



Department of Health,
Housing & Community Services
Mental Health Commission

Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission Adopted Minutes – Regular Meeting

7:00 pm
North Berkeley SC 1901 Hearst

Regular Meeting
March 27, 2025

Members of the Public Present: Jonah Markowitz, Ian Hunt, Olga Bolotina

Staff Present: Jeff Buell, Jamie Works-Wright

1) Call to Order at 7:03 pm

Commissioners Present: Andrea Prichett, Monica Jones (7:05); Edward Opton, Glenn Turner, Maria Sol, Lisa Teague, Ashley Gu, Igor Tregub **Absent:** Ajay Krishnan

2) Preliminary Matters

a) Approval of the March 27, 2025 agenda

M/S/C (Sol, Tregub) Motion to approve the agenda with the changes to remove items 4 and 5, Interview and vote for new applicants, due to neither candidate being available for the meeting.

PASSED

Ayes: Gu, Opton, Prichett, Sol, Teague, Tregub, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None;

Absent: Jones, Krishnan,

b) Public Comment- 2 public comments

c) Approval of the February 27, 2025 Minutes

M/S/C (Turner, Teague) Motion to accept the minutes

PASSED

Ayes: Gu, Jones, Opton, Prichett, Sol, Teague, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** Tregub;

Absent: Krishnan

3) Review, Discuss and Actions regarding the By-Laws for Berkeley Behavioral Health Commission.

M/S/C (Prichett, Opton) Motion to bring back the by-laws next month with the new edits discussed in the meeting.

PASSED

Ayes: Gu, Jones, Opton, Prichett, Sol, Teague, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** Tregub;

Absent: Krishnan

- ~~4) Interview and vote for new applicant – Patricia Fontana-Narell – Cancelled~~
- ~~5) Interview and vote for new applicant – Maya Ezekiel – Cancelled~~
- 6) **Proposed Motion: Request City Council recommend local participation in local-based innovative behavioral health innovations – Bring back next month**
- 7) **Mental Health Manager’s Report and Caseload Statistics – provided by Jeff Buell – No Motion Made**
 - a) MHC Manager Report
 - b) Caseload Statistic March 2025
- 8) **Subcommittee Reports – Did not get to items**
 - a) **Membership Subcommittee – Discuss recruitment for Veteran’s and Education representative**
 - b) **Financial Subcommittee**
 - c) **Care Court Subcommittee**
 - d) **Evaluation Subcommittee**
 - i) **Discussion and Possible Action on Mental Health Commission Annual Report**
- 9) **Information concerning current Berkeley Behavioral Health services for children. - Did not get to items**
- 10) **Following five domestic violence homicides, San Mateo County launches co-response pilot. - Did not get to items**
- 11) **Adjournment - 9:00 PM**
 - M/S/C (Gu, Teague) Motion adjourn the meeting**
 - PASSED**
 - Ayes:** Gu, Jones, Opton, Prichett, Sol, Teague, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Krishnan Tregub

Minutes submitted by: _____
Jamie Works-Wright, Commission Secretary