



April 6, 2023
Behavioral Health Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT

Bill Stewart, Chair -District 1 (Teleconferencing)
Janice Luna Reynoso – District 1
Joel San Juan - District 1
Serita Polinaire – District 2
Todd Boyer – District 2
Jim Taylor – District 2
Robin Sales, Member-at-Large – District 3
Judith Yates, 1st Vice Chair – District 4
Janessa Goldbeck – District 4
Carol Clemens, Member-at-Large – District 5
Richard McGaffigan – District 5

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Gaurav Mishra- District 1
James Merino – District 2
Shannon Jaccard – District 3
Michael Grattan – District 3
Shea Benton – District 4
Amina Sheik Mohamed – District 4
K.C. Strang – District 5
Phil Deming, 2nd Vice Chair – District 5
Nathan Fletcher, Board of Supervisors

STAFF TO THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

Luke Bergmann, Director, Behavioral Health Services (BHS)
Dania Barroso-Conde, Behavioral Health Advisory Board Coordinator, BHS

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) was called to order by Judith Yates, 1st Vice Chair, at 2:32PM in-person and via Zoom.

Judith Yates announced the resignation of BHAB members Shannon Jaccard and Phil Deming.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES AND ROLL CALL

ON MOTION of Robin Sales, seconded by Carol Clemens, BHAB approved the minutes from March 2, 2023.

AYES: 11 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Jerry Hall stated concerns regarding Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) funds and separately expressed concerns regarding involuntary treatment under CARE Court.

Angela Rowe advocated to improve behavioral health workforce development. She would like to see the MHSA innovation funds and other financial incentives utilized to attract behavioral health workforce.

Carmen Stoll advocated for behavioral health services for people with developmental disabilities.

IV. ACTION ITEM: BHAB CRIMINAL JUSTICE (CJ) SUBCOMMITTEE 2023 ANNUAL REPORT

The Criminal Justice subcommittee presented their recommendations for approval to disseminate to the Board of Supervisors (BoS). CJ co-chairs, Rick McGaffigan and Robin Sales, noted that the recommendations are a work in progress and the subcommittee is open to feedback.

ON MOTION of Janessa Goldbeck, seconded by Robin Sales, BHAB approved the BHAB Criminal Justice (CJ) Subcommittee 2023 Annual Report

AYES: 11 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0

V. ACTION ITEM: REPORT BACK ON OPIOID SETTLEMENT FRAMEWORK & UPDATE ON ILLICIT FENTANYL MEDIA CAMPAIGN

Dr. Nicole Esposito and Kat Briggs requested BHAB approval for the competitive solicitation to expand and accelerate community-responsive, behavioral health public messaging, outreach, and education on illicit fentanyl.

ON MOTION of Joel San Juan, seconded by Serita Polinaire, BHAB approved the Report Back on Opioid Settlement Framework & Update on Illicit Fentanyl

AYES: 11 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0

VI. Presentation: County of San Diego Housing Blueprint

Natalia Hentschel, Community Engagement Manager, County of San Diego (County), presented on the County's Housing Blueprint. The County is creating a roadmap to guide the ongoing response to the housing affordability crisis. The resulting Housing Blueprint will lay out the goals, objectives, and strategies the County will follow to maximize resources, balance priorities, and ensure the steps taken to meet San Diego's housing needs.

VII. Director's Report

Luke Bergmann remarked on current events involving Supervisor Fletcher, assuring BHAB that his departure from the BoS and BHAB will not impact the ongoing work of BHS. He also provided updates on CARE court including changes to senatebill (SB) 43, which adds substance use disorder and serious harm as an indicator of grave disability, and on the Behavioral Health Bridge Housing (BHBH) program. Additionally, an update was provided on Governor Newsom's announcement of proposed changes to MHSA which would devote funding to address homelessness among people with a mental health or substance use disorder.

VIII. BHAB Subcommittee Report Out

Serita Polinaire from the Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention (AOD) Subcommittee shared that Dr. Wilma Wooten will present at the next AOD subcommittee meeting on Wednesday, 4/19 at 3:00 p.m.

IX. Chair's Report

Judith Yates, 1st Vice Chair, announced that BHAB Executive Officers will need to determine how to replace the 2nd Vice Chair vacancy on the Executive Committee. Any suggestions by BHAB members should be made to Dania Barroso-Conde.

X. Announcements

Luke Bergmann announced that a CalAIM Board Letter led by Medical Care Services will be presented to the BoS at their meeting on May 23, 2023. The Board Letter will be presented to the Health Services Advisory Board (HSAB) at their meeting on May 2, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. BHAB members are invited to attend and staff will follow-up in email with more details. Additionally, he announced that the MHSA Three-Year Expenditure Plan Act was posted on April 4th for a 30-day public review period.

XI. MEETING ADJOURMENT

On motion of Robin Sales, seconded by Serita Polinaire the meeting adjourned at 5:02pm.