

Behavioral Health Advisory Board Minutes

Wednesday, November 16, 2022 3:00-5:00pm

Zoom Conference

Attendance

Board Members: Kyle Horst, Chair; Supervisor Tami Ritter; Jessi Wallis; Lt. Jarrod Agurkis; Andrea Wagner

Staff: Scott Kennelly, Sam Casale, Jess Gilligan, August Moore, Taryn Clay, Summer Borchard, Reidun Waddell, Jessica Wood, Helena Meyer, DeGene Dean, Bow Rice, Tania Mich, Kelly Marinello, Kim Peoples, Brenda Mullennix, Brenda Sallade

Visitors: Sage, Dr. Lori LaRiviere, Cynthia Cantwell (NAMI), Kevin Freitas (CAMHPRO), Amber Abney-Bass (Jesus Center), Colleen Phipps (NAMI), FMolina, Tanya Fontenot (Lilliput/Wayfinder Family Services), Danny Medina (CAMHPRO), Eden Werstler (CWAHA), Erna Friedeberg (NVCCS), RRichard, Mary Nordskog, Forough

Absent: Lizz Watling; Bobby O'Reiley

Agenda Item/Issue:	Discussion Summary:	Recommendation/Result/ Action/ Next Step/Person Assigned/Due Date:
1. Correspondence /Hand Outs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kyle welcomed the Board and audience to introduce themselves. Kyle explained to the group where to find the agenda and handouts for the BHAB meetings and shared the link. https://www.buttecounty.net/behavioralhealth/advisory-board 	
2. Call to Order Action Item-Vote to Approve Assembly Bill (AB) 361 Action Item – Vote to approve the draft meeting minutes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The purpose of the AB361 Resolution was explained. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervisor Tami Ritter put a motion on the floor to approve the Resolution. Andrea Wagner seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The draft minutes from October 19, 2022 were reviewed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervisor Tami Ritter put a motion on the floor to approve the minutes as written. Jessi Wallis seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Board unanimously voted to meet online per the AB 361 Resolution. The October 19, 2022 minutes will be posted on the Behavioral Health Advisory Board website.
3. Public Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kyle reviewed the public participation protocol. The Peer Certification test deadline for those who have scholarships has been extended from February 2023 to December 31, 2023. 	
4. Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The BHAB Strategic Planning meeting has been scheduled for December 21, 2022 at 	

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	<p>the regular meeting time and is still open to the public.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There will be no BHAB Executive Committee Meeting in December. 	
<p>5. New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Action Item: Vote to approve the Data Notebook 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Data Notebook submission and data was discussed. • The Data Notebook will be posted on the Behavioral Health website. • A link was provided for anyone with an interest in reviewing previous data notebooks. https://www.calbhbc.org/data-notebooks.html • The Notebook was completed by the Systems Performance, Research and Evaluation team and was submitted on time. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Supervisor Tami Ritter put a motion on the floor to approve the data notebook as submitted. ○ Lt. Jarrod Agurkis seconded the motion. ○ The motion to approve the data notebook as it was submitted was unanimously approved. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Action Item: Vote to elect 2023 BHAB Chair and Vice Chair positions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was discussion regarding Chair and Vice Chair nominations for 2023. • There were no additional nominations received from the last meeting. • Kyle Horst accepted the nomination by Supervisor Tami Ritter for Chair. • Andrea Wagner accepted the nomination for Vice Chair by Supervisor Tami Ritter. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Supervisor Tami Ritter motioned to approve Kyle Horst as Chair and Andrea Wagner as Vice Chair. ○ Lt. Jarrod Agurkis seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kyle Horst will continue as Chair for the upcoming year. • Andrea Wagner will be the Vice Chair.
<p>6. National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>You Are Not Alone: The NAMI Guide to Navigating Mental Health</i> has been released and is the first book they have ever written. 	
<p>7. Consumer Perspectives</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Zoom link to attend the Superior Region Access Ambassador Introduction Meeting on November 17th, 2-3pm was shared. 	
<p>8. Public Safety Update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Law enforcement has been seeing in the jail that the courts are backed up for individuals who are determined incompetent to stand 	

