

DIVISION OF PUBLIC AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
WASHOE REGIONAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH POLICY BOARD

Washoe County Complex, Central Conference Room, Building C

1001 East 9th Street,

Reno, Nevada 89512

October 16, 2018

10:30 a.m. to Adjournment

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Chuck Duarte, Chair

In Attendance: Dr. Stephanie Woodard, DPBH, Alexis Tucey, DHCFP, Lea Tauchen, Recovery PAC, Valerie Padovani, WPA, Robin Reedy, NAMI NV, Joanna Jacob, Ferrari Public Affairs

Introductions, Members of the Washoe Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board in Attendance:

Charles Duarte, Kevin Dick, Charmaane Buehrle, Sandy Stamates, J.W. Hodges, Wade Clark, Dr. Jeremy Matuszak,

Absent: Jennifer Delett-Snyder, Henry Sotelo, Sharon Chamberlain, Senator Julia Ratti, Dr. Kristin Davis-Coelho, Thomas Zumtobel

Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator: Dorothy Edwards

2. Public Comment: No public comment

3. Approval of minutes from meeting June 18, 2018 and July 16, 2018 – Board Members

Sandy Stamates stated she was not present at the July 16, 2018 meeting. June 18, 2018 minutes were approved, and the July 16, 2018 minutes were approved upon the revision of Ms. Stamates' attendance at the meeting.

4. Introduction of two new Board Members: Dr. Kristen Davis-Coelho and Thomas Zumtobel – Chuck Duarte, Chair

Chuck Duarte, Chair, introduced two new board members, Dr. Kristen Davis-Coelho and Thomas Zumbtobel, both were unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Duarte stated Dr. Davis-Coelho is the Administrator of the Renown Behavioral Health and Addiction Institute; and Thomas Zumtobel is the Vice President of Renown Population Health for the Renown Health System.

5. Status report on Triage Center Request for Quotation (RFQ) – Dorothy Edwards, Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator

Dorothy Edwards, Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator, stated the review panel will be meeting on October 23, 2018 and will be reviewing the applications, hearing a presentation by the applicants, and deciding. Ms. Edwards added the review panel represents a group of experts including representatives from Reno, Sparks, Washoe County, law enforcement, clinicians, and private agencies, etc. so there is a variety of representation. Chuck Duarte asked who approves the application and Ms. Edwards stated the RFQ panel generally is the selected agency; however, Ms. Edwards added the CHAB is the authorizing authority.

6. Review, discussion, and decisions regarding approval of Letter of Support for Community Health Alliance for Grant Application – Dorothy Edwards, Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator and Kevin Dick, Board Member

Chuck Duarte stated Community Health Alliance is applying to the Health Resources and Services (HRSA) as part of three-year grant application for federal support for the homeless and uninsured services that are provided to approximately 1,700 homeless individuals and approximately 9,000 uninsured individuals. Mr. Duarte added HRSA likes to see collaboration between different organizations and bodies so a letter of support from the board would be helpful.

Kevin Dick stated there is a draft letter of support which would be provided to Mr. Duarte to share with HRSA. Mr. Dick added the community is fortunate to have two Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) providing services so he personally supports endorsing Community Health Alliance. Sandy Stamates made a motion to approve the letter of support and J.W. Hodges seconded, motion carried.

7. Review and discussion of Annual Report due to Behavioral Health Commission – Board Members

Chuck Duarte thanked Dorothy Edwards for working on the draft of the annual report. Mr. Duarte added the annual report includes the behavioral health profile, recommendations that were submitted to the legislature, and strategies that may be implemented outside of the board's recommendations. Mr. Duarte stated the board has supported the Crisis Triage Center concept and will be moving forward with that concept as a BDR.

Dorothy Edwards explained the information provided in the annual report. Ms. Edwards stated the report includes the executive summary, board membership, and additional participants and legislators who have impacted the Washoe Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board. Ms. Edwards added she will incorporate comments made by board members, clean up the draft again, and send it to the members for their review prior to submitting it.

Ms. Edwards stated one section included in the annual report is the Regional Behavioral Health Needs where she described presentations from prior meetings and concerns that were expressed through the surveys conducted by former Washoe Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator, Sheila Leslie; as well as, information obtained from focus groups.

