

# County of El Dorado

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## Minute Order Mental Health Commission

*Jim Abram, Chair, West Slope Council / Countywide*

*Denise Burke, Chair, Tahoe Council*

*Sue Novasel, Board of Supervisors Representative*

*Michael Ranalli, Board of Supervisors Alternate  
Representative*

*Dr. Richard Lynn, Vice-Chair, Tahoe Council*

*Jan Melnicoe, Vice Chair, West Slope Council*

*Ben Ehrler, Secretary, Tahoe Council*

*Bonnie McLane, Secretary, West Slope Council*

*Dan Boals, Commissioner, West Slope Council*

*Dr. Stephen Clavere, Commissioner, West Slope Council*

*Steve Ehrler, Commissioner, Tahoe Council*

*Guadalupe Medrano, Commissioner, West Slope Council*

*Lorraine Nordone Pond, Commissioner, Tahoe Council*

*Maria Quintero, Commissioner, West Slope Council*

*Craig Therikildsen, Commissioner, West Slope Council*

*Stacy Bolton, Associate Member*

*Jane de Felice, Associate Member*

*Vacant (2) Commissioner's*

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Wednesday, October 28, 2015

5:00 PM

Meeting Locations (in person and connected via  
tele/video-conferencing):

- Health and Human Service Agency, 3057 Briw Road, Sierra Room, Placerville, CA
  - Mental Health Office, 1900 Lake Tahoe Blvd., Suite 103, South Lake Tahoe, CA
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### 5:06 PM CALLED TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL; INTRODUCTIONS

*Guests: Michael Atwell, Brookes Blackburn, Deborah Carter, Joe Caulboy, Jacqueline Nelson, Jeanne Nelson, Norm Nester, Capt. Jackie Noren, Marsha Ticas*

*HHSA Staff: Don Ashton, Dee-Anna Bradley, Doris Jones, Sabrina Owen, Brandi Reid, Ren Scammon, Tami Smith*

**Present:** 8 - Richard Lynn, Lorraine Nordone Pond, Craig Therikildsen, Jim Abram, Stephen Clavere, Steve Ehrler, Ben Ehrler and Bonnie McLane

**Absent:** 6 - Guadalupe Medrano, Denise Burke, Jan Melnicoe, Dan Boals, Sue Novasel and Maria Quintero

### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

**A motion was made by Commissioner McLane, seconded by Commissioner Therikildsen, to adopt the agenda as written.**

**Yes:** 8 - Richard Lynn, Lorraine Nordone Pond, Craig Therikildsen, Jim Abram, Stephen Clavere, Steve Ehrler, Ben Ehrler and Bonnie McLane

**Absent:** 6 - Guadalupe Medrano, Denise Burke, Jan Melnicoe, Dan Boals, Sue Novasel and Maria Quintero

### PUBLIC COMMENT

None

5:14 PM ROLL CALL

- Present:** 9 - Richard Lynn, Lorraine Nordone Pond, Craig Therkildsen, Jim Abram, Stephen Clavere, Steve Ehrler, Sue Novasel, Ben Ehrler and Bonnie McLane
- Absent:** 5 - Guadalupe Medrano, Denise Burke, Jan Melnicoe, Dan Boals and Maria Quintero

**DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS**

1. [15-1247](#) Approval of the September 23, 2015 meeting Minutes

**Attachments:** [09-23-15 MHC MINUTES - DRAFT.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Lynn, seconded by Commissioner McLane, to approve the September 23, 2015 minutes as written.**

5:22 PM ROLL CALL

- Present:** 10 - Richard Lynn, Denise Burke, Lorraine Nordone Pond, Craig Therkildsen, Jim Abram, Stephen Clavere, Steve Ehrler, Sue Novasel, Ben Ehrler and Bonnie McLane
- Absent:** 4 - Guadalupe Medrano, Jan Melnicoe, Dan Boals and Maria Quintero

2. [15-1285](#) Update on the County Strategic Plan Effort

*Director Ashton provided the Commission with an update on the Countywide Strategic Plan. He encouraged everyone to take the Citizen Engagement Survey which closes on November 2, 2015.*

3. [15-1286](#) Update on Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT)

*Director Ashton stated that Request for Proposal (RFP) for Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) was submitted to the County's Purchasing Division last week and that it should be posted soon.*

4. [15-1287](#) Update on the use of Psychotropic Medications in the County Jails

