



October 6, 2018
Behavioral Health Advisory Board
Fall Retreat Summary

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MEMBERS PRESENT

Che Hernandez – District 1
Janice Luna Reynoso – District 1
Joel San Juan – District 1
Bill Stewart – District 1
Michael Matthews – District 2
Jenifer Mendel, Chairperson – District 2
Deanne George – District 3
Ed Weiner – District 3
Jerry Hall, Member-at-Large (ADS) – District 4
Judith Yates – District 4
John Sturm, 1st Vice Chair – District 4
Richard McGaffigan, Member-at-Large (MH) – District 5

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Rebecca Hernandez, 2nd Vice Chair – District 2
Mike Grattan – District 3
Tom Behr – District 4
Phil Deming – District 5
K.C. Strang – District 5

STAFF TO THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

Alfredo Aguirre, Director, Behavioral Health Services (BHS)
Holly Salazar, Assistant Director Departmental Operations, Behavioral Health Services (BHS)
Luke Bergmann, Director, Integrative Services
Ben Parmentier, Administrative Analyst III, Behavioral Health Services
Sarah “Dani” Alvarado, Administrative Secretary III, Behavioral Health Services
Bertha “Betty” Milton, Administrative Secretary III, Behavioral Health Services

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) Fall Retreat was called to order by Jenifer Mendel, Chair, at 9:00am at the County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health Services Administration, La Jolla Conference Room 3255 Camino Del Rio South, San Diego, CA, 92108

II. INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

Members of BHAB briefly introduced themselves.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

IV. ROADMAP YEAR TWO: ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND THE YEARS AHEAD

Holly Salazar, Assistant Director Departmental Operations, Behavioral Health Services

Holly Salazar discussed the roadmap including the changes from prior years and the path forward for community input. The roadmap is a frame work for BHS to operate within, formed by stakeholders and featuring visions and strategies for various BHS priorities over a 10 year period.

The discussion of the roadmap facilitated by Holly Salazar included: how the indicators for success are located in the roadmap, barriers clients face when obtaining services, the metrics of information that is weighted in the roadmap, and the timeframe within which the ten year roadmap was originally created.

V. BOARD EVALUATION, ETHICS & BOARD COLLABORATION DISCUSSION

Jenifer Mendel, Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) Chair

Ben Parmentier, Administrative Analyst III, Behavioral Health Services

BHAB reviewed the results of an internal evaluation given to BHAB members that rated the overall performance of the Behavioral Health Advisory Board.

The discussion of the board evaluation, facilitated by Jenifer Mendel, included: BHAB being an integrated board including both mental health and drug and alcohol, communicating with their Board of Supervisor, having adequate time to speak during BHAB meetings, and ensuring everyone is compliant with ethics requirements.

VI. BOARD CONFERENCE – OCTOBER 30, 2018

Holly Salazar, Assistant Director Departmental Operations, Behavioral Health Services

Holly Salazar discussed the board conference that will occur on October 30th at 9am. The board conference will review the topic of Countywide inpatient psychiatric care and the continuum of care with short-term and long-term recommendations.

The discussion of the board conference facilitated by Holly Salazar, included: logistics of the board conference, involvement and commitment of all of the Board of Supervisors, deadlines for the short-term and long-term recommendations, the intent of the conference, and a request for probation to be a part of the dialogue.

VII. BHAB ANNUAL REPORT 2018

Alfredo Aguirre, Director, Behavioral Health Services

Alfredo came discussed the upcoming 2018 BHAB Annual Report and the information that will need to be captured. The process begins in November and December to gather data from BHAB members regarding their contributions inside and outside of the BHAB meetings, and it will be released in early 2019.

VIII. ESTABLISHING 2019 PRIORITIES

Jenifer Mendel, Chair

Ahead of the retreat, BHAB members each submitted three priority areas of focus for 2019, which resulted in a list of 12 potential priorities. At the retreat, members individually stated their top 3 priorities from the 12 potential priorities submitted.

The top 6 were:

1. *Address homelessness County-wide, with a focus on provision of permanent supportive housing, and housing for homeless youth and Veterans. (7 votes)*
2. *Build an understanding of the continuum of care to identify gaps and barriers that hinder client access to the right services and supports. (5 votes)*
3. *Developing an appropriate, meaningful role for BHAB engagement in the system of care planning and service delivery. (4 votes)*
4. *Work with County and external partners to improve care coordination and strengthen access to services across the continuum of care, especially crisis stabilization services and inpatient psychiatric beds. (4 votes)*
5. *Stay informed about Drug Medi-Cal (DMC) Implementation and monitor its development and outcomes in the community. (4 votes)*

6. *Continue the development of BHAB, its structure, and its processes. (3 votes)*

The BHAB board discussed the six priorities and condensed into the following three:

- 1) *Address homelessness County-wide, with a focus on prevention and provision of housing options for all homeless individuals under a housing first model.*
- 2) *Collaborate with County and external partners to improve care coordination and strengthen the continuum of care across the spectrum of behavioral health by identifying challenges and gaps that hinder client access to services.*
- 3) *Continue the development of BHAB, its structure, processes, and reporting systems by developing an appropriate, meaningful role for BHAB engagement in the system of care planning and service delivery.*

ON MOTION of John Strum, seconded by Deanne George, BHAB approved the top 3 priorities for 2019 on October 6th, 2018, as written.

AYES: 12 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0

Based on these three priorities, there is a recommendation to create workgroups for each priority. The following workgroups correspond to the numbered priority.

Workgroup for Priority 1: Joel San Juan, Ed Weiner, John Strum, Che Hernandez, and Janice Luna Reynoso.

Workgroup for Priority 2: Bill Stewart, Michael Matthews, Richard McGaffigan, Janice Luna Reynoso, and Judith Yates

Workgroup for Priority 3: Jerry Hall, John Strum, and Richard McGaffigan.

IX. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS & ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

- A list of all advisory boards and meetings will be sent to BHAB members.
- Topics for collaboration items need to be sent to Ben two weeks prior to monthly meeting.

X. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION of Janice Luna Reynoso, seconded by John Strum, the meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

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