



Department of Health,
Housing & Community Services
Mental Health Commission

Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission Minutes

Regular Meeting
September 26, 2019

1947 Center Street
7:00pm
Basement, Multi-Purpose Room

Members of the Public Present: Ellis Butterfield, Ron Jarekhye Covarrubias, Edward, Opton, Maria Moore, Ting Zhon (?)

Staff Present: Fawn Downs, Steve Grolnic-McClurg, Karen Klatt, Jamie Works-Wright & Tenli Yavneh.

1. Call to Order at 7:00pm

Commissioners Present: Erlinda Castro, boona cheema, Paul Kealoha-Blake, Andrea Prichett, Margaret Fine (Arrived 7:02), Shelby Heda (Arrived 7:02) Cheryl Davila (Arrived 7:09)

2. Preliminary Matters

A. Approval of the September 26, 2019 Agenda

M/S/C (Castro, Prichett) Motion to approve the July 25, 2019 Mental Health Commission Meeting Agenda – PASSED

Ayes: Castro, cheema, Kealoha-Blake, Prichett; **Noes:** None;
Abstentions: None; **Absent:** Davila Fine, Heda None.

B. Public Comment – There were no Public Comments.

C. Approval of the June 27, 2019 Meeting minutes

M/S/C (Castro, Fine) Motion to approve the June 27, 2019 Meeting minutes – PASSED

Ayes: Castro, cheema, Davila, Fine, Heda, Kealoha-Blake; **Noes:** None;
Abstentions: Prichett; **Absent:** None.

3. Covenant House Presentation – Jarekhye Covarrubias – no action taken.

❖ **At this point the following motion was made:**

*** M/S/C (Prichett, Kealoha-Blake) Motion to switch the order of Interviewee so Maria can go before Edward**

Ayes: Castro, cheema, Davila, Fine, Heda, Kealoha-Blake, Prichett; **Noes:** None;
Abstentions: None; **Absent:** None.

4. **Interview and vote on nomination of Maria Moore to the Mental Health Commission**
M/S/C (Castro, Davila) Motion to nominate Maria Moore by the Mental Health Commission in order to send to Berkeley City Council for appointment.
PASSED
Ayes: Castro, cheema, Davila, Fine, Heda, Kealoha-Blake, Prichett; **Noes:** None;
Abstentions: None; **Absent:** None.
5. **Interview and vote on nomination of Edward Opton to the Mental Health Commission**
M/S/C (Davila, Prichett) Motion to nominate Edward Opton by the Mental Health Commission in order to send to Berkeley City Council for appointment.
PASSED
Ayes: Castro, cheema, Davila, Fine, Heda, Kealoha-Blake, Prichett; **Noes:** None;
Abstentions: None; **Absent:** None.
6. **Discussion and Possible Action on Subcommittee Reports**
 - Site Visit Subcommittee
 - *Motion for Paul Kealoha- Blake to be approved to the Site Visit Sub-committee**
M/S/C (Fine, Prichett)
PASSED
Ayes: Castro, cheema, Davila, Fine, Heda, Kealoha-Blake, Prichett; **Noes:** None;
Abstentions: None; **Absent:** None.
 - Accountability Subcommittee- No motion taken
 - Mobile Crisis Response
 - *Motion for the Sub-committee on Mobile Crisis Response to create a draft RFP for a consultant on the mobile crisis system for input and submit to the mental health division and answer any questions from the Mental Health Division about the document**
M/S/C (Davila, Kealoha-Blake)
PASSED
Ayes: Castro, cheema, Davila, Fine, Heda, Kealoha-Blake, Prichett; **Noes:** None;
Abstentions: None; **Absent:** None.
 - *Motion to appoint Andrea Prichett and remove Paul Kealoha- Blake from the Mobile Crisis responses Sub-committee**
M/S/C (Davila, Heda)
PASSED
Ayes: Castro, cheema, Davila, Fine, Heda, Kealoha-Blake, Prichett; **Noes:** None;
Abstentions: None; **Absent:** None.
 - Membership Subcommittee- No motion taken
7. **Recommendation to Council that BMH develop a 5 year Strategic Plan**
 - *Motion recommending to council that Berkeley Mental Health develop a 5 year strategic plan**
M/S/C (Prichett, Davila)
Ayes: Castro, cheema, Davila, Fine, Heda, Kealoha-Blake, Prichett; **Noes:** None;
Abstentions: None; **Absent:** None.

8. Discuss and Possible Action re: Demographic Data Collection of Client Population for Purposes of Evaluating Service Delivery Results Based Accountability (RBA) by the Division of Mental Health

No action taken- discussed at 6- Accountability Sub-Committee

9. Discuss and Possible Action re: Calculating the Overall Costs for the 50 Highest Frequency Service Users of the Division of Mental Health (see Sacramento Study)

No action taken- discussed at 6 - Accountability Sub-Committee

10. Discuss and Possible Action to Assess the Capability of the Division of Mental Health to Adeptly Serve Clients Who Use Substances, including Reviewing Harm Reduction Strategies to Serve Them

No action taken- discussed at 6 - Accountability Sub-Committee

11. Mental Health Manager Updates - Steve Grolnic-McClurg

❖ **At this point there the following motion was made:**

***Motion to extend the meeting to 9:15**

M/S/C (Davila, Prichett)

Ayes: Castro, cheema, Davila, Fine, Heda, Kealoha-Blake, Prichett; **Noes:** None;

Abstentions: None; **Absent:** None.

12. Berkeley Mental Health Staff Announcements – One announcement- MH director made an announcement about a thanksgiving party and the details will be given at the October mtg.

13. Prioritize Agenda Items for October Meeting - None

14. Announcements – One announcement –Council woman Davila passed out a flyer for a concert. Concert for the Climate fundraiser for the Climate Emergency October 5th 6-10pm address: 411 26th St. Oakland

15. Adjournment – 9:14pm

M/S/C (Fine, Castro) Motion to adjourn the meeting – PASSED

Ayes: Castro, cheema, Davila, Fine, Heda, Kealoha-Blake; **Noes:** None;

Abstentions: None; **Absent:** None.

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