



January 7, 2021  
Behavioral Health Advisory Board  
Meeting Minutes

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**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Che Hernandez – District 1  
Bill Stewart, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair – District 1  
Joel San Juan – District 1  
Janice Luna-Reynoso – District 1  
Jenifer Mendel, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair -District 2  
Rebecca Hernandez – District 2  
Mike Grattan – District 3  
Ed Weiner – District 3  
Deanne George – District 3  
Jerry Hall – District 4  
John Sturm - District 4  
Judith Yates, Chair– District 4  
K.C. Strang – District 5  
Richard McGaffigan – District 5  
Phil Deming, Member-at-Large -District 5  
Debbie Barnum – District 5  
Nathan Fletcher – Board of Supervisors appointee

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Michael Matthews, Member-at-Large – District 2  
Thomas Hathorn – District 2  
Shannon Jaccard – District 3

**STAFF TO THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD**

Luke Bergmann, Director, Behavioral Health Services  
Dania Barroso-Conde, Administrative Analyst III, Behavioral Health Services

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) was called to order by Judith Yates, Chair, at 2:30 p.m. via Zoom.

**II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – DECEMBER 3, 2020**

As part of the minutes roll call served to determine members of BHAB in attendance.

ON MOTION of John Sturm, seconded by Jenifer Mendel, BHAB approved the minutes of December 3, 2020.

AYES: 14 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 1

**III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – OCTOBER 29, 2020 RETREAT**

ON MOTION of Jerry Hall, seconded by John Sturm, BHAB approved the minutes of October 29, 2020.

AYES: 11 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 4

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Three public comments were received and read. One comment exceeded the three-minute time limit and was sent in its entirety to BHAB members electronically.

**V. INTRODUCTION**

Luke Bergmann introduced Board of Supervisors Chair Nathan Fletcher as the new Board liaison to the Behavioral Health Advisory Board and serves as the 21<sup>st</sup> member of BHAB. Chair Fletcher outlined his vision for working with BHAB in 2021.

**VI. ACTION ITEM AND DISCUSSION: PROCUREMENT OMNIBUS BOARD LETTER**

**Luke Bergmann, Director, Behavioral Health Services**

The Procurement Omnibus Board Letter and recommended actions were reviewed by Dr. Bergmann.

ON MOTION of Jenifer Mendel, seconded by Phillip Deming, BHAB voted to support the Procurement Omnibus Board Letter.

AYES: 13 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0

**VII. INFORMATIONAL ITEM AND DISCUSSION: HARM REDUCTION RESPONSE TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**Luke Bergmann, Director, Behavioral Health Services**

BHAB members discussed strategies to encourage harm reduction and how substance use disorder programs can work together to improve outcomes for individuals with methamphetamine use disorder.

**VIII. DISCUSSION: 2021 BHAB PRIORITIES**

**Hudson Harris, Behavioral Health Services**

Discussion occurred finalizing the 2021 BHAB Priorities and the strategies by which to implement these goals.

**IX. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**Luke Bergmann, Director, Behavioral Health Services**

Dr. Bergmann discussed the California Health Facilities Financing Administration (CHFFA) Grant Program for Children and Youth. The grant is a capital funding opportunity with the County as the lead, in partnership with Fred Finch Youth & Family Services, and if awarded, funds will be used to develop a crisis residential treatment center for youth located in the unincorporated area of El Cajon.

**X. CHAIR'S REPORT**

**Judith Yates, Chair**

Dania Barroso-Conde will provide the link to the online ethics training to those who have not yet completed the requirement or are due for renewal.

**XI. REPORTS FROM BHAB WORKGROUPS**

**Overdose Prevention Workgroup:** The workgroup met on January 5<sup>th</sup> and discussed the fentanyl crisis and the negative impacts of alcohol abuse.

**XII. MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

ON MOTION of Phillip Deming, seconded by Jenifer Mendel, the meeting adjourned at 5:00pm.  
AYES: 15 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0