

Behavioral Health Advisory Board Minutes

Wednesday, April 19th, 2023 3:00-5:00pm

Zoom Conference/109 Parmac Road, Suite #1. Chico CA. 95926 –

Chico Youth Center Conference Room

Attendance

Board Members: Kyle Horst (Chair), Andrea Wagner (Vice Chair), Bobby O'Reiley, Jessi Wallis, J Angel Calderon, Jarrod Agurkis

Staff: Brenda Blanco-Mullennix, Donovan Wong, Helena Meyer, Hope Kilby, Kim Peoples, Melody Robinson, Reidun Waddell, Scott Kennelly, Will Thompson, Brianna Ocampo, Jessica Wood, Charlene Nansel, Anna Smith, Julie Hendrickson, Carrie Baron, Carey Livingston, Amber Prather, Jennifer Ballew

Visitors: Kelly Doty (Wayfinder), Tiffany McCarter (AAFCC), Dominic Tzeuz (Level Up NorCAL), Katy Philippe (NVCSS), Ramona Flynn (LWV), Landa Bell-Carson (BIC), Elly O'Bryant, Sage (CWAHA), Ty Weber, DustyMarie Chess, Dayna, Lillian Salinas, Julie Heisler

Absent: Tammi Ritter, Tim Hawkins

Agenda Item/Issue:	Discussion Summary:	Recommendation/Result/ Action/ Next Step/Person Assigned/Due Date:
1. Correspondence and Hand Outs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kyle Horst explained the various meeting handouts and that they are available on the Behavioral Health Advisory Board. 	
2. Call to Order - Action Item – Vote to Approve Draft March Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kyle Horst called the meeting to order and welcomed the Board and audience to introduce themselves. The draft minutes from March 15, 2023 were reviewed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bobby O'Reiley put a motion on the floor to approve the minutes as written with corrections. Kyle Horst seconded the motion to approve. The motion passed with five (6) approving and two (2) abstention. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Item #2 in the minutes has a discrepancy between the numbers spelled out and the listed numbers. This correction has been made.
3. Public Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There were no public comments made at the meeting. 	
4. Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kyle Horst reminded Board Members that they need to meet in person at the Behavioral Health Advisory Board meetings. Board Members may virtually attend meetings twice a year. The Board needs to approve a Board Member attending virtually, prior to the meeting. 	

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<p>5. Medical Director Report, Dr. Wong</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Donovan Wong discussed the Xylazine and the Opioid Epidemic. Xylazine has the possibility to worsen the Opioid Epidemic<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Xylazine is a sedative, muscle relaxant and pain medication used for animals. FDA has not approved Xylazine for human consumption.○ Xylazine is derived from labs, pharmacy suppliers and available on internet sites.○ Xylazine, when combined with opioids, may increase the risk of overdose.○ The presence of Xylazine in overdose deaths has increased 20 times between 2015-2020.○ The concern is Xylazine will become more popular, resulting in more overdoses.○ Xylazine effects; enhanced euphoria with opioids, profound sedation, muscle injury, falls, low blood pressure, weak reflexes, Narcan does not reverse Xylazine effects.○ Xylazine long-term effects; severe skin wounds, anemia, increased blood sugar, incontinence, dependence/withdrawal.○ Dr. Wong discussed various harm reduction techniques.	
<p>6. New Business</p> <p>- Peer Workforce Committee</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Andrea Wagner discussed the Behavioral Health Advisory Board's new Peer Workforce Ad Hoc Committee<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Andrea will be the chair of the committee.○ The committee's goal is to create and address recommendations to enhance Butte County's Peer Workforce.○ Andrea will be setting up the initial meeting in the next couple of weeks and schedule regular bimonthly meetings (hour long meetings).○ If you are interested in being on the Peer Workforce committee, please email Andrea Wagner at lavoywagner@gmail.com	

