



County of El Dorado

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Minutes - Final Behavioral Health Commission

James Abram, Chair - Term Expiration 8/15/2026
Norma Santiago, Vice Chair - Term Expiration 9/24/2027
John Taylor, Vice Chair - Term Expiration 1/1/2026
Dr. Stephen Clavere, Secretary - Term Expiration 1/01/2026
Greg Ferrero, Board of Supervisors Representative - Term Expiration 01/01/2026
Debra Thornburgh, Commissioner - Term Expiration 12/03/2027
Deanna Santana, Commissioner - Term Expiration 5/13/2028
Vacant (4), Commissioners

Wednesday, June 18, 2025

5:00 PM

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

- 330 Fair Lane, Bldg. A, Placerville, CA
 - Mental Health Office, 1900 Lake Tahoe Blvd., Suite 103,
South Lake Tahoe, CA
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5:01 PM CALLED TO ORDER

Present: 6 - Thornburgh, Taylor, Clavere, Abram, Ferrero and Santana

Absent: 1 - Santiago

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner Comment:
(None)

Public Comment:
(None)

A motion was made by Ferrero, seconded by Taylor, to Adopt the Agenda and Approve the Consent Calendar this matter.

Yes: 6 - Thornburgh, Taylor, Clavere, Abram, Ferrero and Santana

Absent: 1 - Santiago

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. [25-1112](#) Commission Chair recommends the Behavioral Health Commission to approve the minutes from the Date and Year, regular meeting of the Behavioral Health Commission.

Approved

2. [25-1113](#) In accordance with AB 2249 (2022) Commission Chair accepts any commissioner request to participate remotely according to Just Cause or Emergency Circumstances allowances pursuant to Title 5 Government Code, Division 2, Part 1, Chapter 9, 54953(f)(2) and take action on any requests made.

No Formal Action

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

OPEN FORUM

DISCUSSION ITEMS

3. [25-1115](#) Presentation by Jim Diel on the Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) grant as well as the Service, Outreach, Access and Response (SOAR) project. Commission to receive/review/discuss and take action as appropriate. (45-minutes)

Presentation by HHSA staff Jim Diel and Neal Tessier, followed by general discussion.

Public Comment:
(None)

Commissioner Discussion:

Jim Abram, Commission Chair: Read statement proposing motion for the Commission to bring awareness to the Board of Supervisors of the SOAR project, and of the support from the Commission for this project to move forward.

Presented

Yes: 5 - Thornburgh, Taylor, Clavere, Abram and Santana

Absent: 1 - Santiago

Abstained: 1 - Ferrero

4. [25-1116](#) Review/Discussion/Questions of Behavioral Health Director's Report. (10-minutes)

Barry Harwell, Sierra Child and Family Services: Notes that yesterday the federal government ended a services option previously available on the 988 suicide prevention hot-line specific to LGBTQ+ youth.

No Formal Action

COMMISSIONER COMMENT

NEXT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING DATE: July 16, 2025

5:56PM ADJOURNED