



**MENDOCINO COUNTY BEHAVIORAL
HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD**

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

**March 24, 2021
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

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OUR MISSION: *"To be committed to consumers, their families, and the delivery of quality care with the goals of recovery, human dignity, and the opportunity for individuals to meet their full potential."*

| Item | Agenda Item / Description | Action |
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| 1. 5 minutes | Call to Order, Roll Call & Quorum Notice, Approve Agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chair Rich called the meeting to order at 1:03 PM. ○ Members present: Behringer, Bradley, Eagles, Fuentes, Gorny, Lockart, Martinez, Matheson, Towle, Chair Rich, and Supervisor Mulheren. ○ Quorum met. ○ Agenda approved as presented. | Board Action: Motion made by Vice Chair Eagles, seconded by Member Bradley to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously. |
| 2. 5 minutes | Minutes of the February 24, 2021 BHAB Regular Meeting: Review and possible board action. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Minutes approved as presented. | Board Action: Motion made by Vice Chair Eagles, seconded by Member Bradley to approve the February 24, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously. |

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| <p>3. 10 minutes (Maximum)</p> | <p>Public Comments: <i>Members of the public wishing to make comments to the BHAB will be recognized at this time. Any additional comments will have to be provided through email to bhboard@mendocinocounty.org.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Supervisor Mulheren expressed her appreciation for Chair Rich and her presentation at the BOS meeting yesterday. She asked board members to reach out to her if there are any items that need advocacy or support to make it to the BOS meetings. ○ Member Lockart would like a community conference to discuss the increase in overdose deaths in youth. ○ Member Behringer addressed the work force need in County agencies, and what this board can do to help. | <p>Board Action:</p> |
| <p>4. 20 minutes</p> | <p>Board Reports: <i>Discussion and possible board action.</i></p> <p>A. Membership Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Member Behringer will work on scheduling a meeting with the Membership committee. <p>B. Chair – <i>Michelle Rich</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Priorities for 2021 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The board reviewed the 2021 calendar of activities shared and provided by Chair Rich. ○ The board agreed to plan the remainder of 2021 BHAB meetings referencing the document presented. <p>C. Vice Chair – <i>Julia Eagles</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Attended the Stepping Up meeting this past Monday. There are budget concerns for a software program, but there is a barrier in identifying clients delaying the process. b. Member Behringer will join the Stepping Up meetings as the BHAB representative. <p>D. Secretary – <i>Jo Bradley</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. No report. <p>E. Treasurer – <i>Richard Towle</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Member Towle stated the BHAB has funds for trainings and reimbursement, and funds to pay for online trainings. <p>F. Meeting Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Chair Rich presented a draft meeting report form intended for members to use to report to the board on meetings attended on behalf of the BHAB. b. Members should submit all meeting reports to Lili by the 15th of each month so it can be included in the agenda packet. | <p>Board Action:</p> <p>Motion made by Member Lockart, seconded by Member Bradley to adopt the form presented as the official meeting report from for the BHAB. Motion passed unanimously.</p> |
| <p>5. 10 Minutes</p> | <p>HHSA Assessment Update: <i>Discussion and possible board action.</i></p> <p>A. The HHSA Advisory Board was asked to present different agency models that are seen throughout California in terms of Social Services (SS), Behavioral Health (BH), and Public Health (PH).</p> <p>B. Kitchen Table Consulting (KTC) was hired by the county to create a report/recommendation on what model would be most beneficial for the county.</p> | <p>Board Action:</p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. KTC provided a draft Performance Improvement Review report. b. Common models are a Health and Human Services Agency (HHS) which includes all 3 agencies (SS, BH, PH), Health Services (BH & PH), Human Services (only SS), or 3 different models (Behavioral Health, Public Health, and Social Services). c. The majority of small counties have either an HHS model or a Human Services/Health Services model. <p>C. The HHS Advisory Board voted to dismantle the current HHS model, but is still working to determine if it should become a 2 or 3 agency model depending on what is best for the county.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. A decision/recommendation is expected to happen at next month's HHS Advisory board meeting (April 14th) before going to the BOS for the final decision. b. Update will be provided to the BHAB at next month's meeting. <p>D. Historical information from 2005-present regarding the HHS agency and the BHS department presented by BHS Director Miller including: funding, staffing, and overall HHS changes that have impacted BHS over the years and how the 3 different departments have worked together as one agency.</p> <p>E. Discussion on current process in place for contracts, travel requests, recruitment, etc. and the effect it has on staff due to the complicated and long processes currently in place. Splitting the agency could be beneficial as it would simplify a lot of these processes.</p> | <p>Motion made by Member Behringer, seconded by Member Lockart to make a recommendation to the HHS Advisory Board to support the 2 agency model (with understanding that it is based on current information and this could change). Motion passed with 9 approvals, 1 disapproval, and 1 abstention.</p> |
| <p>6. 10 minutes</p> | <p>Measure B: Discussion and possible board action.</p> <p>A. Measure B February Meeting Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The Measure B February meeting focused on the creation of a strategic plan and looking at the board's overall role. b. Chair Rich attended the restructure ad hoc committee meeting with other Measure B members and BOS Supervisor Haschak and Williams. The ad hoc will be making a recommendation to the Measure B committee at a future meeting, and will provide an update at today's Measure B meeting. <p>B. March Meeting Agenda Review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. No discussion. <p>C. Board of Supervisor Meeting Measure B Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Several items were in this week's BOS meeting including: CIT funding, the training center construction contract, and gun locker. b. The BOS asked for a Measure B financial analysis for the PHF. | <p>Board Action:</p> |
| <p>7. 10 minutes</p> | <p>Mendocino County Report: Jenine Miller, BHS Director</p> <p>A. Director Report Questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Included in agenda packet. <p>B. Budget Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o No discussion <p>C. Stats Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o No discussion | <p>Board Action:</p> |