*Director Ashton stated that a resolution was adopted by the Board of Supervisors a few weeks ago authorizing the use of psychotropic medications in the County jails. He stated that there will be a meeting next week to discuss implementation, but that it would likely be a few months until the implementation process is completed.*

5. [15-1288](#) Update on the Crisis Intervention Team

*Captain Noren provided an update to the Commission on the Crisis Intervention Training, status of grant funding, classes offered and the numbers of law enforcement and first responders trained.*

6. [15-1248](#) Mental Health Division Presentation on Transitional Age Youth (TAY)

program and services

**Attachments:** [MH Commission - TAY Report.pdf](#)

[TAY - Brochure.pdf](#)

[TAY - Independence HS Flyer.pdf](#)

[TAY - SLT Flyer.pdf](#)

*Sabrina Owen gave a presentation on the Transitional Age Youth (TAY) programs and services. There will be Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) groups offered at Independence High School on the West Slope and at South Tahoe / Tallac High School in South Lake Tahoe. Handouts were provided to the meeting attendees.*

#### 5:45 PM ROLL CALL

**Present:** 11 - Richard Lynn, Denise Burke, Lorraine Nordone Pond, Craig Therkildsen, Jim Abram, Stephen Clavere, Steve Ehrler, Sue Novasel, Ben Ehrler, Bonnie McLane and Maria Quintero

**Absent:** 3 - Guadalupe Medrano, Jan Melnicoe and Dan Boals

#### 7. [15-1289](#)

Selection of Mental Health Commission Members to Participate on Committees:

1. Nominating Committee
2. Membership Committee

*Commissioner Abram asked for Commission members to volunteer to participate on the Nominating and Membership committees. The Nominating committee will include Commissioner Burke and Commissioner Melnicoe and the Membership committee will include Commissioner Abram, Commissioner McLane and Commissioner Pond. Terms expiring at the end of this year include:*

*Jim Abram, Commissioner  
Dr. Richard Lynn, Commissioner  
Jan Melnicoe, Commissioner  
Craig Therkildsen, Commissioner  
Sue Novasel, Board of Supervisors Representative  
Stacy Bolton, Associate Member  
Jane de Felice, Associate Member*

*Commissioner Abram stated that he will check and see if there is an application to be completed for current commissioners who would like to be reappointed. He asked that the committees report back to the Commission at the November meeting.*

#### 8. [15-1249](#)

Questions / Comments on Mental Health Division Monthly Report

**Attachments:** [Mental Health Division Update 10-28-15 meeting.pdf](#)

*Commissioner Burke asked about the homework requirement in order to attend the Wellness Center issue that she brought forward from a client last month. Sabrina Owen stated that homework is not required to attend the Wellness Center.*

*Commissioner Burke asked about the position change for Chandra Bomben, clinician in SLT. Sabrina Owen stated that she has moved from providing Intensive Case Management services to traditional services. She also advised that two new clinicians started this past Monday in SLT.*

*Commissioner Clavere asked about the PHF assaults. Director Ashton stated that the incidents involved the same two clients as in previous months. They are both on the waitlist for a bed at Napa State Hospital.*

*Commissioner Abram asked for an update on Behavioral Health Court. Sabrina Owen stated that it is still a work in progress and that they are working on making sure that the programs on both slopes mirror one another. She hopes to have the program in place after the first of the year.*

*Commissioner Abram asked about the status of the Patients' Rights Advocate position. Doris Jones advised that she is still working in that role and goes to the PHF daily. Director Ashton stated that the department is exploring some ideas and will report out at a later date.*

## COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

*Commissioner Clavere stated that he received the information that he had requested regarding indirect costs from Lori Walker.*

*Commissioner Clavere asked about the final version of the 2015 Data Notebook. He stated that the collaboration between the commission and the mental health division was great, but he would like to have been presented with a final copy to review prior to the submission of the report. He requested an agenda item at the November meeting.*

*Commissioner Abram encouraged everyone to take the MHSA annual update survey before it closes on December 1, 2015. Commissioner Pond advised that she was encouraged to complete the survey by CASA El Dorado as a representative of the child. She asked if she could take the survey twice, once of behalf of the child for CASA and once as herself? Commissioner Abram advised that the survey is set up to allow for that.*

## DETERMINE NEXT MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING DATE

*The next regular meeting of the Mental Health Commission is scheduled for 5:00 PM on November 18, 2015.*

## 6:20 PM ADJOURNMENT