

CALBHB/C Governing Board Minutes
June 18, 2021, 11:30 am
Zoom Teleconference

Governing Board Attendance: President Harriette Stevens, Ed.D. (San Francisco), VP Benny Benavidez (Imperial), Secty/Treas. Kristine Haataja (Napa), Bill Stewart (San Diego), Shera Banbury (Nevada), Supervisor Stacy Corless (Mono), Kylene Hashimoto (Fresno)

Absent: Stacy Dagleish (Los Angeles), Patrick Ogawa (Los Angeles)

Staff: Theresa Comstock, Executive Director

Meeting was called to order at 11:30 by President Harriette Stevens.

A. **Open Comment:** None made

B. **Minutes:** Benny made a motion to approve the May 21 Board Minutes; Bill seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

C. **Financial Reports:**

- Accounts Receivable: Collection of dues from all counties except Tri-Cities & Merced; 57 counties paid. Check received by MHSOAC.
- Financial Position: Current assets are \$152,307.
- Budget vs Actuals: Current income is over \$99,000, while Board expenditures are \$85,458, below the budgeted plan. We will come under budget on expenses for the fiscal year, because there hasn't been any travel this year. Interns are putting in hours but not as high as expected; they will continue during the summer and may be assigned additional duties.

Motion: Shera made a motion to accept the financials, and Benny seconded it. The motion passed unanimously.

D. **FY21/22 Budget**

Draft budget was shared, adjusted somewhat since last meeting. In anticipation of in person meetings, more money has been allocated to travel and conferences. Theresa will be attending meetings in more counties to strengthen our relationship after Covid. She believes that we need to have more focus on Superior Region, including engagement with eastern counties, such as Mendocino, Humboldt and Del Norte. If we do travel to areas not accessible by plane, travel costs are higher.

Theresa completed the proposal for the RFP to California Department of Corrections. We will consider other future RFPs as they are made public.

Motion: Shera made a motion to accept the budget, and Kristine seconded it. The motion passed unanimously.

E. **Appointment of Arturo Salazar (El Dorado County)**

Harriette and Theresa spoke with Arturo Salazar, after receiving his application Arturo is a clinical social worker in a non-profit and is interested in mental health advocacy. He is the chair of the El Dorado County Behavioral Health Commission.

Motion: Benny made a motion to approve the appointment of Arturo Salazar to the Governing Board, and Kylene seconded it. The motion passed unanimously.

Update: Since this meeting, Arturo resigned from the El Dorado County Behavioral Health Commission. President Stevens has rescinded the appointment to CALBHB/C's Governing Board.

F. Officer Elections (Term 7/1/2021 - 6/30/2022)

Slate of Nominees:

- President: Benny Benavidez
- Vice President: Bill Stewart
- Secretary-Treasurer: Kristine Haataja

Motion: Shera made a motion to elect the slate of officers, and Kylene seconded it. The motion passed unanimously.

G. By-law Update

- Addition of "Past President" to Executive Committee (Page 3 and 4)
- Update to GB Member "Duties & Responsibilities" (Page 4, Article V) to account for the assignment of duties to the Executive Director.
- Bylaws: Update Process (Page 5) Changed so that By-laws could be updated with 30 days advance notice to vote. When we update By-laws, we send changes to the State.

Motion: Shera made a motion to accept the changes in the By-laws, and Bill seconded it. The vote for this will occur at the July meeting.

H. Executive Director's Report

1) Legislative Update:

- AB32 (Telehealth) continues to move through the process and is in the Senate Health Committee.
- AB552 Integrated school-based behavioral health is now a 2-year bill.
- AB686 (Outcomes & Accountability) is now a 2-year bill.
- AB 816 (Homelessness Accountability) continues to move through committees.
- SB749 (Oversight, County Reporting) is now in the Assembly
- AB988 has been completely gutted by the author and sponsors. They wanted to get the bill through without any problems. By removing details it's easier to get a bill passed, but there isn't any substance to it. We will reconsider later whether to continue our support, or not.
- SB224 Pupil education passed Senate and is going to the Assembly Education Committee.

2) Statewide Collaboration:

CA Mental Health Advocates for Children (CMHACY) strongly requested that CALBHB/C increase the visibility and presence of individuals representing children & youth on Mental Health Boards. The Director believes that County Boards/Commissions should include children/ youth and/or those who care about children/youth.

Discussion ensued about the difficulty in recruiting and maintaining youth on County Boards/Commissions, and we agreed that requiring youth presence is not as feasible as

inviting their involvement and/or meeting attendance for input on specific issues. San Diego County is experimenting with having youth involvement.

Deputy Secretary of HHS met with Theresa. Both expressed interest in performance outcome data. Theresa told her about our interest in employment for people with behavioral health needs. Assistance was offered in increasing the attention of state agencies to this important topic.

Jane Adcock, Executive Officer for the CA Behavioral Health Planning Council (CBHPC) spoke with Theresa about management training recommendations. Theresa attended a meeting of the CBHPC Legislation Committee and was appalled at the inaccuracies in the information that was provided in the meeting packet.

- 3) Issue Brief: Transitional Age Youth (TAY) has been written and is being reviewed by members Bill Stewart, Kristine Haataja, and Kylene Hashimoto. Kylene recommended mentioning youth wellness centers and the Alcove-Stanford Model.

I. Upcoming Meeting/Training Schedule

1. Governing Board Meeting: July 16, 11:30 am (Teleconference)
2. Regional & Statewide CALBHB/C Meetings: The State is still finalizing requirements and recommendations for in-person meetings.

June 25, 2021	Regional CALBHB/C Meeting: 10 am - 12 pm Training: 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm)	Teleconference
July 30, 2021	Employment - Integrated Vocational/Mental Health Services	Teleconference
August or September (TBA)	Regional CALBHB/C Meeting & Training	In Person - Superior Region
October 23, 2021	Regional CALBHB/C Meeting	In-Person – Sacramento
October 24, 2021	Regional CALBHB/C Training	In-Person – Sacramento
November 5, 2021	Topic TBA	Teleconference
January 21, 2022	Regional CALBHB/C Meeting	In-Person – TBA
January 22, 2022	Regional CALBHB/C Training	In-Person - TBA

Meeting adjourned at 12:28