



**MENDOCINO COUNTY  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
ADVISORY BOARD**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**April 24, 2024  
1:00 PM – 3:30 PM**

Location: Behavioral Health Regional Training Center, 8207 East Road,  
**Redwood Valley**

**Chairperson  
Vacant**

**Vice Chair  
Perri Kaller**

**Secretary/Treasurer  
Jo Bradley**

**BOS Supervisor  
Mo Mulheren**

<u><b>1<sup>ST</sup> DISTRICT:</b></u> <b>DENISE GORNY LOIS LOCKART VACANT</b>	<u><b>2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT:</b></u> <b>MARK DONEGAN VACANT VACANT</b>	<u><b>3<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT:</b></u> <b>JEFF SHIPP PERRI KALLER VACANT</b>	<u><b>4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT:</b></u> <b>VACANT VACANT VACANT</b>	<u><b>5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT:</b></u> <b>FLINDA BEHRINGER JO BRADLEY MARTIN MARTINEZ</b>
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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."*

	<b>Agenda Item / Description</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>1.</b> 3 minutes	<p><b>Call to Order, Roll Call &amp; Quorum Notice, Approve Agenda:</b> <i>Review and Possible Action.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vice Chair Kaller called the meeting to order at 1:26 pm</li> <li>Members Present Bradley, Behringer, Donegan, Gorny, Kaller, and Lockart</li> <li>Supervisor Mulheren was present</li> <li>Director of Behavioral Health Dr. Miller</li> </ul>	Board Action: Motion made by Member Gorny, seconded by Member Donegan to approve the April 24, 2024 Agenda. Motion passes.
<b>2.</b> 2 minutes	<p><b>Approval of Minutes from the March 27, 2024, BHAB Regular Meetings:</b> <i>Review and Possible Action.</i></p>	Board Action: Motion made by Member Donegan, seconded by Member Gorny to approve the March 27, 2024 minutes. Motion passes.
<b>3.</b> 10 minutes (Maximum)	<p><b>Public Comments:</b> <i>Members of the public wishing to comment on the BHAB will be recognized now. Any additional comments can be provided through email to <a href="mailto:bhboard@mendocinocounty.org">bhboard@mendocinocounty.org</a>.</i></p>	Board Action: None

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Victoria Kelly, Chief Executive Officer, of Redwood Community Services (RCS) provided brief information about staffing updates and provided documents to the members to inform them about a grant for employee education opportunities, hiring bonuses, and scholarships.</li> <li>• Brian Erickson, Operations Director, of Tapestry Family Services (TFS), made a comment informing the locations and the services provided started a couple of weeks ago to travel to Covelo.</li> <li>• Member Donegan suggested bringing this issue to the agenda since we are the last city not enforcing quality of life. He commented that working on the streets we find no other way but to cite people or put them in jail when in all reality they need help or peer counseling.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>4.</b> 30 minutes</p>	<p><b>Board &amp; Committee Reports:</b> <i>Discussion and Possible Action.</i></p> <p>A. Vice Chair – <i>Perri Kaller</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- AB 817 Updates: Nothing from AB817 yet. Nothing to report.</li> </ul> <p>B. Chair – <i>Vacant</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- N/A</li> </ul> <p>C. Secretary/Treasurer – <i>Jo Bradley</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Measure B Update – Nothing to report. No Measure B meeting happened to report on. Other than this point Supervisors have not used the loan, and they will borrow it unless is necessary and they will know in the next 18 months.</li> </ul> <p>D. Appreciation Committee – <i>Member Martinez</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Nothing to report</li> </ul>	Board Action: None
	<p>E. Contracts Committee – <i>Vice Chair Kaller, Member Behringer</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Nothing to report.</li> </ul> <p>F. Membership Committee – <i>Vice Chair Kaller, Member Behringer</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Nothing to report.</li> </ul> <p>G. Public Comment Follow-Up Committee – <i>Member Martinez and Shipp</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Nothing to report.</li> </ul> <p>H. Site Visit Committee – <i>Chair Kaller, Member Behringer &amp; Martinez</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Nothing to report.</li> </ul> <p>I. CIT Committee – <i>Member Gorny</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Committee met but is having trouble getting officers to attend.</li> <li>- There was a discussion on the current state of the committee and the current state of the training.</li> </ul> <p>J. Tribal Advisory Committee – <i>Member Martinez</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Nothing to report</li> </ul> <p>K. Nomination Committee – <i>Member Gorny</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Nothing to report</li> </ul>	
<p><b>5.</b> 20 minutes</p>	<p><b>Data Book-</b> <i>Vice Chair Kaller, Member Behringer.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Has already been submitted and approved, with the exemption of correcting the table of contents and sending out a PDF.</li> </ul>	Board Action:. None

