



COLUSA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Meeting was held on

February 11th, 2025

At Colusa County Department of Behavioral Health

Room 102

162 E. Carson St., Colusa, CA 95932

and via Zoom

1. Meeting was called to order at 3:11pm
2. Establish Quorum
 - a. Board Members in attendance: Walter Osbourn, Rob Wilson
 - b. Board Members not in attendance: Alfred Sellers Jr, Jesse Marquez
 - c. ***Quorum not established***
3. Meeting Participants:
 - a. Behavioral Health staff in attendance: Jeannie Armstrong, Mayra Puga, Tony Hobson, Heather Bullis-Cruz, Chris Houston
 - b. Others in attendance: Merced Corona, Colusa County Board of Supervisor Manuel Fletes Medina, California Association of Behavioral Health Board and Commission
4. Public Comment:
 - a. None.
5. Old Business:
 - a. None.
6. New Business:
 - a. None.
7. Action Items:
 - a. None.
 - i. January minutes unable to be approved without a quorum



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- ii. November meeting minutes were unavailable for review and will be brought forth during March's meeting.

8. MHSA Update:

- a. Ms. Puga reported she had two additional MHSA Stakeholder meetings since the Advisory Board last met. One was held on 1/30 at the Williams Library but unfortunately there were no attendees. The second was held yesterday (2/10) at Behavioral Health and there were 5 attendees; 1 Behavioral Health staff, 2 Public Health staff, 1 Health and Human Services staff, and 1 County Board of Supervisor. During and after the MHSA presentation, there were questions regarding the different programs and their functions, but there were no specific requests for funding or mention of community needs. The final MHSA Stakeholder meeting will take place via zoom on 2/28 at 4pm.
- b. Safe Haven Report: Ms. Puga reported that Safe Haven's vacant position of Peer Support Specialist has been filled by Paul B., who used to previously work at the center. Mr. Wilson stated that he was happy, impressed, and pleased with the staffing currently at Safe Haven. Ms. Puga shared a flyer for their upcoming Valentines party this Friday where we will be enjoying a pizza lunch and learning about different Love Languages.
- c. Bright Vista Report: Bright Vista still remains closed as we are short staffed. The County Human Resources Dept. has flown the two vacant part-time Peer Support Specialist positions. We are hopeful to have those filled soon. Mr. Wilson mentioned that he had some concerns with Bright Vista being closed and he would like to see it reopen.

9. Director's Report:

- a. Dr. Hobson informed the Advisory Board that one year ago Behavioral Health presented to our County Board of Supervisors regarding the 40 state initiatives county behavioral health plans have been tasked with. For example, Mobile Crisis which was to go live 7/1/24, and Jail In-reach which was to go live 10/1/24. Dr. Hobson explained that services that are available at the clinic also need to be available at the jail. CCBH has attended conferences last year to learn more about best practices in the jail and how to obtain National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCCHC) Accreditation. Our team is moving forward with efforts of creating policies and procedures to align with accreditation. Over the next



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year we will refine our practices in the jail to reflect our P&Ps and hopefully gain accreditation in one year.

- b. Rancho Colus seems to be nearing completion and will be move-in ready in a couple of weeks. Dr. Hobson reported that there are 15 spots for our Full Service Partner clients and those spots are all about filled. Mr. Osbourn said, "I think it went live yesterday" and explained that a member informed him of obtaining certification of occupancy. We are excited for clients and community members to finally be able to move in.

10. Program Integrity:

- a. Mrs. Bullis-Cruz reported on the month of January regarding data for both Mental Health (MH) and Substance Use Disorder (SUD) intakes. This data includes the timeliness of appointments, the number of "Shows", "Cancellations", and "No Shows", and the count of clients who needed an interpreter. Mrs. Bullis-Cruz stated that for MH intakes and for SUD intakes, we had an increase in services for January. "We are doing well to reach parity for our Hispanic/Latino/a population. Our average wait time for MH intakes is next to nothing" said Mrs. Bullis-Cruz.

11. Quality Assurance:

- a. Mrs. Rojas was out but emailed her data before today's meeting. The data included the month of January and December for comparison purposes. Mrs. Armstrong reported out the information and asked if there were any questions. There were no questions about the data, however Dr. Hobson provided an explanation regarding a data point that was unavailable. Discussion was had regarding CCBH's electronic health record and some of the issues the department has been having regarding customer service, response time to resolve issues, and lack of data reporting. Dr. Hobson mentioned that CCBH is doing their homework in talking with other counties about other vendors of electronic health records, and if the time comes for CCBH to make a change then more discussion will be had in detail with the Advisory Board.

12. PRA Report:

- a. Mrs. Houston stated that, "grievances for Colusa County have been delightfully slow". Last quarter there were three grievances, but all have been resolved and closed. Mrs. Houston also mentioned that last week there was a 5150 hearing that she conducted via Zoom with a client. It went well with CCBH staff's support.



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13. Chairperson's Report:

- a. No report.

14. Board of Supervisor Report:

- a. Supervisor Corona stated that there have been no complaints about Behavioral Health, and he is happy with Dr. Hobson's fabulous work.

15. Adjournment – This meeting was adjourned at 3:32pm

Next meeting scheduled for: March 11th, 2025

Minutes completed by: Jeannie Armstrong