



Department of Health,
Housing & Community Services
Mental Health Commission

Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission Draft Minutes – Regular Meeting

7:00 pm

North Berkeley SC 1901 Hearst

Regular Meeting

November 21, 2024

Members of the Public Present: Lisa Teague, Shirley Posey, Ann Hawkins, Ian D. hunt

Staff Present: Jeff Buell, Jamie Works-Wright

1) Call to Order at 7:10 pm

Commissioners Present: Edward Opton, Glenn Turner, Maria Sol, Ajay Krishnan;

Absent: Cecilia Lunaparra; Andrea Prichett, Monica Jones

2) Preliminary Matters

a) Approval of the November 21, 2024 agenda

M/S/C (Opton, Turner) Motion to approve the November 21, 2024 agenda.

PASSED

Ayes: Krishnan, Opton, Sol, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Jones, Lunaparra, Prichett

b) Public Comment- 1 public comments

c) Approval of the October 24, 2024 Minutes

M/S/C (Jones, Turner) Motion to accept the October meeting minutes

PASSED

Ayes: Krishnan, Opton, Sol, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Jones, Lunaparra, Prichett

3) Review and vote on dates for commission meetings for year 2025

a) Review potential dates for 2025

M/S/C (Opton, Turner) Motion to accept the meeting schedule as presented and the commission choose to omit the December meeting holiday and accept the 3rd Thursday in November (11/20/25)

PASSED

Ayes: Krishnan, Opton, Sol, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Jones, Lunaparra, Prichett

b) Review religious holidays for 2025 – No Motion Made

- 4) **Interview and vote on nomination of Lisa Teague to the Mental Health Commission M/S/C (Opton, Turner)** Move to nominate Lisa Teague to be accepted on the Mental Health Commission.
PASSED
Ayes: Krishnan, Opton, Sol, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Jones, Lunaparra, Prichett
- 5) **Review Commission by-laws and make any updates –** No motions made
- 6) **Discussion regarding the meeting with COB finance and Mental Health department – Report will be submitted by Monica and Glenn in January 2025**
- 7) **Mental Health Manager’s Report and Caseload Statistics – provided by Jeff Buell**
a. MHC Manager Report November
b. Caseload Statistic November 2024
- 8) **Subcommittee Reports**
a) **Checklist for scheduling subcommittee meetings –** No Motion Made
b) **Scheduling reports on subcommittee meetings—contents and timing**
c) **Membership Subcommittee**
i. **Update membership and recruitment plan**
M/S/C (Opton, Turner) Move to postpone the conversation about the by-laws and changes until January 2025.
PASSED
Ayes: Krishnan, Opton, Sol, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Jones, Lunaparra, Prichett
d) **Evaluation Subcommittee –** No motion made
ii. **Annual Report: Brainstorm items for inclusion in the report. Commissioners are invited to identify/write/suggest items that they would like to have included in this year’s annual report.**
e) **Care Court Subcommittee -** No motion made
- 9) **How can the MHC be most useful to BH and to City Council? –** No Motion Made
a) **Timing of information to be included in MHC meeting agendas**
- 10) **Adjournment – 8:58 PM**
M/S/C (Krishnan, Opton) Commission.
PASSED
Ayes: Krishnan, Opton, Sol, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Jones, Lunaparra, Prichett

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