



Mental Health Treatment Act Citizens Oversight Committee

Behavioral Health & Recovery Services

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Minutes: Wednesday, February 25, 2026

Location: Behavioral Health Regional Training Center, 8207 East Road, Redwood Valley, CA

1 **CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL:** 1:01 PM

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

Committee Members not Present: Member Vau and Member Ramos.

- A quorum is established.

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

- Interim County Counsel Katherine Elliott introduced herself to the committee and stated that she will serve as the County Counsel representative to the committee. She mentioned she will review mandates and requirements related to the role of the County Counsel representative on the committee.

3 **COMMITTEE MATTERS**

3a) **Approval of Minutes from November 19, 2025, Regular Meeting**

Presenter: Chair Bradley

Committee Action: Upon motion by Member Allman, seconded by Member Barash, IT IS ORDERED that the minutes from November 19, 2025, regular meeting to be accepted as presented.

- Motion passes with approval.

Public Comment: None.

3b) **February 2026 Measure B Financial Report**

Presenter: Member Miller/Designee

- Andrea Turchin presented the February 2026 Measure B Financial Report as included in the agenda packet.
- Currently in the process of reviewing the quarterly billing for Fort Bragg community response team.

Committee Action: Upon motion by Member Moschetti, seconded by Member Willeford, IT IS ORDERED that the February 2026 Measure B Financial Report to be accepted as presented.

- Motion passes with approval.

Public Comment: None.

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

Presenter: Member Miller/Designee

- No updates.

Committee Action: None.

Public Comment: None.

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

Presenter: Member Miller/Designee

- Current Measure B project updates are included in the Behavioral Health Director's Report in the agenda packet, which includes updated photos of the Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF).
- Member Ebyam noted the Crisis Residential Treatment facility is at full capacity. Member Miller will follow up with an analysis regarding the facility exceeding capacity.

Committee Action: None.

Public Comment: None.

3e) Update and Discussion on the Construction of the Psychiatric Health Facility

Presenter: Doug Anderson

- Construction progress continues and the switchgear has arrived. However, PG&E's transformer for the utility services did not pass inspection. Efforts in progress to resolve the issue may result in an additional delay to the facility's opening. The generator has also been delayed and is now expected to be delivered in June or early July. The estimated opening date remains tentative but could occur prior to that timeframe.
- Additional project cost impacts include generator, propane, and gas fueling systems, and updates to propane storage. The kitchen hood was redesigned and went through revisions to ensure proper functionality. The switchgear may also have some cost implications, though the exact impact is unknown.
- The overall project budget evolved since 2022, when it was estimated at \$22 million dollars. Through the design process and pre-bid estimates, the cost was reduced to \$21 million, and bids came in at approximately \$19 million. BHRS continued budgeting at \$21 million, and it is estimated the project will remain under that amount. Current projections estimate change orders between \$1 million and \$1.5 million. Some additional costs may arise due to work extending beyond the contractor's original contract time; some items may be negotiable and will require further discussion with the contractor. The estimated completion date to be late June to early July.
- Member Allman asked whether the next Measure B meeting (August 26) could be held at the PHF facility. However, it was suggested that a scheduled tour of the PHF facility be done for the committee with less than a majority of the committee members at a time.

Committee Action: None.

Public Comment: None.

3f) Update and Discussion Regarding Measure B Budget

Presenter: Member Miller/Designee

- Andrea Turchin presented the 2026-27 Measure B draft budget included in the agenda

packet.

- Member Ebyam asked whether the funding for the PHF was included in the budget.
- Staff clarified that no PHF operational costs are included in the draft budget.
- It was noted that staff supporting Measure B do currently bill their time to Measure B.
- Member Ebyam asked about the Substance Use Disorder Request for Proposal (RFP) Substance Use as there has been no more discussion on it.
- Member Miller stated that the Substance Use Disorder RFP to be posted this week.
- Interim County Counsel Elliott reviewed Measure B requirements and confirmed that the committee is not required to have County Counsel. Ms. Elliott noted that County Counsel had previously been asked to attend meetings because the committee oversees tax dollars and was newly formed, but she will no longer attend meetings after this one unless needed.
- Member Miller noted that all contracts do have County Counsel review and that budget currently includes \$5000 for County Counsel charges.
- Member Ebyam asked whether this committee has purview for longer-term spending decisions related to Measure B committee.

