
**Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board
DRAFT MINUTES**

DATE: June 25, 2019 TIME: 1:00 p.m. to Adjournment

Meeting Locations:

Battle Mountain General Hospital
535 S Humboldt St
Battle Mountain, Nevada 89820

Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/753896081> +16699006833, Meeting ID: 753896081# US (San Jose)//+14086380968, Meeting ID: 753896081# US (San Jose)

Board Members Present: Fergus Laughridge, David Byun, Erika Ryst, Brooke O'Byrne, Elaine Zimmerman, Bryce Shields, Matt Walker, Lois Erquiaga

Board Member Absent: Jason Bleak, Jeri Sanders, Amy Adams, Pete Goicoechea

Staff and Guests Present: Valerie Cauhape, Coordinator; Michelle Sandoval; Cherylyn Rahr-Wood; several guests in attendance, unable to determine names

1. **Introductions, Announcements, and Roll Call**

Mr. Laughridge and Ms. Cauhape determined a quorum was met.

2. **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

3. **Approval of Minutes from April 23, 2019**

Ms. Erquiaga made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. O'Byrne seconded the motion; the motion carried with none opposed.

4. **Update Regarding 80th Nevada Legislative Session and Pertinent Bills**

Assembly Bill (AB) 47 makes an appropriation to the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department of Health and Human Services to establish a pilot program to address behavioral health crisis response in certain counties—Bill Draft Request (BDR) S-501.

AB 66 revises provisions relating to mental health (BDR 40-486)

AB 76 revises provisions relating to regional behavioral health policy boards (BDR 39-470)

AB 85 revises provisions governing mental health (BDR 39-443)

Ms. Cauhape gave an update on the four bills, explaining what each would provide. Mr. Laughridge added information. Ms. Cauhape reflected on lessons learned from the recent legislative session and how the Board can prepare for the next session.

5. **Approval of Proposed Dates and Times for Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board Meeting Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-2020**

Mr. Laughridge proposed dates for future meetings: August 27 and December 17, 2019;

February 25, April 28, and June 23, 2020. Ms. Ryst made a motion to approve the dates. Ms. O'Byrne seconded the motion. The motion passed with none opposed.

6. **Approval of 2019 Strategic Planning Retreat Dates and Locations**

Primary date option—Thursday, October 17, 2019, through Friday, October 18, 2019

Other options polled—

- Wednesday, October 16, 2019, through Thursday, October 17, 2019
- Thursday, October 10, 2019, through Friday, October 11, 2019
- Wednesday, October 23, 2019, through Thursday, October 24, 2019

Primary location option—Elko Police Department, 1448 Silver Street, Elko, Nevada

Mr. Laughridge suggested they approve the primary date option. Ms. Erquiaga moved to use the Elko Police Department location on October 17 to October 18, 2019. Ms. O'Byrne seconded the motion. Ms. Ryst noted she would not be able to attend. The motion carried without opposition.

7. **Update Regarding Strategic Planning Preparation Activities and Proposed Process**

Ms. Cauhape gave a presentation on planning, scheduling, and the agenda for the retreat.

8. **Update Regarding Strategic Available Behavioral Health Data**

Ms. Cauhape discussed the information needed or collected prior to the retreat.

9. **Statewide Zero Suicides Presentation**

Ms. Rahr-Wood gave a presentation and insight on the Statewide Zero Suicides project, showing the program's effectiveness in other states. She shared how the program works, the survey that will go out to providers, and the data that will be collected in its development. A Zero Suicide Academy may be held in February of 2020 at the Governor's Mansion in Carson City. A National Suicide Conference will be held October 16-17, 2019, in Las Vegas.

10. **Draft Board Website and Online Resource Guide**

A state website for the Board is in the works. They hope to have it completed by August. Parameters and guideline from the State will be used to develop it. It will include a resource guide for the public.

11. **Public Comment**

A member of the public commented on mental health, strengthening the partnership with community support agencies, and crisis response for children. Public Comment

12. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned.