



Mental Health Treatment Act Citizens Oversight Committee

Behavioral Health & Recovery Services

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Minutes: Wednesday, August 23, 2023

Meeting location: **Preston Hall – 44831 Main Street, Mendocino, CA 95460**

1 **CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL:** 1:07 PM

Committee Members Present: Member Allman, Member Antle, Member Barash, Member Bradley, Member Daugherty, Member Ebyam, Member Moschetti, and Chair Miller.

- Absent: Member Riley is excused.
- A quorum is established.
- County Counsel Christian Curtis was not present

2 **PUBLIC EXPRESSION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

- Perri Kaller, Willits resident and interested public member was interested in the expansion of the Administrative Services Organization (ASO) and the release of a second round of funds for the Substance Use Disorder Treatment (SUDT) program.
- John Weltzer, resident of Little River and former Chair of the Behavioral Health Advisory Board expressed his excitement to see the progress and start of the Psychiatric Health Facility on Whitmore Lane. He asked if the Crisis Stabilization Unit is still in the works. He also expressed his concerns regarding the Mobile Crisis Team's need for protective equipment.

3 **COMMITTEE MATTERS**

3a) **Approval of Minutes from the June 28, 2023, Regular Meeting.**

Presenter: Chair Miller

Committee Action: Upon motion, by Member Allman seconded by Member Daugherty it is ORDERED that the minutes of the June 28, 2023, regular meeting be accepted as presented.

- Motion passes with 7 approvals (Member Barash did not vote due to arriving later to the meeting.)

3b) **August 2023 Measure B Financial Report**

Presenter: Chair Miller

- Mary Alice Willeford, Deputy Director of BHRS Operations, presented the financial reports to the Measure B Committee. She mentioned revenues were posted through the month of May and the next series of reports will be available at the end of the month. She mentioned that the A87 expense was over budget this year due to facilities costs. The opening and operations of the Crisis Residential Treatment (CRT) facilities and the Behavioral Health Regional Training Center were larger facilities expenses due to increased maintenance costs.

Committee Action: None.

3c) Update and Discussion Regarding Measure B Related Items at the Board of Supervisors Meetings.

Presenter: Chair Miller

- The agenda item for the purchase of 8 additional tables for the Behavioral Health Regional Training Center will go to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) in September for approval.
- The RFP evaluation once finalized will be going to the BOS for review.
- The RFP evaluation to be added to the agenda and discussed at the next meeting.

Committee Action: None.

3d) Update and Discussion Regarding the Status of Current Measure B Projects

Presenter: Chair Miller

- They continue to see more interest of the use of Behavioral Health Regional Training Center.
- Member Moschetti mentioned that the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) is still working with the Native American Community. On August 9, 2023, NAMI held a “Meet and Greet” where seventeen members of the Native American community were present. NAMI is working on getting a Spanish speaker to help get more involvement from the Spanish speaking community. NAMI was able to train three Native Americans in NAMI “Family to Family”.
- Crisis assessment and psychiatric aftercare started back up through Measure B funds and will be up and running July 1. The goal is treating everyone through the end of the year.
- Chair Miller spoke on Fort Bragg Respite being up and running at capacity most of the time.
- Member Allman spoke on the citizens from south of Ukiah having concerns about the new Psychiatric Health Facility’s location.

Public Comment:

- Perri Kaller spoke on having more community meetings regarding the Psychiatric Health Facility project to create more cohesiveness.
- Jacque Williams from Ford Street Project commented on the suspension of the Substance Use RFP and her concerns.
- Fort Bragg Police Chief Cervenka spoke on Fort Bragg Respite was working wonderfully and was happy about Redwood Community Services (RCS) being able to have options of moving clients throughout the County as needed.

Committee Action: None.

4 COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

4a) Committee Member Reports Regarding Items of General Interest

- Member Allman made comment about being a part of a Rotary for Lake, Mendocino, and Sonoma Counties hoping a member of Sonoma County Rotary can speak to committee about app on iPhone to help with mental health services.

5 **ADJOURNMENT:**
There being nothing further, the Mental Health Treatment Act Citizens Oversight Committee adjourned the meeting at 1:47 PM.

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