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UNADOPTED MINUTES
From the
Behavioral Health Commission Meeting
Wednesday, January 19, 2022
6:05 PM – 8:09 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Geoffrey Grier called the Roll Call

COMMISSIONER'S PRESENT: Carletta Jackson-Lane (she/her/hers), Harriette S. Stevens (she/her), Bahlam Javier Vigil (they/them/theirs), Stephen Banuelos, Terezie (Terry) Bohrer, RN, MSW, CLCN, Toni Parks (she/her), Judith Klain (she/her), Kescha S. Mason (she/her), Genesis Vasconeze (she/her), Lisa Williams (she/her)

COMMISSIONER'S ABSENT:

BHS STAFF PRESENT: Hillary Kunins, Director, Behavioral Health Services

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REPRESENTATIVE: Ahsha Safai not present

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC: Wynship Hillier, Liza Murawski (she/we), David Elliott Lewis (he/him), Arturo Salazar, Yasmin (CALBHC intern)

BHC STAFF: Geoffrey Grier (himnthem)

QUORUM: Established

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: Item 2.0 ACTION ITEMS moved in front of Item 1.3 COMMITTEE REPORT in order to allow for report from Hillary Kunins, BHS Director. Note that 3.6 is incorrect,

there is no vote and that Commissioner Vigil should remain as Vice-Chair and vote to approve the strategic plan as attached

- Commission voted on the Brown Act (AB 361) updated Telecommunication Resolution California Government Code Section 54953(e) empowers local policy bodies to convene by teleconferencing technology during a proclaimed state of emergency under the State Emergency Services Act. **Motion passed unanimously**

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Co-Chair Jackson-Lane also gave an exit speech, acknowledging Co-Chair Slota's resignation. Explained process in electing new officers and requesting leadership from the new commissioners and highlighting the accomplishments of the BHC and her own, as she terms out in January as well. Formerly introduce new commissioners; Lisa Williams (family members), Genesis Vasconez (professional) and Kescha Mason (consumer); Co-Chair Jasckon-Lane formerly announced the resignation of Ulash Dunlap and Idell Wilson, both rules seat commissioners

PUBLIC COMMENT – Wynship Hillier stated Commissioner Parks has finished term and has to sit out a year; David Elliott Lewis gave a historic overview of Commissioner Slota's work on the BHC

ITEM 1.0 BHS Directors Report by Hillary Kunins Director, Behavioral Health Services: Dr. Kunins thanked Co-Chairs Slota and Jackson-Lane for their service, then discussed work under Prop C and Mental Health SF. Spoke on tenderloin response team and how DPH has been involved. Discussed the state of emergency declared by Mayor Breed with particular focus on overdose deaths. The department is working closely with service providers and community services. Announced the opening of the Tenderloin linkage center, operates from 8am to 8pm with hopes of expanding service to 24 hours.

1.2 PUBLIC COMMENT – Wynship Hillier stated the purpose of BHC is to review process and that the Director of BHS is an enemy of the constitution and Lisa Murowski asked several questions about staffing and ability of BHS to provide adequate services

1.3 Reports from the Committees – Co-Chair Jackson-Lane explained the structure of the committees and chairs, also what will happen during voting

Implementation Committee, Chair Carletta Jackson-Lane, JD

Develop strategy to gain more BHC commissioners and discussed strategic plan

Site Visit Committee, Co-Chair Jackson-Lane

Update on Site Visit strategy and successful site visit report, the Felton Institute

Bylaws Revision Ad Hoc Committee, Chair Bahlam Javier Vigil –

Report on the Bylaw progress

Strategic Planning Ad Hoc Committee, Commissioner Bohrer –

Urge the commissioners to approve the current draft of the Strategic Plan – see attached below

Recruitment Ad Hoc Committee, Chair Stephen Banuelos – update on site visit plans

Nomination Ad Hoc Committee, Commissioner Bohrer –

Put forth a slate for Co-Chairs 2022-2024, did not fill Vice-Chair seat and split duties of Secretary for 6 months

PUBLIC COMMENT: Wynship Hillier states that that minutes does not report complete datil of the item passed

ITEM 2.0 ACTION ITEMS

Approved the minutes of the Behavioral Health Commission meeting of October 20, 2021 as amended; approve the minutes of November 17, 2021 meeting as amended to reflect revised version; motioned by Commissioner Vigil and seconded by Commissioner Bohrer for both to be moved to February BHC meeting; **passed by roll call vote**

2.1) BHC to vote on resolution proposed by Commissioner Vigil; consolidating with Resolution (MHB 02-2019) authored by Liza Murowski Urging the San Francisco City and County, Mayor, Board of Supervisors, The Departments of Public Health, and Homelessness and Supportive Housing to Invest Funds To Improve The Standard and Quality of Behavioral Health Services Provided by The City and County of San Francisco to Improve Equitable Access, Services Quality, and Facility and Staff Standard and Improve Departments Oversight and Quality Control Infrastructure – see pasted below; motioned by Commissioner Klain, seconded by Commissioner Parks; passed unanimously

2.2) Status of Bylaws – the most recent version coming out of the executive committee meeting has been forwarded on to city attorney for review - Bylaws Revision Ad Hoc Committee, Chair Bahlam Javier Vigil - **see pasted below**

PUBLIC COMMENT: Wynship Hillier minutes do not report minutes correctly, item 2.3 does not report items passed; adoption of minutes without changes as listed by him would result in violation of Brown Act - David Elliot Lewis wanted support all resolutions

ITEM 3.0 ACTION ITEMS – actually listed as Item 2 - discussion

PUBLIC COMMENT: Liza Murowski stated hippa violations and a series of other violations; Wynship Hillier states cases cited by Liza Murowski have no standing here is this meeting

ITEM 4.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, PEOPLE OR ISSUES HIGHLIGHTED BY BHC – Commissioner Vigil stated that many people are moving out of tent cities (safe sleeping sites) due closure. Many clients are afraid of being relocated to SIP hotels

ITEM 5.0 PUBLIC COMMENT - None

FINAL PUBLIC COMMENT – Wynship Hillier stated he wanted to object to public comment being referred to a final “burning desire”, he further states that he does not like reference to public comment being referred to as final public comment

Adjournment – meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm

Minutes prepared by Geoffrey Grier, Executive Director, BHC