Port Harbor Conf. Rm.

Santa Maria Annex Conf. Rm

### Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Facilitator:** Sharon Byrne, 4<sup>th</sup> District, Behavioral Wellness Commission (BWC)

**Commission Members Present:** Wayne Mellinger, 1<sup>st</sup> District; Jeffrey Moore, 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; Tom Franklin, 3<sup>rd</sup> District; Mary Richardson, 3<sup>rd</sup> District; Julia Lara, 3<sup>rd</sup> District; Sharon Byrne, 4<sup>th</sup> District, Chair; Kelly McLoughlin, 4<sup>th</sup> District; John Truman, 5<sup>th</sup> District; Ann Eldridge, 5<sup>th</sup> District; Donald Casebolt, 5<sup>th</sup> District.

**Commission Members Excused:** Gregg Hart, 2<sup>nd</sup> District Supervisor; Angie Swanson-Kyriaco, 2<sup>nd</sup> District; Bill Cirone, 3<sup>rd</sup> District; Charles Huffines, 5<sup>th</sup> District.

**Behavioral Wellness Department Staff:** Dr. Alice Gleghorn, Department Director; Karen Campos, BWC Program Administrator; Lindsay Walter, Deputy Director Chief of Administrative Services; Chris Ribeiro, Chief Financial Officer; Emma Godinez, Fiscal Manager.

**Guests:** Alethea Marti & Xuan Tran, UCLA research staff for Health Services.

1. **Call-to-Order and Roll-Call:** Chair Byrne called the meeting to order at 3:07 p.m. Behavioral Wellness Commission Program Administrator; Karen Campos conducted roll-call.
2. **Establish Quorum:** Chair Byrne established quorum.
3. **General Public Comment:** none at this meeting.
4. **Welcome and Introductions:** Chair Byrne welcomed everyone followed by self-introductions.
5. **Chairperson Announcements:** Chair Byrne thanked everyone who volunteered in the recent homeless outreach count.
6. **Review and Approve January 16, 2019 BWC Meeting Minutes (Attachment 6a):**

**Action:** Commissioner Franklin made a motion to approve the January 16, 2019 BWC meeting minutes as presented. Commissioner Mellinger seconded. Abstentions; Julia Lara, Ann Eldridge, John Trumann, Kelly McLoughlin and Mary Richardson. No objections. Motion carried.

7. **Behavioral Wellness Executive Director's Report:** Dr. Gleghorn highlights items in the February Director's Report which includes: FY 19-20 MHSa Stakeholder Planning Forum Dates; Behavioral Wellness Disaster Response Team actively involved in providing support with the most recent rain event; Behavioral Wellness FY 17-18 Annual Report has been released; Behavioral Wellness appoints new Human Resources Manager, Michael Tate; the 24/7 Access line data shows positive impact of Organized Delivery System launch; Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System Update; New and Revised Policies Approved; Behavioral Wellness Represented at 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Social Equity Summit; Cultural Competence and Diversity

Action Team (CCDAT) Update; Regional Partnership Meeting Updates; Change Agents Update; Childrens System of Care Action Team Update; Crisis Action Team Update; Homeless Services (HEART) Action Team Update; PEER Action Team Update; Forensic Action Team Update; State and National News; and Systems Change Calendar.

Commissioner Eldridge shares concern that departmental policies that affect client care are not being vetted by this body. Dr. Gleghorn clarifies reasoning as this is an advisory not a governing body, however assures the Commission that all policies and procedures go through an approval process to ensure compliance with State and Federal regulations. Commissioner Mellinger requested to add Discharge Policy to future agenda.

Dr. Gleghorn explained the IST process per Commissioner Blue's request. Commissioner Truman encouraged everyone to read the *Behavioral Wellness FY 17-18 Annual Report* as it provides a lot of great data.

