

DPBH COMMISSION ON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
Annual Governor's Letter Subcommittee Meeting

MINUTES  
April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020  
8:30 AM

MEETING LOCATIONS:

In accordance with Governor Sisolak's Declaration of Emergency Directive 006; Subsection 1; The requirement contained in NRS 241.023 (1)(b) that there be a physical location designated for meetings of public bodies where members of the public are permitted to attend and participate is suspended.

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COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Lisa Durette, M.D., (Phone), Tabitha Johnson, (Phone), Debra Scott, (Phone), Jasmine Troop, LCPC (Phone)

COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED:

Barbra Jackson, Lisa Ruiz-Lee, Asma Tahir, Natasha Mosby, Dr. Melanie Crawford

Carson City:

Joseph Filippi, DPBH (Phone); Rex Gifford, DPBH (Phone)

Sparks:

Nobody Present due to Governor Sisolak's Declaration of Emergency Directive 006

Las Vegas:

Nobody Present due to Governor Sisolak's Declaration of Emergency Directive 006

Phone:

Julie Slabaugh, AG; Steve Wood, DPBH; Laura Adler, DCFS; Dr. Leon Ravin, Statewide Psychiatric Medical Director

Chair Durette called the subcommittee meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Roll call is reflected above. It was determined that a quorum was present.

**Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

### **Approval of the 2019 Annual Governor's Letter per NRS 433.314**

Roll call was taken, and a subcommittee quorum was verified.

Chair Durette stated that a draft was not created yet because Chair Durette was missing some pieces for the letter, specifically the contribution from Lisa Ruiz-Lee regarding innovation and capacity. There was some confusion when Mrs. Slabaugh asked to verify if a quorum was met. After clarification, the subcommittee members were present and represented a quorum.

Chair Durette varied that she had the children's consortia and stated she had all other contributions to the Annual Governor's Letter and texted Lisa Ruiz-Lee. Chair Durette asked Mrs. Slabaugh if the letter was able to be emailed to each member and have an electronic vote or would the committee have to convene again?

Mrs. Slabaugh informed Chair Durette that the committee would have to convene again to vote and reiterated that any vote would have to be in a public meeting.

Mr. Filippi said that if Chair Durette gathered all the necessary information for the Annual Governor's Letter and created a draft she could contact him to reschedule a meeting for a vote. Mr. Filippi reiterated that the three-day notice would still have to be followed, but because of the current COVID-19 restrictions it may be easier to schedule the next meeting.

Mrs. Scott wondered if the letter could be approved, as drafted by Chair Durette. Mrs. Slabaugh answered that since this is a subcommittee, even though all the Commission on Behavioral Health's Committee Members were listed, that the subcommittee members were in quorum and therefore they could vote. Chair Durette said that they have a quorum because she is in contact with Lisa Ruiz-Lee, one of the subcommittee members. Chair Durette asked Mrs. Slabaugh if, since there is a quorum with the subcommittee, would they be able to approve a draft of the Annual Governor's Letter as is. Mrs. Slabaugh replied that the subcommittee could because the agenda clearly says that this is a subcommittee meeting even though there are Commission on Behavioral Health Committee members listed and that this being a technical error would not violate the Nevada Open Meeting Law.

Chair Durette asked Debra Scott, subcommittee member, if she would like to make that a motion. Mrs. Scott moved that the subcommittee approve the Annual Governor's Letter from the Commission as edited by Chair Durette. The motion was seconded by Tabatha Johnson, subcommittee member.

Chair Durette asked if there was any further discussion about the Annual Governor's Letter then asked for the vote.

All members approved of the motion, non-opposed.

The subcommittee approved the Annual Governor's Letter as edited by Dr. Durette (Chair) to be presented to the full commission at the next Commission on Behavioral Health meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 for a full commission vote.

**Public Comment**

The DPBH Commission on Behavioral Health meeting was adjourned at 8:40 a.m.