

# County of El Dorado

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## Minutes Behavioral Health Commission

*Jim Abram, Chair*  
*Dr. Stephen Clavere, Vice-Chair WS*  
*Dr. Richard Lynn, Vice-Chair SLT*  
*Shawn Allan, Secretary*  
*John Hidahl, Board of Supervisors Representative*  
*Kathryn Hamilton, Commissioner*  
*Jan Melnicoe, Commissioner*  
*Norman Nester, Commissioner*  
*Arturo Salazar, Commissioner*  
*Henry Sandigo, Commissioner*  
*Craig Therikildsen, Commissioner*  
*Vacant (5), Commissioner*

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Wednesday, September 26, 2018

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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### 5:01 PM CALLED TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL; INTRODUCTIONS

*Guests: Barbara Vermilyea, Barry Harwell, Lynn Hall, Jocelyn Lamb, Sandy Robinson, Val Akana, Debra Thornburgh, Hannah Ware, Charles Ware, Chris Stedeford, Karis Holman, Norma Santiago, Rebecca Domingo*

*HHSA Staff: Nicole Cable, Patricia Charles-Heathers, Katy Eckert, Heather Longo, Sabrina Owen, Jamie Samboceti, Tami Smith, Ren Strong, Moriah Weldy, Paula Frantz (County Counsel)*

**Present:** 8 - Jan Melnicoe, Craig Therikildsen, Jim Abram, Stephen Clavere, Norman Nester, Arturo Salazar, Richard Lynn and Kathryn Hamilton  
**Absent:** 3 - Shawn Allan, Henry Sandigo and John Hidahl

### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

**A motion was made by Chair Abram, seconded by Commissioner Melnicoe, to adopt the Agenda as written.**

**Yes:** 8 - Jan Melnicoe, Craig Therikildsen, Jim Abram, Stephen Clavere, Norman Nester, Arturo Salazar, Richard Lynn and Kathryn Hamilton

**Absent:** 3 - Shawn Allan, Henry Sandigo and John Hidahl

### PUBLIC COMMENT

*None*

5:05 ROLL CALL

*Supervisor Hidahl arrived*

**Present:** 9 - Jan Melnicoe, Craig Therkildsen, Jim Abram, Stephen Clavere, Norman Nester, Arturo Salazar, Richard Lynn, John Hidahl and Kathryn Hamilton

**Absent:** 2 - Shawn Allan and Henry Sandigo

## DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

1. [18-1480](#) Approval of the August 29, 2018 Behavioral Health Commission Meeting Minutes.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Nester, seconded by Vice Chair Clavere, to approve the Minutes as written.**

**Yes:** 9 - Jan Melnicoe, Craig Therkildsen, Jim Abram, Stephen Clavere, Norman Nester, Arturo Salazar, Richard Lynn, John Hidahl and Kathryn Hamilton

**Absent:** 2 - Shawn Allan and Henry Sandigo

2. [18-1481](#) Presentation on Progress House Alcohol and Drug programs and services.

*Sandy Robinson provided a presentation and answered questions on Progress House's Substance Use Disorder programs.*

*PUBLIC COMMENT: Norma Santiago had questions regarding the budget, recidivism, and opioid use in El Dorado County.*

3. [18-1482](#) Behavioral Health Commission 2018 Semi-Annual Report. Review and move forward to Board of Supervisors for filing.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Lynn, seconded by Vice Chair Clavere, to approve receiving and filing of the Semi-Annual report with the Board of Supervisors.**

**Yes:** 9 - Jan Melnicoe, Craig Therkildsen, Jim Abram, Stephen Clavere, Norman Nester, Arturo Salazar, Richard Lynn, John Hidahl and Kathryn Hamilton

**Absent:** 2 - Shawn Allan and Henry Sandigo

4. [18-1483](#) Behavioral Health Commission Minutes - Discussion / Request / Recommendation regarding the Minutes content requirement.

*Commissioners raised concerns regarding the Behavioral Health Commission minutes. An Ad Hoc Committee, consisting of Chair Abram and Norma Santiago, was formed to review the Bylaws and propose new language; Assistant Director Katy Eckert will serve as the Behavioral Health Division contact.*

5. [18-1254](#) Approval of the June 27, 2018 Behavioral Health Commission Minutes

**A motion was made by Commissioner Melnicoe, seconded by Vice Chair Lynn, to approve the Minutes as written.**

**Yes:** 9 - Jan Melnicoe, Craig Therkildsen, Jim Abram, Stephen Clavere, Norman Nester, Arturo Salazar, Richard Lynn, John Hidahl and Kathryn Hamilton

**Absent:** 2 - Shawn Allan and Henry Sandigo

6. [18-1484](#) Commissioner Nester requests that the Behavioral Health Commission recommend to the Board of Supervisors that Jocelyn Lamb be appointed as a full member of the Behavioral Health Commission.