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	<p>trial and are waiting for the report so placement into the appropriate facility can occur.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a 10-bed competency treatment program (JVTC) here and there are nine individuals placed there with another 25-26 individuals waiting for placement reports so they can be placed in either the JVTC program or a State Hospital treatment facility. • Staffing issues continue. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There are 84 dedicated Deputy Sheriff positions in the corrections division. ○ There are 15 vacancies and 10 positions who are out on injury. • The Public Health inspection was passed with flying colors yesterday. • The Grand Jury is coming in next Tuesday. • The Board of State Community Corrections inspection is expected in February 2023. 	
<p>9. Committee Follow Up -Executive -Membership -Crisis Intervention Team (C.I.T.) -Performance Review Committee (P.R.C.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive Committee met briefly and set the agenda for this meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Executive Committee membership was discussed and clarified. ○ Strategic Planning meeting was discussed. • New membership applications were discussed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Kyle will be reaching out to the applicants in hopes they can be approved at the January meeting. • There were no other committee meetings. 	
<p>10. Peer Certification</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First round of early test takers completed October 14th and CalMHSA is reviewing the results. The final test is due in December. • Applications outside the scholarship program have not been processed. • Counties have until the end of November to submit names of Peers for scholarship certification. • December 31, 2022 is the final deadline for the grandparenting process for those who have been working as a Peer before January 2022 and wanting to be certified. 	

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11. Presentations

- Jesus Center, Pallet Shelter, Amber Abney-Bass

- The Pallet Shelter is a low-barrier, behavior-based model with 177 individual units.
- First occupants were hosted on April 25, 2022.
- There is staff is on-site 24 hours a day and the main services building is only closed from 10pm to 6am.
- Since opening in April, 210 unique individuals have been served.
- Today, there are 149 occupants, 71 dogs and a few cats. Pets represent the biggest disputes and challenges.
- 20 units are currently shared or double occupied units.
- The units are only 64 square feet.
- 75% of the occupants have been there more than 100 days.
- 54% have been there at least 150 days.
- The majority of people are staying and participating in services.
- About 50% that have left the Pallet Shelter for the status of Failed to Return (FTR), meaning they have left for more than 72 hours.
 - Belongings are secured, labeled, and stored for 14 days.
- Age: 50% 45 or older; 10% 62 or older; 9 people under 25.
- Gender: 59% male; 40% female; 1% no single or transgender.
- 38% report chronic health condition and 43% mental health conditions.
- 65% report being chronically homeless
- There have only been 5 Veterans served.
- Significant change is not expected to be seen until people have been on-site for at least 6 months.
- The occupants that have been there since April are just now reporting that they feel they are moving out of survival mode.
- Providers and services are available on site and are being utilized regularly.
- There is a site council made up of staff and occupants that meets monthly.

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<p>- BCDBH Outreach and Engagement, Tania Mich</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The shelter interest list is when people call the City of Chico and state they want to be considered for shelter. There were 707 calls, not individual people, as of October. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ During enforcement, we must attempt to reach 5 people per week. ○ During non-enforcement, we must attempt to reach 10 people per week. ○ Information that must be provided during these calls is name, contact number, place where they are camping and their date of birth. • Jesus Center confirms that a person is not a restricted person prior to being accepted. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Restricted people are registered sex offenders, registered arsonists, or has an active felony warrant for a specific list of violent crimes. • An evaluation survey regarding the Pallet Shelter is being created. • Many other services offered by the Jesus Center were discussed. • BCDBH is at the Pallet Shelter 4 days a week. • Attempts to link occupants to services is ongoing with staff continuing to meet people where they are. • When someone is referred, a needs assessment is completed to determine which services are appropriate. • People have been linked to attorneys regarding Camp Fire benefits, community-based counselors, SUD services, etc. • Some of the observed trends are people struggling with grief and loss, substance use, and extreme poverty. 	
<p>12. MHSA Update, Sam Casale</p> <p>- MHSA Plan and Community Input</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Input meetings are on-going in preparation for the 3-Year MHSA plan. • There is a video online and a survey that can be completed to provide input. • Links to the video and Community Input survey can be found at: Mental Health Services Act (buttecounty.net) and are provided in English and Spanish. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is also a video transcript available in Hmong. 	
<p>13. Director's Report, Scott Kennelly</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CHAT / Everhart Village - Medical Director - Creekside Place - Oleander Place 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progress continues to be made at Everhart Village and ground has been broken. • Most recent projection of completion is late February, early March. • The hope is that Everhart Village will have a spring opening. • Recruitment efforts and interviews are continuing for peers, counselors, nurses, etc. • Dr. LaRiviere has been contracted as the psychiatrist for the REST program at Everhart Village. • There was an in-person Medical Director interview this week. • The person interviewed declined the position and may not have been the best fit. • There is another interview next week with a seasoned medical director that has been in several counties and has experience with a residency program which sounds like a better fit. This interview is for a hybrid position of on-site and remote work. • This older adult housing project located across the street from Marsh Junior High is almost complete. • This project was funded by MHSA, No Place Like Home. • Applications are being accepted now through Continuum of Care. • There are 15 dedicated Behavioral Health units for adults aged 62 and older. • Oleander Place, which will be low-income apartments on the corner of Rio Lindo and Esplanade, is expected to break ground next year with completion date of 2025. 	

