

**MENTAL HEALTH BOARD
Executive Committee Meeting
MINUTES**

Wednesday, July 5, 2023

10:30 to Noon

Sonoma County DHS Office – Santa Rosa Conference Room

1450 Neotomas Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Email Public Comment Prior to the Meeting:

You may email public comment to DHS-MHB@sonoma-county.org no later than five days prior to the meeting. All emailed public comments will be forwarded to all Board Members. During the meeting, if you have joined as a member of the public in the Zoom app or by calling in, there will be specific points throughout the meeting assigned to public comment.

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION:

If you have a disability, which requires an accommodation or an alternative format to assist you in observing and commenting on this meeting, please contact the Clerk of the Mental Health Board at (707) 565-4854 or by email DHS-MHB@sonoma-county.org by 12:00 noon, the Friday, prior to each meeting to ensure arrangements for accommodation.

The rules for public observation and comment supersede and replace the standard provisions for the duration of the public health emergency.

Mental Health Board Executive Committee Minutes

1. MHB Treasurer's Report – FY 22-23 Final: \$224.54. FY 23-24: \$4500.00
2. Recruitment and retention of MHB members – (1) vacancy in District 1; (2) vacancies in District 2 (Rabbitt); (1) vacancy in District 4; (Betzy Chavez has opted out after expiration date in June, 2023); (1) vacancy in District 5
3. Ethics Training – Pending: Michelle Jackson (overdue 1 year and 3 months); Nicole LeStrange; due by 7/18/23
4. Discuss Board Planning:
5. Special Topic Presentation July – Presentation from West County Youth Services; Jan will do a short presentation on the Mobile Crisis Unit.
Special Topic September – Susan will reach back out to Julie Kawahara regarding her interest in a 15 minute presentation regarding “SONOMA COUNTY Indian Health regarding a presentation on the California Reducing Disparities Project funded by MHSA funding through the State Office of Health Equity.” September is National Suicide Prevention Month; Michael will check with Melissa Ladrech on a possible presentation or presenter.
6. BH Director's Report/DHS-BH Budget Update/Systems Transformation – Director not present
7. Discuss MHB acknowledging SCBH staff: July: Michael Reynolds will reach out to Elizabeth Storm
8. MHB Chair's Report – We will add “Other Reports” to this section as we did not have time to address a few very important items. To be discussed and voted on:
 1. Board Chair and Board Vice Chair
 2. Board participation has been very poor and we need to set clear guidelines. Present policy on attending no fewer than 6 of the 10 MHB meetings per year in order be a member. Of the 6, 2 may be via Zoom if the situation calls for it under the Brown Act rule change that went into effect March 1st of this year
 3. Ethics Training Time Frame: 3 months from start of term date.
 4. Violation of either of these items will lead to recommendation to the District Supervisor that the board member be released.
 5. Polling for forming an official Site Committee for Site Visits – cannot be just the same 1 or 2 people moving forward
 6. Mentorship of current board members in each district to new board members. This would include reviewing the Brown Act, and ByLaws.
 7. Board Clerk to send ByLaws to all prospective board members
9. Site Visit Committee – No recent calendar
10. Public Comment - No public attendance

Next MHB Meeting Agenda 7/18/2023 – * Russian River Resiliency Center*

- Roll Call
- Approval of Minutes for May & June Board Meetings
- Consumer Affairs Report - Consumer news, issues, concerns
- Chair Report (items listed above)
- Behavioral Health Director's Report/BH Fiscal Update/Mental Health System Transformation
- Mental Health Board Appreciation: TBA
- Special Presentation: West County Youth Services; Jan Cobaleda-Kegler on Mobile Crisis Unit
- Public Comment/Wrap-Up
- Adjournment