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UNADOPTED MINUTES

**Behavioral Health Commission
Executive Committee Meeting
Tuesday, June 7, 2022
5:00 PM – 6:33 PM**

CALLED TO ORDER: 5:00 pm

ROLL CALL: by BHC Clerk Gray

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Co-Chair Stephen Banuelos (he/him), Vice-Chair Genesis Vasconez (she, her), Carletta Jackson-Lane (she/her/hers),

- **NON-VOTING COMMISSIONER'S PRESENT** –Toni Parks (she/her), Terezie (Terry) Bohrer, Harriette S. Stevens (she/her) Liza Murawski (she/her)

COMMISSIONER'S ABSENT: Co-Chair Bahlam Javier Vigil (they/them/theirs), Judith Klain (she/her) excused, Secretary Lisa Williams

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC: Roy Smally, Amanda Nelson, Savannah Hilt, SAV, Contina Little (Wynn's co workers)

STAFF: Geoffrey Grier (him/them) and Amber Gray (DPH) (she/her)

QUORUM: Established

BHC Clerk Amber Gray called attention to the updated remote meeting resolution California Government Code Section 54953(e) also known as AB361 which empowers

local policy bodies to convene by teleconferencing technology during a proclaimed state of emergency under the State Emergency Services Act – see attached below –

Roll Call Vote to adopt AB361: Taken by BHC Clerk Gray

- Balham Javier Vigil, Co-Chair-absent
- Stephen Banuelos, Co-Chair-Aye
- Genesis Vasconez, MS, PMHNP-BC, Vice-Chair-Aye
- Lisa Williams, Secretary- Absent
- Terezie Bohrer, RN, MSW, CLNC-Aye
- Judith Klain, MPH- excused

Carletta Jackson-Lane, JD- absent

Toni Parks-aye

Harriette Stallworth Stevens, Ed D-Aye

Majority vote ruled to adapt AB361.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: 2.3 Vote to move Consolidated Resolution, authored by Co –Chair Vigil and Commissioner Murawski previously addressed and voted on. This item is a carry over from the April 20,2022 meeting.

Discussion: Co-Chair Stephen Banuelos provided a brief explanation of Agenda Item 2.3 and noted this was addressed in a previous meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ITEM 1.0 COMMISSIONER’S REPORTS

Discussion: There is a need for The Behavioral Health Commission (BHC) to be in the decision making process around the distribution of budget initiatives. There were comments inviting members of BHC to participate in the process. Commissioner Wynn had a question about when to present new business. Co-Chair Banuelos answered and clarified new business will be addressed in Item 3.0. Commissioner Murawski asked if the BHC wants the community to bring

the questions “to Behavioral Health Commission so that we can bring it to the Behavioral Health Services. Commissioner Murawski also commented that culturally responsive resources are not being covered in mental health services. Additionally, she asked how is how is the City and County of San Francisco tracking the services provided? Other concerns were raised around San Francisco’s case management overload. Case Managers have too many clients making it impossible to provide client centered care. Commissioners feel this is a serious problem. Additional concerns are critical services are still being cut?

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

1.1 Governor’s Care Court proposal: Discussion and possible action:

Discussion: Co-Chair Banuelos commented on the e-mail sent out to Commissioners regarding the development on an Ad Hoc Committee. Both Commissioner Parks and Commissioner Bohrer would like to have a one time Ad Hoc committee meeting to come up with some ideas about what to bring the BHC meeting. They agreed to send some possible dates for the Ad Hoc Meeting.

1.2 BHS/ BHC Websites - Old & New

Discussion: The site will be controlled by DPH and the website will have basic abilities. The website is expected to launch in the near future.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ITEM 2.0 Discussion on Action items

2.1 -Vote to approve the un-adopted minutes from April 12,2022 Executive Committee, Vote to approve un-adopted minutes from May10, 2022.Executive Committee Meeting.

Motion made by Commissioner Carletta Jackson -Lane and second by Commissioner Vasconez to have the May 10, 2022 minutes rewritten, reviewed for adoption at the next meeting in July.

Role Call Vote taken by Executive Director Grier.

Stephen Banuelos, Co-Chair-Aye
Genesis Vasconez, MS, PMHNP-BC, Vice-Chair-Aye
Carletta Jackson-Lane, JD- Aye

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Motion: to approve the un-adopted minutes from April 12, 2022 Executive Committee minutes made by Carletta Jackson-Lane, second by Commissioner Vice Chair Vasconez.

Role call Vote taken by Executive Director Grier.

