



Department of Health,
Housing &
Community
Services
Mental Health
Commission

Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission Draft January Minutes

7:00 pm
North Berkeley SC 1901 Hearst

Regular Meeting
January 22, 2026

Members of the Public Present: Ann Hawkins, Steven Tupper

Staff Present: Jamie Works-Wright, Jeff Buell

1) Call to Order at 7:02 pm

Commissioners Present: Ajay Krishnan, Glenn Turner, Maria Sol, Lisa Teague, Patricia Fontana-Narell, Igor Tregub (7:12), Ian Hunt **Absent:** Ashley Gu,

2) Preliminary Matters

a) Approval of January 22, 2026, agenda

M/S/C (Krishnan, Hunt) Motion to approve the agenda.

PASSED

Ayes: Fontana-Narell, Hunt, Krishnan, Sol, Teague, Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None;
Absent: Gu, Tregub

b) Public Comment- 1 comment

c) Approval of November 20, 2025, minutes

M/S/C (Krishnan, Turner) Motion to approve the minutes.

PASSED

Ayes: Fontana-Narell, Hunt, Krishnan, Sol, Teague, Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None;
Absent: Gu, Tregub

3) Discussion about the Mental Health Commission Chair and Vice Chair elections, which will be held during February 26, 2026, Commission Meeting. – No Motion

4) Discussion regarding Hybrid meetings – Jamie – No Motion

5) Discussion and Vote to re-appoint Commissioner Edward Opton for his 3rd term.

M/S/C (Sol, Teague) Move that we vote Commissioner Edward Opton to be re-appointed for a 3rd term

PASSED

Ayes: Fontana-Narell, Hunt, Krishnan, Sol, Teague, Tregub, Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Gu

***M/S/C (Krishnan, Sol)** Motion to switch item 7 to 6 and move 6 down to 7

PASSED

Ayes: Fontana-Narell, Hunt, Krishnan, Sol, Teague, Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** Tregub; **Absent:** Gu

6) Mental Health Division Manager’s Reports – provided by Jeff Buell

- a) MH Division Manager Report
- b) Caseload Statistic January 2026

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

8) Discussion and Possible Action on Mental Health Commission Annual Report – Jamie will send commissioners examples from past years.

9) Ad-Hoc Reports – Discussion and vote to renewed and establish new Ad-Hoc committees - All Ad-Hoc Meetings have discontinued.

10) Adjournment –8:56PM

M/S/C (Krishnan, Hunt) Motion to adjourn

PASSED

Ayes: Fontana-Narell, Hunt, Krishnan, Sol, Teague, Tregub, Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Gu

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