



Mental Health Treatment Act Citizens Oversight Committee

Behavioral Health & Recovery Services

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Minutes: Wednesday, May 28, 2025

Location: **Preston Hall, Mendocino Presbyterian Church**, 44831 Main St., Mendocino, CA 95470

1 **CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL:** 1:05 PM

Committee Members Present: Chair Ebyam, Member Allman, Member Antle, Member Barash, Member Bradley, Member Willeford, and Member Miller.

- A quorum is established.

2 **PUBLIC EXPRESSION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

- Cynthia Wall, *Licensed Clinical Social Worker*

Cynthia represents a group of about 50 clinicians on the coast of Mendocino County who have joined together to create a resource for people looking for mental health professionals in the coastal areas. They created a website called Mendo Coast Mental Health (mendocoastmentalhealth.org). Currently they are self-funded, but they are seeking additional funding to create a searchable database within the website. They estimate a need of \$2,000-3,000 to accomplish the task.

- Jade Aldrich, *First 5*

Jade spoke about the focus of First 5 and the importance of having prevention activities and services that focus on 0-5 age groups and families.

3 **COMMITTEE MATTERS**

3a) **Approval of Minutes from the February 26, 2025, Regular Meeting**

Presenter: Chair Ebyam

Committee Action: Upon motion by Member Allman, seconded by Member Barash, IT IS ORDERED that the minutes from February 26, 2025, regular meeting be accepted as presented.

- Motion passes unanimously.

3b) **May 2025 Measure B Financial Report**

Presenter: Member Miller/Designee

- Member Miller presented the financial report and reported on the PHF grant drawdowns to-date.

3c) **Update and Discussion Regarding Measure B Related Items at the Board of Supervisors Meetings**

Presenter: Member Miller/Designee

- No agenda items brought forward from Measure B.

Committee Action: None

3d) Update and Discussion Regarding the Status of Current Measure B Projects

Presenter: Member Miller

- Member Miller presented the current Measure B projects report included in the agenda packet.

Committee Action: Member Allman requested that County Facilities and Contract Manager for the PHF construction attend the next Measure B meeting to provide an update on the construction of the facility and information on causes and impacts of any delays.

3e) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Substance Misuse Ad hoc Committee Recommendation on Request for Approval

Presenter: Member Miller/Designee

- Member Miller presented the recommendations from the Measure B Substance Misuse Ad Hoc Committee. The Committee recommends moving forward with a request for proposal with a focus on the following areas: youth residential treatment, medical model detox, sober living environment, and co-occurring residential treatment. The request for proposal should also allow individuals/providers to present programs that fill a gap within the substance misuse continuum of care in Mendocino County. There has also been a recommendation from the community and the Behavioral Health Advisory Board to have the facility in an alternative city such as Fort Bragg or Willits.

Committee Action: Upon motion by Member Allman, seconded by Member Bradley, IT IS ORDERED that Behavioral Health and Recovery Service draft a request for proposal for substance misuse treatment that aligns with the Ad Hoc Committees areas of focus and that the draft be reviewed by the Ad Hoc Committee and Measure B.

- Motion passes unanimously.

3f) Discussion Regarding Possible Allocation of Measure B Funds for Homeless Shelter in Willits

Presenter: Chair Ebyam

- Chair Ebyam presented on her proposal to possibly allocate Measure B funds for a homeless shelter in Willits.

Committee Action: None

4 COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

4a) Committee Member Reports Regarding Items of General Interest

- None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being nothing further, the Mental Health Treatment Act Citizens Oversight Committee adjourned the meeting at **3:06 PM**.

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