



Tuolumne County Behavioral Health Advisory Board (Minutes of the meeting of June 5, 2024) **FINAL**

<u>2024 BHAB Membership</u>	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Ryan Campbell - BOS	Meeting Cancelled	✓	✓	✓	Meeting Cancelled	✓						
Anaiah Kirk – BOS Alt		E	E	E		E						
Cathie Peacock		E	✓	E		✓						
Elizabeth Marum		E	✓	E		E						
Jenn Salazar		✓	E	✓		✓						
Maureen Woods		✓	✓	✓		✓						
Marshall Romeo		---	✓	✓		✓						
Sherry Bradley		✓	E	✓		✓						
Terry Ann Garcia		✓	✓	✓		✓						
Valerie Shuemake		✓	E	✓		E						

Present = ✓ Absent = A Excused = E Virtual Attendance = V 9 MHAB Members, 1 BOS Alternate

<u>Tuolumne County Staff in Attendance</u>
Annie Hockett, Director – Health & Human Services Agency
Tami Mariscal, Director – Behavioral Health Department
Lindsey Lujan, Deputy Director – Behavioral Health Department
Pandora Armbruster, Administrative Assistant – Behavioral Health Department
<u>Others in Attendance</u>
Herb Tout, Community Member

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Behavioral Health Advisory Board Chair, Ryan Campbell, called the meeting to order at 4:06 pm. Seven members were present and accounted for at the time of roll call, completing a quorum for the Board. Those present were Ryan Campbell-District 2 Supervisor, Cathie Peacock, Jenn Salazar, Marshall Romeo, Maureen Woods, Sherry Bradley, and Terry Ann Garcia. Elizabeth Marum and Valerie Shuemake were excused from attending.

2. INTRODUCTIONS

The Behavioral Health Advisory Board members in attendance introduced themselves to all present.

Introductions were made by Tuolumne County staff in attendance, as follows: Tami Mariscal, Behavioral Health Director; Lindsey Lujan, Behavioral Health Deputy Director and Pandora Armbruster, Administrative Technician, Behavioral Health Department.

One community member was present but did not elect to introduce themselves.

3. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public may be heard on any item not on the Board's Agenda. A person addressing the Board will be limited to **three minutes**. Comments by members of the public on any item on the agenda will only be allowed during consideration of the item by the Board.

No public comments were received.

4. PUBLIC HEARING & FINAL COMMENT PERIOD: Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Annual Update FY 24/25 – Jenn Guhl, MHSA Agency Manager

Jenn Guhl, Behavioral Health Services Act Agency Manager, presented the final draft of the MHSA Annual Update FY24-25 to the group utilizing a PowerPoint Presentation (see attached). After providing an overview of the MHSA Annual Update FY 24/25, Jenn explained that this presentation is the culmination of the Open Comment Period and requested any final comments or questions be shared at this time.

Comments received were:

- Terry Garcia, Behavioral Health Advisory Board Member, expressed concern over Governor Newsom's proposed cuts to balance the California State budget and the possible impacts those cuts may have on the Behavioral Health Department.

Jenn Guhl, MHSA Agency Manager responded that Prevention and Early Intervention contractors future funding may be reduced by up to 50%. Tami Mariscal, Behavioral Health Director clarified that there is no indication at this time that any funding invested to date will be touched, but the Behavioral Health Department will be looking at future programs for viability and costs.

- Sherry Bradley, Behavioral Health Advisory Board Member, inquired about funding structure changes and the possible impact on available services, such as the cost of Enrichment Center and Lambert Drop In Center operations, as well as the additional staffing that may be required to manage new supportive housing obligations. She shared her deep concerns with the amount of work necessary to prepare for required implementations by January of 2025.

Lindsey Lujan, Quality Management Deputy Director informed the group that due to the Director's insight, many of the necessary integrations and the additional staffing needed has been slowly implemented over the last couple of years.

- Supervisor Campbell, Chairperson of the Behavioral Health Advisory Board, expressed his appreciation of Jenn's presentation. He showed concern regarding the Governor's budget and the millionaire's tax as those can be affected by the economy.

Tami Mariscal replied that Wendy Hoffman-Brady, Health & Human Services Deputy Director, monitors sales tax trends to anticipate and future issues specific to Mental Health Services funding. According to the last predictions, funding did not appear to be negatively impacted.

As no other comments or questions were posed, Jenn Guhl, MHSA Agency Manager closed the open comment period which concluded the Public Hearing portion of the meeting.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Sherry Bradley and seconded by Marshall Romeo to approve the April 3, 2024, Behavioral Health Advisory Board Meeting Minutes as presented. The motion passed.