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| <p>8. 10 minutes</p> | <p>Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Quarterly Update: <i>Karen Lovato, Acting Senior Program Manager</i></p> <p>A. Data presented included in agenda packet.</p> <p>a. Data presented for CSS and PEI MHSA services for FY 2020-21 Quarter 2. Any missing data on certain programs is pending as some data discrepancies are being resolved.</p> | <p>Board Action:</p> |
| <p>2 minutes</p> | <p>Stretch Break</p> | |
| <p>9. 5 minutes</p> | <p>Services at the Jail: <i>Jenine Miller, BHRS Director</i></p> <p><i>Discussion and possible board action.</i></p> <p>o Written report to be provided in next month's agenda.</p> | <p>Board Action:</p> |
| <p>10. 15 minutes</p> | <p>Housing Programs Update: <i>County Housing Programs and RQMC Programs</i></p> <p>A. Willow Terrace apartment complex: 38 SMI adults, the support and mental health services provided by the adult system of care.</p> <p>B. 24 hour facilities run by RCS include:</p> <p>a. Haven House (Assisted Outpatient Treatment)</p> <p>b. Harmony House (mostly conserved clients)</p> <p>c. Madrone house (for clients who do not qualify for a 5150 but are still at risk)</p> <p>d. Gibson (cognitive setting to stabilize clients and supportive mental health services)</p> <p>e. Valley House (all service providers help support this facility)</p> <p>C. The county also has 2 other apartment complexes similar to Willow Terrace but smaller. All clients housed in these complexes have a specialty mental health illness, and some clients have been living there for a very long time.</p> <p>D. Future housing in Fort Bragg: plans for 20 units for mental health housing, RQCM will most likely oversee the providers. Currently engaging in conversations with RCS and City of Fort Bragg.</p> <p>E. No Place Like Home competitive grant funds (part of the Orr Creek Commons Phase II project): working with RCHDC; the Phase II project will have 19 units for specialty mental health housing.</p> <p>F. No Place Like Home non-technical grant funds: BHRS is working with RCS to create permanent housing. Currently looking at an old hotel that can be converted into 10 livable units for long term housing.</p> <p>G. Discussion on the need of more housing outside of Ukiah.</p> | <p>Board Action:</p> |
| <p>11. 15 minutes</p> | <p>RQMC Report: <i>Camille Schraeder, Redwood Quality Management Company</i></p> <p>A. Data Dashboard Questions</p> <p>a. Data Dashboard included in agenda packet.</p> <p>B. Data Dashboard Walkthrough</p> <p>a. Sarah Walsh, RQMC joined the BHAB meeting to walk the board through the data dashboard as a refresher, and to explain more in detail what information is included in this report to new members of the board.</p> | <p>Board Action:</p> |

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| | <p>b. Most of the information provided on the Data Dashboard has been requested by this Board as they are popular areas of concern. RQMC welcomes any feedback or additional requests.</p> <p>c. Member Martinez would like further clarification on accountability for the reports. He would also like to know what is not working and what RQMC is doing to help those in need specifically in the homeless population.</p> | |
| 12. 5 Minutes | <p>Member Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o No member comments. | Board Action: |
| 13. | <p>Adjournment: 12:14 PM</p> <p>Next meeting: April 28, 2021 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM via Zoom</p> | Motion made by Member Matheson, seconded by Vice Chair Eagles to adjourn the meeting. |

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