



Department of Health,
Housing & Community Services
Mental Health Commission

Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission Drafted Minutes

7:00pm
Zoom Webinar

Regular Meeting
October 27, 2022

Members of the Public Present Andrea Prichett, Andrew Phelps, Rosina Keren, George Lippman, Sima Sardhara, Haley Goetting, Leslie Berkler, Moni Law, Otis Ward, Carole Marasovic, Heter Malvido, Lily Kung, Paul Kealoha-Blake

Staff Present: Jeff Buell, Jonathan Maddox, Lisa Warhuus, Jamie Works-Wright

1) Call to Order at 7:04pm –

Commissioners Present: Judy Appel, Margaret Fine, Monica Jones, Edward Opton (7:05), Mary Lee Kimber-Smith, Glenn Turner, **Absent:** Tommy Escarcega, Terry Taplin

2) Preliminary Matters

a. Approval of the October 27, 2022 Agenda

M/S/C (Appel, Kimber- Smith) Motion to approve the agenda

PASSED

Ayes: Appel, Fine, Jones, Opton, Kimber- Smith, Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None,

Absent: Escarcega, Taplin

b. Public Comment – 7 public comments

c. Approval of the September 22, 2022 Minutes

M/S/C (Kimber- Smith, Jones) Motion to approve the minutes

PASSED

Ayes: Appel, Fine, Jones, Opton, Kimber- Smith, Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None,

Absent: Escarcega, Taplin

3) SCU, Bridge & SCU public education and community engagement plan update– Dr. Lisa Warhuus

No Motion Made

4) Mental Health Resources & Services for Children & Youth provided by Division of Mental Health for the City of Berkeley

Presenter: Berkeley Mental Health Division CYF Program Supervisor, Jonathan Maddox, MFT with Commissioner discussion and public comment
No Motion Made

5) Youth Mental Health Subcommittee Report – Vice-Chair Monica Jones
No Motion Made

6) Commission Secretary Recognition for Distinguished Contribution to the Berkeley Mental Health Commission
No Motion Made

7) Review and Vote on Dates for Commission meetings for year 2023

a. Review potential dates for 2023

M/S/C (Jones, Appel) Motion to approve the calendar that has been set forth
PASSED

Ayes: Appel, Fine, Jones, Opton, Kimber- Smith, Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None,
Absent: Escarcega, Taplin

Motion to extend the meeting to 9:15

M/S/C (Appel, Jones) Motion to extend the meeting to 9:15
PASSED

Ayes: Appel, Fine, Jones, Opton, Kimber- Smith, Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None,
Absent: Escarcega, Taplin

8) Retreat Training Discussion for January 2023

M/S/C (Jones, Turner) Motion to change the January 26 meeting date to January 28th Saturday from 10 am to 2 pm and we will wait to hear from the council approval to meet in person but for now it will be on zoom.

PASSED

Ayes: Appel, Fine, Jones, Opton, Kimber- Smith, Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None,
Absent: Escarcega, Taplin

a. **M/S/C (Fine, Kimber-Smith)** Motion to set up a retreat sub-committee that includes Judy Appel, Glenn Turner, and Margaret Fine

PASSED

Ayes: Appel, Fine, Jones, Opton, Kimber- Smith, Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None,
Absent: Escarcega, Taplin

9) Stiavetti Case and Incompetency to Stand Trial – Commissioner Ned Opton
Tabled item for next meeting

10) Diversion Discussion and Possible Action – Commissioner Mary-Lee Kimber Smith

a. Diversion Discussion, including MHC presentation, 9/22/22, and related topics

b. Address Subcommittee Status

M/S/C (Kimber-Smith, Turner) Create a Diversion sub-committee chaired by Mary Lee Kimber-Smith staffed with Edward Opton, Glenn Turner and the meeting will be recorded

PASSED

Ayes: Appel, Fine, Jones, Opton, Kimber-Smith, Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None, **Absent:** Escarcega, Taplin

Move to extend the meeting for 5 more minutes to 9:30

M/S/C (Kimber-Smith, Appel) Motion to extend the meeting for 5 more minutes to 9:30

PASSED

Ayes: Appel, Fine, Jones, Opton, Kimber-Smith, Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None, **Absent:** Escarcega, Taplin

- c. Possible Resolution to Berkeley City Council about Care First Jails Last (including CARES Navigation Center) (see Agenda Packet)

M/S/C (Kimber-Smith, Fine) Motion to pass the resolution

PASSED

Ayes: Appel, Fine, Jones, Opton, Kimber-Smith **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None, **Absent:** Escarcega, Taplin, Turner

11) Mental Health Manger's Report -Did not get to item

- a. MHC Manager report September 2022
- b. MH Caseload stats August 2022

12) Adjournment – Motion to adjourn the meeting (9:16)

M/S/C (Opton, Kimber-Smith)

PASSED

Ayes: Appel, Fine, Jones, Opton, Kimber-Smith, **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Escarcega, Taplin, Turner

Minutes submitted by: _____

Jamie Works-Wright, Commission Secretary