(Ayes: 6 – Supervisor Campbell, Jenn Salazar, Marshall Romeo, Maureen Woods, Sherry Bradley, and Terry Ann Garcia. Abstentions: 1 – Cathie Peacock Nays: 0 Members Absent: 2 – Elizabeth Marum and Valerie Shuemaker)

6. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Tami Mariscal, Behavioral Health Director

Tami Mariscal, Behavioral Health Department Director, delivered information on the Crisis Care Mobile Unit Grant and the Mobile Crisis Medi-Cal Benefit. A written copy of that report is included within these minutes.

The group discussed the information shared with the report.

Sherry Bradley inquired whether it would be possible to tour the recently purchased property on Parrotts Ferry Road. Those in attendance suggested that the next meeting be held at the property if possible. County staff discussed the logistics of a tour and Tami will pursue ideas to see if the department can make this tour happen.

Cathie Peacock left the meeting @ 5:15 pm

7. NEW BUSINESS

- Determine next steps for pending application for appointment to the Behavioral Health Advisory Board:

After discussion, it was agreed that Advisory Board members will contact new applicants directly to explain the Behavioral Health Advisory Board's role and obligations, and to encourage attendance to monthly meetings. The group agreed that Sherry Bradley will reach out to Melody Roberson. Terry Garcia will reach out to Claudette de Carbonel, and Marshall Romeo will contact Mystery Bradford. Results of those interactions will be shared at an upcoming meeting.

Pandora Armbruster, Administrative Support, will email contact information for pending applicants to the members identified above.

- Discuss and take possible action to amend the date of the upcoming July 3, 2024, Behavioral Health Advisory Board Meeting to assure quorum requirements are met:

After discussion and a poll of Behavioral Health Advisory Board members, it was determined that there would be no reason to change the normal meeting date for July 2024, as those members available to attend would meet quorum requirements.

The group discussed the number of seats set aside for the Behavioral Health Advisory Board and the benefit of limiting those seats to eleven vs. fifteen. As BHAB Bylaws and Welfare Institutions Code allow for seated members to be counted for quorum purposes only, new applications for membership will be reviewed closely to assure correct percentages of community members vs.

consumers, and family members are maintained. Additionally, future requirements assuring substance use disorder representation will be necessary.

8. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS:

Sherry Bradley, Behavioral Health Advisory Board Member, shared two written reports with the group, the Quality Improvement Council (QIC) Meeting Report and the California Association of Behavioral Health Boards and Commissions (CALBHBC) Quarterly Meeting Report. A copy of the reports will be included within these minutes.

The group discussed the importance of attending outside meetings to educate themselves on the department's business and processes as well as upcoming changes to program and funding that may impact the department. Sherry recommended that the group avail themselves of Behavioral Health Transformation Listening Sessions sponsored through CALBHBC. Links are provided through the newsletters which are shared with BHAB members via email as they come out.

Maureen Woods, Behavioral Health Advisory Board Member, relayed that she recently attended the Mental Health Awareness Month Celebration at the end of May at the Enrichment Center. She enjoyed the interaction between community members and staff. She enjoyed getting to know everyone better.

Maureen Woods and Marshall Romeo are working on developing a speaker for the September 2024 Meeting. A suggestion was made to reach out to the Executive Director of Tuolumne Me-Wuk Indian Health Center to see if they may be interested in presenting. Tami will reach out to Me-Wuk to gain more information on who would be best to contact to solidify arrangements before September's Meeting.

Jennifer Salazar reported on recent issues regarding the closure of several unsheltered camps and the County's clean up and relocation efforts. The group discussed challenges surrounding unsheltered encampments and new ordinances going into effect.

10. NEXT MEETING

Supervisor Campbell recapped next meeting details and shared that he would be working directly with the Behavioral Health Director to determine whether a visit to the newest Behavioral Health property would be feasible.

The group discussed upcoming Behavioral Health Advisory Board agenda items, such as Site Visits and the setting of annual Key Goals and Objectives. Sherry Bradley also brought up the need to modify the current Behavioral Health Advisory Board Bylaws to align with upcoming changes to the Welfare and Institutions Code.

Marshall Romeo would like to hear more about the department's Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and gender Expression (SOGIE) data collection efforts. Director Mariscal explained that the information gathered could be reported out on at a future meeting. She noted that SOGIE data would need to be scrubbed to assure privacy.

The next regular Tuolumne County Behavioral Health Advisory Board meeting is scheduled for July 3, 2024, at 4:00 pm. Detailed meeting information will be provided on the July 3, 2024, Behavioral Health Advisory Board Meeting Agenda.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The June 5, 2024, Behavioral Health Advisory Board meeting was adjourned at 6:35 pm.