



Department of Health,
Housing & Community Services
Mental Health Commission

Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission Adopted Minutes

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

Regular Meeting
January 23, 2020

Members of the Public Present: Shelby Heda, Ann Hawkins, Andrew Phelps, Ron
Staff Present: Fawn Downs, Steve Grolnic-McClurg, Jamie Works-Wright

1. Call to Order at 7:00pm

Commissioners Present: Erlinda Castro, boona cheema, Margaret Fine, Paul Kealoha-Blake, Maria Moore **Absent:** Edward Opton (arrived 7:04), Andrea Prichett (arrived 7:09), Cheryl Davila (arrived 7:11) Farzaheh Izadi

2. Preliminary Matters

A. Approval of the January 23, 2020 Agenda

M/S/C (Kealoha-Blake, Castro) Motion to approve the January 23, 2020 Agenda– PASSED

Ayes: Castro, cheema, Fine, Kealoha-Blake, Moore **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Opton, Prichett, Davila, Izadi

B. Public Comment – 4 public comments from community members.

C. Approval of the December 12, 2019 minutes

M/S/C (Fine, Kealoha-Blake) Motion to approve the December 12, 2019 minutes – PASSED

Ayes: Castro, cheema, Davila, Fine, Kealoha-Blake, Moore, Opton, Prichett **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Izadi

3. Interview and vote on nomination of Ann Hawkins to the Mental Health Commission

M/S/C (Fine, Davila) Motion to nominate Ann Hawkins to be appointed to the special public interest (peer) as a representative of the Mental Health Commission – PASSED

Ayes: Castro, cheema, Davila, Fine, Kealoha-Blake, Moore, Opton, Prichett **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Izadi

4. Discussion of the election for the offices of chair and vice chair- No motion

5. Presentation of goals for 2020/ Strategic Plan – boona cheema

*Presentation – boona cheema

6. Discussion and possible Action on Subcommittee Reports

M/S/C (Fine, Davila) Motion to move and establish an Audit Subcommittee and withdraw the Accountability Subcommittee; establish a Human Rights' Subcommittee and May is Mental Health Sub-Committee. – PASSED

Ayes: Castro, cheema, Davila, Fine, Kealoha-Blake, Moore, Opton, Prichett **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Izadi

M/S/C (Prichett, Davila) Motion to staff the subcommittees in the following way, I would like to propose that we staff the Site Visit subcommittee with: Paul, Cheryl and Andrea. The Audit Subcommittee: Edward, Margaret and Cheryl. Mobile Crisis Response: Andrea, Maria and Paul. Human Rights' Subcommittee: Andrea, Margaret and boona. May is mental health month: boona and Erlinda. The membership committee will not have members on it just yet. – PASSED

Ayes: Castro, cheema, Davila, Fine, Kealoha-Blake, Moore, Opton, Prichett **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Izadi

* **M/S/C (Prichett, Davila) Motion to extend the meeting by 15 minutes pass to end by 9:15 pm - PASSED**

Ayes: Castro, cheema, Fine, Kealoha-Blake, Moore, Opton, Prichett **Noes:** Davila **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Izadi

a. **Planning Subcommittee for LGBTQQI2-S Staff Training**

M/S/C (Fine, Davila) Motion that the planning subcommittee, the word “people of color” goes after the LGBTQQI2-S, so it specifically focuses on people of color. - PASSED

Ayes: Castro, cheema, Davila, Fine, Kealoha-Blake, Moore, Opton, Prichett **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Izadi

7. One-Hour training on Commission Mandate by Margaret Fine – No motion taken

8. Mental Health Manager Updates - Steve Grolnic-McClurg - No motion taken

9. Berkeley Mental Health Staff Announcements – no announcements

10. Prioritize Agenda Items for February Meeting – Like to request Jeff Buell from Mobile Crisis do a presentation and the Governor’s executive order in the mental health

11. Announcements – A new HHCS director has been hired

12. Adjournment – 9:16pm

M/S/C (Prichett, Davila) Motion to adjourn the meeting – PASSED

Ayes: cheema, Davila, Fine, Kealoha-Blake, Moore, Opton, Prichett **Noes:** None;

Abstentions: None; **Absent:** Castro, Izadi

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