*Jocelyn Lamb shared her reasons for wanting to be a Commissioner.*

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Lynn, seconded by Commissioner Nester, to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that Jocelyn Lamb be appointed as a full member of the Behavioral Health Commission.**

**Yes:** 9 - Jan Melnicoe, Craig Therkildsen, Jim Abram, Stephen Clavere, Norman Nester, Arturo Salazar, Richard Lynn, John Hidahl and Kathryn Hamilton

**Absent:** 2 - Shawn Allan and Henry Sandigo

7. [18-1485](#) Commissioner Abram requests that the Behavioral Health Commission recommend to the Board of Supervisors that Norma Santiago be reconsidered and appointed as a full member of the Behavioral Health Commission.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Clavere, seconded by Vice Chair Lynn, to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that Norma Santiago be appointed as a full member of the Behavioral Health Commission.**

**Yes:** 9 - Jan Melnicoe, Craig Therkildsen, Jim Abram, Stephen Clavere, Norman Nester, Arturo Salazar, Richard Lynn, John Hidahl and Kathryn Hamilton

**Absent:** 2 - Shawn Allan and Henry Sandigo

8. [18-1486](#) Appointment of an Ad Hoc Committee Interview Panel for participation in interviews of applicants and Commission recommendations to the Board of Supervisors in the selection process of a new Director of Health and Human Services Agency.

*Chair Abram indicated that the Ad Hoc Committee, consisting of Chair Abram, Vice Chair Lynn, Vice Chair Clavere, Commissioner Melnicoe, and Norma Santiago, will draft interview questions, which Human Resources must then approve.*

9. [18-1487](#) Discussion regarding Commission Member terms ending on January 1, 2019.

*Discussion regarding Commissioners terming out in January 2019. Chair Abram requests agendaizing this item on the October 2018 Behavioral Health Commission Agenda.*

10. [18-1488](#) Appointment of Behavioral Health Commission Membership Committee.

*The Membership Committee was formed and consists of Chair Abram, Commissioner Nester, Vice Chair Lynn, and Commissioner Hamilton.*

11. [18-1489](#) Update on AB1810.

*Chair Abram noted that there was a meeting on AB 1810 last week and the discussion centered on the type of diversion programs.*

*PUBLIC COMMENT: Paula Frantz, County Counsel noted that AB 1810 has not been finalized and there are changes in the bill after District Attorneys, rural counties, and Directors met with the Governor.*

12. [18-1491](#) Update on Stepping Up Initiative.

*Vice Chair Clavere reported on the discussions at their last meeting regarding the screening assessment and data collection. Vice Chair Clavere raised concern that the jail claims it is only dealing with criminogenic and not mental health issues.*

*PUBLIC COMMENT: Assistant Director Katy Eckert reported that the group has moved through Step 2, which included arriving at a definition of serious mental illness (SMI).*

6:58 ROLL CALL

*Commissioner Nester left the meeting*

13. [18-1490](#) Questions / Comments on Behavioral Health Division Monthly Report.

*Vice Chair Clavere noted that the census at the Psychiatric Health Facility has increased.*

*Chair Abram noted there is 1 client on the West Slope and 2 clients in South Lake Tahoe in Behavioral Health Court.*

*Chair Abram asked if there is a psychiatrist at Telecare. Director Patricia Charles-Heathers stated that there is currently a psychiatrist and a new one starts Oct. 1, 2018.*

*Vice Chair Clavere requests a breakout chart of Traditional and other MHSA funds in the Division Report. It was agreed that the monthly MHSA allocation received from the State could be added to the Division Report.*

*Commissioner Melnicoe inquired about the Psychiatric Emergency Response Team (PERT) and a discussion ensued regarding PERT, CIT training, and the new 5150 form.*

*Vice Chair Lynn requests Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) to be agendaized for discussion next month.*

*PUBLIC COMMENT: Barry Harwell reported that Children's System Of Care is meeting every 2 weeks with consultants, starting to map services and is looking forward to HHSA presenting to the public.*

**COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS**

*None*

**DETERMINE NEXT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING DATE**

*The next regular Behavioral Health Commission meeting will be held October 24, 2018 at 5:00 PM.*

**ADJOURNMENT - 7:22 PM**