<p><b>6.</b> 25 minutes</p>	<p><b>Public Comments Hearing for Native Warm Line – Rena Ford, Acting Staff Services Administrator.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr Miller, Director of Behavioral Health, stated that all questions will be taken, and they can still speak, but she will ensure that she does not say anything other than "done this." She will let us speak, so we can open it up and ask questions, but they cannot respond. Rena Ford, Acting Staff Services Administrator, reminded everyone that this is a public hearing for the Native Warm Line forum, an innovation project designed to reach the Native American community. She also mentioned that the warm line will consist of peer services with the ability to provide culturally appropriate triage services. The goal is to address the way the Native American community is traditionally underserved in terms of crisis-level services. The project is already underway, and Rena is hopeful that it will go through without any issues as they transition to Proposition 1.</li> <li>- The public comment period ends on April 27th, but stakeholders can still provide comments until April 29<sup>th</sup> which is a Monday. If you have a comment or questions regarding the innovation plan, please indicate it in an email to Fordre@mendocinocounty.gov.</li> </ul>	<p>Board Action:</p>
<p><b>7.</b> 20 minutes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>MHSA 3 Year Plan 2023-2026- Karen Lovato, Acting Deputy Director and/or Rena Ford, Acting Staff Services Administrator</b></li> <li>- The MHSA fund is being funded by a 1% tax on the income of individuals who have earned over a million dollars. The program is shaped by its stakeholders and community voice. The MHSA program has several sub-components and is regulated by budget requirements.</li> <li>- MHSA helps people in the community with different components, including helping kids in school and providing necessary support.. There have been changes in the program, including adding new programs and reducing others.</li> </ul>	<p>Board Action: Motion made by Member Bradley seconded by Member Donegan to open up the 30 day public comment for MHSA 3year plan Motion passes Unanimously</p>
<p><b>8.</b> 20 minutes</p>	<p><b>SB43 And Prop 1 – Jenine Miller, BHRS Director</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr. Miller, Director of Behavioral Health, explained there are currently about 50 initiatives in progress in the behavioral health field. Dr. Miller proceed to talk about Proposition 1, which has raised a lot of questions. Some people have commented that we will have more money with Prop 1, but in reality will be receiving less money. With Prop 1, the State will now take 10% off the top of MHSA funds, instead of the previous 5%. This will change how much the state and county receive, and how much we must put into our service categories. Currently, we put 20-22% of MHSA funds into housing, but with Prop 1, we will be required to put 30% into housing. This means that we will have less money to put into community services and support, which currently receives 76% of funding. This funding is what allows us to meet all of our Full Service Partnership needs and additional funds for Medi-Cal billing.</li> </ul>	<p>Board Action: None</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- SB43 does not provide any additional funds, so the county must support more conservative with the funds they have. Counties are currently working to find a solution to the bed deficit for mental health patients, and admitting substance use patients will only exacerbate the problem, without a solution for more beds.</li> </ul>	
<b>9.</b> 10 minutes	<b>High Level Reporting for RFPs Process</b> – <i>Jenine Miller, BHRS Director</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr Miller, Director of Behavioral Health, explained the status of evaluating the submitted proposals is still ongoing.</li> <li>-</li> </ul>	Board Action: None
<b>10.</b> 3 Minutes	<b>Mendocino County Report</b> – <i>Jenine Miller, BHRS Director</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Director Report Questions – Reviewed with BHAB</li> <li>B. Psychiatric Health Facility Update – Provided update</li> <li>C. Staffing Update – Provided update</li> <li>D. Care Court – Provided update.</li> </ul>	Board Action:
<b>11.</b> 10 minutes	<b>Anchor Health Management Report</b> – Anchor Health Management Inc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Services Update: N/A</li> <li>B. Staffing Update: N/A</li> </ul>	
<b>12.</b> 3 Minutes	<b>Member Comments:</b> Member Lockart asked how the supreme court ruling could impact people who sleep outdoors.	
<b>13.</b> 2 minutes	<b>Adjournment</b>	Board Action: Motion made by Member Donegan seconded by Member Gorny to adjourn the meeting. Motion passes; meeting adjourned 3:34pm

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