

Behavioral Health Board Minutes
San Luis Obispo County
January 19, 2021
3:00p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Barbara Levenson
Marshall Hamilton
David Riestler
Rose Fowler Plummer
Mary Bianchi
Nicole Bennett
Supervisor Ortiz-Legg
Joseph Kurtzman
Robert Reyes
Lori Thomas (for Amber/ SELPA)
Pamela Zweifel
Melissa Cummins
Josh Pintor (for Sheriff Parkinson)

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Eulalia Apolinar
Johnny Rodriguez
Amber Gallagher
Marcella Paric

GUESTS:

Jon Nibbio
Jessie Yates
Dana Ready

HEALTH AGENCY STAFF PRESENT:

Anne Robin
Laura Zarate

1. **Barbara Levenson called meeting to order @ 3:00 pm.**
2. **Introductions and Announcements:**
 - Round-table introductions.
3. **Public Comments-**
 - Pam Zweifel:
 - Excited to announce that Andrew Holland has joined NAMI. Had first joint meeting. Putting together an advocacy committee called Andrew Holland Advocacy Committee. Briand Atwell and Joseph Kurtzman are part of this committee.
 - Nicole Bennett:
 - Holman Group is now a Behavioral Health vendor- the mild to moderate will now be treated by Cen-Cal Health and not by Holman Group. Members may now call Cen-Cal Health directly for their treatment. Cen-Cal Health is trying to reduce barriers. SLO County Behavioral Health is working closely and collaborately with Cen-Cal Health.
 - Anne Robin:
 - The homeless count “Point in Time” was scheduled for January 26th ahs been moved to February 23, 2022. Everyone is welcomed to volunteer. There is a volunteer application on the Drug and Alcohol website.

4. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from November 17, 2021
M/S/C: Marshall Hamilton/Pam Zweifel Abstain: None

5. **Ongoing Business:**

Administrative Action: VOTE TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING GOVERNOR NEWSOM'S PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY AND AUTHORIZING MEETINGS BY TELECONFERENCE UNTIL THE BHB'S NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING PURSUANT TO THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT, AS AUTHORIZED BY ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 361

Vote in favor of meeting by Zoom in January: Pam Zweifel, Mary Bianchi, Marshall Hamilton, Melissa Cummins, David Riester, Lori Thomas, Nicole Bennett, Joseph Kurtzman, Supervisor Ortiz-Legg, Jessi Yates, Rose Fowler-Plummer. All in favor of meeting by Zoom in January.

6. **New Business:**

- **AD-HOC PROCEDURES**

Anne Robin shared the procedures on screen. The purpose of an ADHOC Committee is to identify issues in our County, identify people who would be interested in being part of this Committee for a short term. It can be anything under our purview.

Laura Zarate to send out AD-HOC procedures and BHB can email back topic ideas. Some ideas are: Criminal Justice, Employment, Disaster, Elder Adults, Suicide Prevention, LGBTQ

- **CALBHB- BARBARA LEVENSON TO REPORT BACK**

Barbara Levenson reported back her findings. The CALBHB meeting was from 9am-1:30pm. The meeting covered several topics including Bill SB 465, three Grants related to Crisis Services and African Coalition.

7. **Membership Committee Report-**

- **UPDATE:** Very pleased to have had the opportunity to interview Dana Ready. We will present her next meeting for voting as a potential Behavioral Health Board member. David Riester and Mary Bianchi believe she will be a good asset to this Board.
- **DISCUSS CURRENT INTEREST AND ACTIVITY:** This will take place instead of Member Highlight. The Board member will describe the area of program related to current Behavioral Health issues or specific concerns important to them.

8. **Committee Representatives Update:** No Update

9. **Member Highlight: Tom Milder**

Tom Milder is not available this month. Starting next month, will transition into Member sharing what specifically are their activities pertaining to this Board.

10. **Director's Report:**

- A new grant has been received. Crisis Care Mobil Units (CCMU) is one of them which will expand coverage for youth triage/crisis response in North County. and expanding the dispatch/call center to 24/7.
- Need a contracted Grant writer. Frank Warren and Dr. Star Graber have done an amazing job, but we need a contracted Grant writer.

11. **Presentation: Assessing the Continuum of Care for Behavioral Health Services in California Data, Stakeholder Perspectives, and Implications- Anne Robin.**

<https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Documents/Assessing-the-Continuum-of-Care-for-BH-Services-in-California.pdf>:

12. **Adjourn at 4:20pm M/S/C: Pam Zweifel/Joseph Kurtzman**