

Plumas County Behavioral Health Commission Meeting
2/9/22 1 pm Plumas County Board of Supervisors' Room, Quincy, CA
Approved at 5/4/2022 meeting

STANDING ORDERS

Call to Order / Roll Call

- Call to Order: Tony Hobson called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm.
- Roll Call/Attendance:
 - Commissioners: Vicki Chestnut, Kendrah Fredricksen, Kevin Goss (arrived late)
 - County Staff: Dr. Tony Hobson, John Posch, Melody Bennett
 - County Counsel: Sara James
 - Public: Denise Pyper, Trish Foley (EPHC)

Additions to or Deletions from the Agenda

Removed items 1. C. and 2. D. (These were handled last month.)

Public Comment – Denise said thank you to everyone (but noted PCBH website needs updating).

ACTION AGENDA

1. Behavioral Health Commission

- a. Review and approve draft minutes of 1/5/22 – Adjustments were made, Kendrah moved to approve with changes, Vicki seconded, motion carried.
- b. Election of Officers – Keep current officers and add Kendrah as Secretary/Treasurer. Vicki moved to approve, Kevin seconded, motion carried.

2. Informational Announcements & Reports

- a. Commissioners Reports and Announcements – N/A
- b. Patients' Rights Advocate Report – Kendrah reported for Elizabeth McAllister. Elizabeth attended one good Treatment Team Meeting last month where issues were resolved.
- c. Secretary/Treasurer Report (Kendrah) – Kendrah said she is glad to be back.

3. Behavioral Health Department

- a. Director's Report (Dr. Tony Hobson) – Tony reported they are pretty short-staffed due to COVID; people are out 10 days at a time; they are filling gaps where they can. This is the worst they have been impacted since start of pandemic. They are still recruiting for therapists (both as a physical presence in the building and through telehealth providers in the state). They would like two full-time virtual therapists. They have hired a site coordinator for Chester Wellness Center and a couple of case managers (one has PHD in clinical psychology and experience with crisis work). They have hired two other support staff. Tony wrote a grant for Mental Health Student Services positions through COVID

funds for school-based MH services. The grant was approved: \$2.9 million over 4 years (remote services). There will be a full-time coordinator at schools to administer these services.

- b. Quality Assurance Improvement (Tony for Jessica M.) – Jessica is out sick. Tony reported that the Triannual meeting occurred. Plumas County has been on “enhanced monitoring” for a long time, but is close to being off this status.
- c. Behavioral Health Commission Information and Improvement – Vicki mentioned an email sent to some of the commissioners from someone with a last name of Lapp. Tony suspects this is spam and will have IT look into it.

Public Comment – None

Alcohol and Other Drug Advisory Board

- 1. **Action Agenda** – N/A
- 2. **Informational Announcements & Reports** – N/A
 - a. AOD Report – National Commission on Correctional Health Care came over the summer and reviewed many services, including at jail. An audit was done. PCBH is trying to receive accreditation. Tony is meeting with jail team to discuss how to meet the requirements. NCCHC should return next month to do a focused review. Tony is confident they can do this. They are seeing people individually through telehealth.
 - b. Quality Assurance Improvement – Jessica is out sick.

Public Comment – None

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned by chair, Goss, at 1:31 pm.

Next meeting: **March 2, 2022, Courthouse: Supervisors’ Board Room**, from 1 pm to 3 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kendrah Fredricksen, Secretary
Plumas County Behavioral Health Commission