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7. NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There was not a NAMI update provided at the meeting. 	
8. Consumer Perspectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrea Wagner mentioned the Iversen Center is having their annual fair. Request for proposal for Peer Certification Areas of Specialization have been sent out. Applications are due May 12th. State Peer Conference is June 12th and 13th at the Holiday Inn in Sacramento. The conference is free (besides lodging). Andrea is working on a carpool to the conference. Andrea encouraged the board and members of the community to read Senate Bill 43, as it could have a huge impact to our Mental Health System. 	
9. Public Safety Update, Lt. Jarrod Agurkis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There has been a clinician vacancy for the Jail Competency Treatment Program since January. The County recently fulfilled that vacancy. 	
10. Committee Follow Up -Executive -Membership -Crisis Intervention Team (C.I.T.) -Performance Review Committee (P.R.C.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kyle Horst discussed the restructuring of committees. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Executive Committee decided to terminate committees that do not currently meet. Currently there are three committees; Executive, Peer Workforce Committee, and Performance Review Committee. The board is working to revive the Performance Review Committee. 	
11. Peer Certification Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrea Wagner mentioned the new training for Peer Certification Specialization is open. There are applications for Peer Certification Trainers. The application is through CALMHSA and does not have a due date. 	
12. Presentation - Brain Injury Coalition (Landa Bell-Carson and Elly O'Bryant)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brain Injury Coalition was formed in 1991 to provide advocacy, support, and educational services. Vision – For individuals with brain injury to be accepted, supported, and integrated in the community. Mission – Brain Injury Coalition is an advocacy and education organization dedicated to promoting brain injury 	

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	<p>awareness and creating opportunities for individuals with brain injury, their caregivers, and families.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landa discussed individuals served, services provided, and the different assessments. • Landa discussed the different types of brain injuries and the various causes. Brain Injuries are rated on a scale of severity. • Statistics from the Brain Injury Association were provided. • Elly discussed long term effects of a brain injury and co-occurring behavioral health conditions. • Resources were provided; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> http://www.msktc.org/tbi/model-system-centers www.cdc.gov/TraumaticBrainInjury www.brainline.org www.SAMHSA.GOV 	
<p>13. MHSa Update, Sam Casale, MHSa Coordinator</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Board will be asked to vote on the MHSa Three Year Plan on May 17th at the next Behavioral Health Advisory Board Meeting. 	
<p>14. Director's Report, Scott Kennelly</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - California Mask Mandate - Psychiatric Health Facility - Oroville Adult Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The California Mask Mandate ended April 3rd. Masks will no longer be required in health care settings. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF) is still required to wear masks • The Psychiatric Health Facility was capped at ten clients due to staffing shortages. The PHF has resolved the staffing shortage and is now able to serve at full capacity (16 beds). • Oroville Adult Service's building has ongoing issues. As a result, Butte County Behavioral Health has decided to relocate to the 82 Table Mountain Boulevard, Oroville. The relocation is temporary (a few years) as the 	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alternative Gridley Site - Chico Community Counseling Center (Youth) - Vacancy Rate Report - Strategic Plan - Revitalize the Mental Health Service Act (MHSA) - CalAIM and payment reform 	<p>goal is to purchase a new building. Currently in negotiations for the purchase.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Butte County Behavioral Health started the search for an alternative site in Gridley, using CDBG funding. The hope is to build a new site from the ground up. • Butte County Behavioral Health is finalizing the purchase agreement for the Veteran Association building. The goal is to move Chico Youth into the building. • Butte County Behavioral Health vacancy rate is continually decreasing. • Adjusted Vacancy rate currently stands at 20.42%. Clinician and Nurses have the highest vacancy rates due to high demand. • Butte County Behavioral Health launched the strategic plan. This is a five-year plan. There will be a goal dashboard on the Butte County Behavioral Health Website to track progress and promote accountability. • Proposed change - 30% of MHSA funding to be redirected to the homeless population. This could cause funding cuts to existing Prevention and Early Intervention Programs. • Proposed change – MHSA funds can treat clients with a substance use disorder alone, there does not need to be a co-occurring mental health disorder • The bill is set to be voted on in Fall 2024. • Payment reform is effective July. The county received the new Medi-Cal rates in April. • The request for proposal will be open soon, with the new reimbursement rates. 	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sobering Center - Physicians Committed - Board and Care 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request for information was sent out and there was a provider interested in opening a Sobering Center. A budget will be created and proposed to the Board of supervisor. • Physicians Committed five-year funding period ends on June 30th. • There are potentially two new board and care homes opening in Oroville. They are in the process of being certified. Butte County Behavioral Health hopes to have an additional 20-25 beds between the two providers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information regarding Sobering Centers to be sent out to the Board via email.
<p>15. Public Comments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There were no public comments at the meeting. 	
<p>16. Adjournment Reminder</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The next Executive Committee meeting will be 5/4/2023 at 11:00 am. • The next BHAB meeting will be 5/17/2023 at 3:00 pm. • Meeting adjourned at 4:52 pm. 	

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