8. **Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Update;** Deputy Director Chief of Administration and Operations, Lindsay Walter who oversees the MHSA plan reports that the public hearing needs to be conducted at the commencement of the 30 day posting period. Key areas highlighted in the report this year are kids system, No Place Like Home and peers within our community (county employees and contracted agencies). She would like to request that the Public Hearing take place during the BWC May meeting so that the plan can be presented and approved by the Board of Supervisors (BOS) in June.

**Action:** Commissioner Mellinger made a motion to designate the May Behavioral Wellness Commission meeting for the MHSA public hearing with direction to staff to look into availability of the Board of Supervisors Conference rooms in Santa Maria and Santa Barbara to hold this meeting via videoconference. Commissioner Winter seconded. No oppositions. No abstentions.

9. **Behavioral Wellness Current Year Financial Status Update** – Chris Ribeiro presents handout which highlights the following slides; Revenues by operating fund (department total - \$131.7); revenues by funding source (department total \$131.7m); current year highlights; current year/ ongoing challenges; anticipated future year budget challenges; historical that it's been a long time since Behavioral Wellness doesn't have to go to the board and ask for more money.

Ms. Winter requested that the presentation to the BOS highlight that the AOT program is not funded all the way through the year and asks if the Department will advocate to have the other half of year covered. Dr. Gleghorn explains that an external evaluator is conducting the evaluation of this pilot program and the first step would be to present their findings as that was the direction from the BOS.

#### Commission Business

10. **Reports of Officers, Boards: Chair, Site Visits, Liaisons to other Committees and BWC Special Committees**
  - A. **BWC Site Review Compilation Ad Hoc Subcommittee Update:** Chair Byrne reports that she has reached out to Lompoc Recovery Learning Center to set up a site visit and has not heard back yet; Commissioner Franklin reports that there are site visits being coordinated with Commissioners Rumberger, Swanson-Kyriaco, Casebolt and Truman. Reports to be given at the next meeting.
  - B. **Sheriff's Community Corrections Input Group Update:** no report.
  - C. **Ballot Initiative Exploration Ad Hoc Sub-committee:** no report.
  - D. **Data Notebook 2019** (attachment 11a) - California Behavioral Health Planning Council (CBHPC) has issued a survey regarding the most critical needs in our community. Commissioner Blue and Rumberger report that they met with department staff to go over the survey and are happy to report that they received

a lot of great input. A draft document was provided however they are expecting a more complete version. Overall they were impressed with staff and information provided. BWC Program Administrator, Ms. Campos to follow up with staff in regards to completed survey.

Commissioners Pearson, Winter and Byrne report that they divided departmental informational meetings amongst each other and were able to gather data pertaining to the survey. Chair Byrne indicated that they will need to meet within the first two weeks of March to merge all of the data gathered.

**E. California Association of Local Behavioral Health Boards and Commissions (CALBHBC)**  
Commissioner Franklin reports that he sat on the CALBHBC call for Chair Byrne and reports that it was very well attended and listening in made him feel that this Commission is doing good work compared to other Counties which seem to have similar issues but handled differently.

**F. Bylaws Ad Hoc Subcommittee Update:** tabled to the next meeting.

11. **Medicaid Exclusion Waiver Letter of Support to BOS** (attachment 11a) – the Commission reviewed the letter presented as a meeting packet handout drafted by Commissioner Winter.

**Action:** Commissioner Franklin made a motion to approve the letter to BOS regarding Medicaid Exclusion Waiver as presented. Commissioner Eldridge seconded. No abstentions. No objections. Motion carried.

12. **Upcoming Agenda Items** – the following were recommended:

**March;** Behavioral Wellness Annual Report Review (20 minutes); Homeless Count Report with Emily Allen (20 minutes); Discharge Policy Update with Celeste Andersen (10 minutes); Data Notebook Review and Approval with Subcommittee (25 Minutes); BWC Bylaws revision proposal regarding nominating committee requested by Commissioner Winter (5 minutes).

**April;** Assertive Outpatient Treatment (AOT) Update (20 minutes); IMD (30 minutes).

**May;** MHSA Public Hearing (2 hours).

**June;** Incompetent to Stand Trial Update.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.