Dorothy Edwards stated there is a recommendations section which includes the additional Bill Draft Request (BDR) options the board came up with and did not choose for the BDR. Ms. Edwards added the regional priorities and strategies section includes issues the Washoe Behavioral Health Policy Board picked as priorities; for example, mobile outreach is important to the board, so she will include an explanation in the annual report. Ms. Edwards stated the plan is to continue to encourage the state to fund mobile outreach and community case managers which will be the strategy. Ms. Edwards added Chuck Duarte offered to provide information regarding targeted case management, 1915i, and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). Ms. Edwards asked the board members to provide input on a priority the board would like to promote, support, or change.

Wade Clark stated he would like to include supporting the Northern Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board's revisions to the NRS regarding legal holds because the revisions clarify information that would be helpful to REMSA, Renown, and law enforcement. Mr. Clark stated from a law enforcement perspective, there are thousands of calls in Reno that Reno Police Department cannot respond to. Mr. Clark added there's one case manager who serves Sparks and Reno and there is an increasing need for licensed counselors and case managers. Mr. Clark stated law enforcement is going to be spread thin and will not be as effective unless more staff are added. Chuck Duarte clarified that Mr. Clark would like to include ongoing funding support for the expansion of the Mobile Outreach Safety Team (MOST).

Chuck Duarte asked if the Northern Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board is still considering revisions to the NRS to allow for behavioral health transportation. A board member stated Jessica Flood, Northern Regional Behavioral Health Coordinator, implied the northern board is looking at NRS involving legal 2000s. The board member added the northern board is looking at extending Medicaid into funding a second ambulance trip for the rural areas especially because Medicaid only funds the primary transport but not the second trip which will be helpful for clients.

Dorothy Edwards stated she will expand the priorities and strategies section and send the board the updated copy, so members can provide additional input. Ms. Edwards added the annual report will be a public document and will be released once the final draft is complete. Ms. Edwards stated she will also include the Behavioral Health Profile that was completed by the board's intern as an attachment to the annual report. Ms. Edwards added the board should be expecting to hear back from the Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) in November regarding questions or what needs to be changed. Ms. Edwards stated at that point she will organize a teleconference, so the board can discuss the issues quickly. Ms.

Edwards stated she will be adding a comprehensive regional epidemiologic report created by the Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) to the annual report.

8. Discuss and decide dates for future meetings in 2018 – Board Members

Chuck Duarte suggested two topics of interest for future meetings. Mr. Duarte stated he would like to invite Dr. Stephanie Woodard to speak about funding available for Community Triage Centers (CTC) which will help the board work with the LCB to fine tune what will be asked in the Bill Draft Request (BDR). Mr. Duarte added the Department of Health and Human Services' (DHHS) budget will be public in November so he would like to invite a member of DHHS to speak to the board about behavioral health funding not only through DPBH but also key components that are enhancements to the Medicaid budget.

Dorothy Edwards stated Amber Howell, Washoe County Human Services Director, has offered to speak to the policy board regarding Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (NNAMHS) and answer questions. Ms. Edwards added November may be difficult to schedule a meeting that coincides with Dr. Woodard, Ms. Howell, and a DHHS staff member's schedules. Ms. Edwards stated the board has traditionally held meetings on the third Monday of each month. Chuck Duarte stated November 19, 2018 is the third Monday of November; however, Sandy Stamates stated that is the beginning of Thanksgiving week, therefore it might be difficult for members to attend. Dr. Jeremy Matuszak motioned to approve November 26, 2018 as the next meeting date, Sandy Stamates seconded the motion, the motion carried.

Dorothy Edwards stated another topic to be added to the future meeting's agenda is new members Dr. Kristen Davis-Coelho and Thomas Zumtobel will provide an introduction of themselves since they were unable to attend today's meeting. A board member asked if there will be the CTC recipients provide information to the board about their plans. Ms. Edwards added all these topics may not be added to the next meeting's agenda due to time and coordination with everyone's schedules.

9. Public Comment

Kevin Dick stated October 15, 2018 was the due date for interns of the School of Community Health Sciences for 2019 so he put in a position announcement for an intern for the policy board again in 2019 and it is a Master's in Public Health internship.

10. Adjournment – Chuck Duarte, Chair