Stephen Banuelos, Co-Chair-Aye
Genesis Vasconez, MS, PMHNP-BC, Vice-Chair-Aye
Carletta Jackson-Lane, JD-Aye

The vote to approve the adoption of the April 12, 2022 passed unanimously.

2.2 A short presentation by the San Francisco Mental Health Education Fund (SFMHEF) presented by Commissioner Stevens,

The presentation provided an update on the Mental Health Education Fund (SFMHEF) activities. The Fund was established over 50 years ago. The SFMHEF Board members have worked with the Mental Health Board and now called the Behavioral Health Commission. SFMHEF'S focus and initiative is to identify the plight on African American/Black Community specific to mental health services and substance abuse programs. Bridging the gaps in services particularly in the mental health services and substance use programs. SFMHEF become more active in the African American/ Black Community and has been working with the Behavioral Health Commission since July 01, 2020. SFMHEF has been providing administrative support to the Behavioral Health Commission and Executive Director Grier. SFMHEF has also provided some transition support, guidance and training to BHS Clerk Amber Gray.

Discussion: The Town Hall meetings provided mental health awareness and education through their stories. Town Hall meetings provide mental health awareness by having pre and post tests questions. Talked a bit about next areas to outreach. SFMHEF has plans to outreach to the Tenderloin area in the near future.

Motion: to confirm the San Francisco Mental Health Education Fund (SFMHEF) to be allowed to present to the full Commission meeting June 15, 2022 on their community outreach and the work done to educate in behavioral Health. Motion made by Commissioner Carletta Jackson second by Lisa Wynn.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Role call vote by BHS Clerk Gray

Stephen Banuelos, Co-Chair-Aye
Genesis Vasconez, MS, PMHNP-BC, Vice-Chair-Aye
Terezie Bohrer, RN, MSW, CLNC-Aye
Kescha S. Mason –Absent
Liza Murawski-Aye
Toni Parks- Absent

Carletta Jackson-Lane, JD- Aye
Harriette Stallworth Stevens, EdD- Aye

With this vote the Aye's have confirmed that SFMHEF will present at the JUNE 15, 2022 BHC Meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Winship Hillier commented that it is totally useless to allow public comment after a vote. The whole purpose of public comment is to allow the public to influence the vote. The Sunshine Ordinance does not allow public comment to be bypassed. Everything has to be on the agenda that requires a vote must include clarity in the description of the motion. Winship Hillier has filed numerous complaints with the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force. Once the complaints are resolved it could potentially create a negative impact on the BHC.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The Bay's I phone –Jamal commented on what committees were outreached to by **(SFMHEF)** How did they promote their events to the public? **(SFMHEF)** works with major stakeholders in the community to engage other people along with the community. The Town Hall is an effort to educate and empower the targeted communities.

2.3 Vote to move complete consolidated resolution authored by Co-Chair Vigil and Commissioner Murawski previously viewed and voted on. This item is a carryover from the April 20,2022.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

2.4 A short presentation by Tipping Point.

Unfortunately Tipping Point was not able to make it. Tipping Point will be doing a brief presentation next week before the full Commission.

Discussion: Tipping Point has made a presentation before the Executive committee and would like to present at the Full Commission Meeting. The Resolution has to be ratified by the Behavior Health Commission then forwarded to the board of Supervisors. BHC may need a transmittal letter signed by the chairs of the co-chairs. BHC will need to choose an individual to prepare the transmittal letter. The digital draft to will need to be sent to Executive Director Grier to be on agenda.

2.5 MHSF to be on June 15, 2022. Agenda for presentation,

Possibly moving the MHSA Hearing confirm July 20, 2022. Preparing the commissioner's to read the information related to MHSA Public hearing to develop questions with a deadline of July13, 2022.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

3.0 NEW BUSINESS: Data Notebook and Testing?

Discussion: comments around Covid -19 testing being cut in the Bayview area. They have been creating community partnerships to stay afloat. They have received some funding from other agencies in the pass. Vulnerable population needs more support with getting regular testing for free to stay entrusted in the preventive measures. Comments regarding others not knowing how to use the test strips and finding others that were positive for Coved 19 virus and not knowing there status.

4.0 FINAL PUBLIC COMMENT – Catina Little- wondering if they ever considered down in the Bart and Muni stations were people are not always visible to the public.

Wynship Hillier – an excuse was granted to Commissioner Klain and according to the Bylaws. We have special legislation and the chair can't do it, according to the bylaws Wynship yelled “ Let me finish, I have the floor”

Adjournment: 6:33 pm by Co Chair Banuelos

Minutes prepared by Clerk Gray