



County of Orange Behavioral Health Advisory Board

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Wednesday, March 23, 2022
9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Meeting Location:
Zoom Teleconference Meeting

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Matthew Holzmann

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Lauren Deperine

Karyl Dupee, LMFT

Mara James

Stephen McNally

Kristen Pankratz, MSW

Courtney Smith

Jim Taylor

Duan Tran, MSW

Frederick Williams, LMFT

Members Present: Karyl Dupee, Matthew Holzmann, Stephen McNally, Kristen Pankratz, Duan Tran, Mara James, Jim Taylor

Members Absent: Lauren Deperine, Supervisor Doug Chaffee, Nita Tewari, Courtney Smith, Fred Williams,

Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Matt Holzmann who then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome and Introductions

- Each member introduced themselves via roll call.

Approval of Minutes

- February 23, 2022
 - Matthew Holzmann made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 23, 2022, meeting and Frederick Williams seconded the motion with no corrections. The minutes were approved for the record. Yes 9 /0 No.

Public Comment

- Jim Farrel-
Mr. Farrel expressed concern with regulations inside residential rehabilitation centers and Board and Care sites. He noted that those with a co-occurring diagnosis who act out due to their diagnosis are often not allowed back to residential rehabilitation centers or board and care sites and have a hard time finding a new place to live.
- Chase Wickersham-
Mr. Wickersham commended the Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) for drafting a letter to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) in support of an outreach and support program for older adult veterans. He noted the need for this program due to the high suicide rate of older males, many who may be veterans.
- Max Lopez-
Mr. Lopez from Children's Cause of Orange County had a brief power point that provided information on children with mental health conditions and noted areas where the public needs more information about children's mental health and Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) funding.



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HEALTH CARE AGENCY

**Veronica Kelley, Ph.D.,
Chief**

Mental Health & Recovery Services

**Annette Mugrditchian, LCSW
Director of Operations**

Mental Health & Recovery Services

**Karla Perez
Staff Specialist**

Mental Health & Recovery Services

- Michael Arnot-
Mr. Arnot noted that there is a lack of awareness of existing mental health along with a limited treatment capacity for children with a mental health condition and expressed the need for an opportunity for more collaboration.
- Christine Tolbert-
Ms. Tolbert a member of the CalOptima Member Advisory Committee, announced that they are recruiting for committee members. She uploaded the application to the chat with permission and noted the differing areas where they have openings including behavioral health.

MHRS Chief's Report – Dr. Veronica Kelley

- Dr. Kelley noted: in addition to the senior home apartments, an additional 8 more units were added at Mountain View Apartments (MHSA units) located in Lake Forest. Office of Suicide Prevention, they are including a bigger focus on veterans addressing prevention and mental health awareness. There are a lot of suicide prevention and mental health stigma activities going on in collaboration with various agencies in the community. The project with Angels Baseball is very important to in suicide prevention efforts, especially when looking at the highest risk population for suicide, to include youth, youth of color, and the elderly. Dr. Kelley expressed the need to spend MHSA funding in a way that makes sense and has performance outcome measures attached to them. In addition, HCA is applying for behavioral health continuum infrastructure program dollars, the first batch is \$10 million one time only dollars with very specific requirements. Furthermore, planning to build out the Irvine campus for the Be Well, to include a crisis stabilization unit for adults and youth, residential substance use disorder treatments that are lacking in the southern part of our county. Dr. Kelley talked about Care Court, which is putting \$1.5 billion that was originally identified for behavioral health transitional housing and now shifted to go to the courts for those with a schizophrenia spectrum disorder or other psychotic disorder. Dr. Kelley offered to provide a presentation at a later date. AB 552, one that has been co-sponsored by the California Behavioral Health Director's Association (CBHDA), which establishes the integrated school based behavioral health partnership collaboration between schools and County Behavioral Health agencies to provide services in the schools. There are two bills going forward for \$100 million, AB 2786 and the other is a budget ask from Seneca to develop a children's crisis continuum pilot for Medi-Cal eligible youth.

Old Business

- Steve McNally asked to include all requests for HCA staff under old business on the agendas moving forward.



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New Business

Recommended Presentation/ Meeting Changes – Steve McNally would like to align this board with the best practices of the California Behavioral Health Boards and Commissions (CALBHB/C) to have the BHAB be more aligned with how the BOS operates their meetings. In doing so, it would include having the agenda be set at an earlier date, providing members with deadlines to allow for more participation, obtain information on Agenda Staff Reports for HCA, using Robert’s Rules of Order for future meetings, and it is important that we create a safe environment for county contracted to voice their concerns with out any repercussions. In addition, the BHAB would like more community participation and become involved more in community events to meet with community members through outreach such as that of the Swallows Parade. Matt Holzmann provided an update on the Swallows Parade. He asked the board members to share any upcoming events where the BHAB can attend and provide resources.

Letter of Support for Veterans Project: Matthew Holzmann read the letter of support for veteran’s projects out loud and asked for a discussion. Kristen expressed her support for the letter and offered to speak during public comment at a future BOS meeting. Chairman Chaffee appreciated the thoughts involved in the letter and mentioned if there is funding requests for the proposed projects on the letter, that they be agenized through the County for a BOS meeting. Members of the BHAB expressed their support for the letter. Matthew Holzmann made a motion for their vote in support to move forward with providing this letter of support for Veterans Project to the Board of Supervisors, the motion was seconded by Jim Taylor. The BHAB voted via roll call, with 8 yes/ and 0/No.

Name	Yes	NO	Abstain
Supervisor Doug Chafee	y		
Lauren Deperine			
Karyl Dupee, LMFT	y		
Matthew Holzmann	y		
Mara James	y		
Stephen McNally	y		
Kristen Pankratz, MSW	y		
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MHSA Public Hearing: The BHAB was reminded of the upcoming MHSA Public Hearing for the MHSA Plan Update FY 22/23, taking place on May 25, 2022. The members discussed hosting this meeting in the evening to allow for more community participation.

Identifying Behavioral Health Major Events: Matthew Holzmann asked board members to share of any behavioral health related events in the community where the BHAB can be included and host an exhibit booth to have resources and information on the BHAB.

Committee Reports

Executive Committee – Matthew Holzmann, Steve McNally and Duan Tran noted that they meet periodically and had discussed the idea of holding a town hall meeting.

Older Adult Ad Hoc Committee – Karyl Dupee noted that their group continues working on following the master plan on aging and exploring how to include mental health needs into the plan. In addition, the group is discussing ways to go before the BOS to ensure that their concerns are heard.

SUD System of Care- Steve McNally stated they are learning a lot about SUD currently. Matthew Holzmann stated that there is not enough Narcan in the community to meet the need.

Updates and Presentations:

Presentation

Presentation MHSA FY 22/23 Plan Update

By Anthony Le, Orange County Health Care Agency

Anthony Le gave an update on the revenue for MHSA funds. He went over the FY 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022- 23 budgets for all MHSA components and included the approved budgets, any proposed changes, the reasons for the changes and any highlights each of the components.

Matthew Holzmann noted that he would like to see outcome data linked to the spending and a summary of the budget changes. Karyl Dupee agreed that more information is needed, but she appreciates that there is more funding available. Steve McNally gave feedback on how other counties present their budget information to make it more accessible.

Adjournment

- The meeting adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

Officially submitted by: Karla Perez

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