Committee Action: Motion made by Member Allman, seconded by Member Moschetti to accept the 2026-27 Measure B budget as presented and to present to the Board of Supervisors (BOS).

- Motion passes with approval.

Public Comment: None.

3g) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Quarterly Newsletter Collaboration with BHAB and PHAB

Presenter: Chair Bradley

- Chair Bradley introduced the idea of a quarterly newsletter to share information about the boards and committees and improve communication with the community. This would include volunteers from the board and committees assisting with content development.
- Member Allman noted that any communications should be reviewed by the Chair and Dr. Miller prior to being released to the community.
- An example was provided of a Behavioral Health 101 event that was previously held and open to the public, including participation from the Police Department and BOS.
- Member Allman referenced prior discussions regarding communications with the media.
- Member Mochetti asked where the communications would be distributed.
- Chair Bradley explained that communications could be shared through media outlets such as Facebook, Instagram, newspapers, and through open house announcements.
- The committee expressed that it is not opposed to the idea of a newsletter.

Committee Action: None.

Public Comment: None.

3h) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Joint Meeting with BHAB

Presenter: Chair Bradley

- It was noted that the purpose of the BHAB representative on the Measure B Committee is to share updates and report back to the BHAB.
- It was also noted that there has been some public perception that the committee is responsible for making decisions on programs, which it is not.

- Member Moschetti and Member Allman suggested inviting BHAB members to remain after their meeting for lunch or social gathering, without discussing business-related items.
- Member Willeford stated that she does not see a benefit in holding a joint meeting.
- Member Allman mentioned he would be able to attend the May 27 BHAB meeting.

Committee Action: None.

Public Comment: None.

3i) Committee Chair Report

Presenter: Chair Bradley

- No report.

Committee Action: None.

Public Comment: None.

4 COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

4a) Committee Member Reports Regarding Items of General Interest

- Member Miller reported on two upcoming showings of *Fentanyl High* documentary in partnership with Mendocino County Office of Education (MCOE). The first showing will take place in Ukiah on March 25 from 5:00 – 8:00pm, featuring a panel of speakers before and after the film. A second showing will be held in Fort Bragg on April 2 from 5:00–8:00 p.m., with food provided. The events are free and open to the public. Outreach efforts are in progress to promote the screenings to parents and community members. The events are being coordinated with partners including the Opioid Task Force and SafeRx and are intended to serve as educational resources.
- Member Miller also reported efforts to reduce paperwork and administrative support to the three Health Services boards/committees. Staff created a SharePoint site similar to the site used with providers. The site will include a document library for Measure B materials such as bylaws, the Kemper Report, calendar, roster, agendas, minutes, and archived documents to maintain historical records. The goal is to reduce printed materials unless hard copies are specifically requested. Staff will also assist members with obtaining County VPN access. Wi-Fi is available at the Training Center, which will also help reduce costs billed to the committee. The committee concurred with the idea of reducing paperwork for meetings.
- Member Allman expressed appreciation for the mental health wing at the jail, which will include the 60 beds for male or female individuals and is anticipated to open in May. Member Allman toured the facilities a couple weeks ago and noted that the project is on schedule, with an estimated cost of \$44 million – something the county has not previously had.
- Member Allman also requested the next meeting include an agenda item “Purpose of Measure B”. Once PHF is operational, there may be a need to reevaluate the committee’s meeting frequency with oversight meetings potentially be reduced to twice per year, and planning should begin in preparation for the 2027 calendar year.
- An additional agenda item was also requested for the next meeting “Discussion of Future Measure B Budget”.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being nothing further, the Mental Health Treatment Act Citizens Oversight Committee adjourned the meeting at **2:28 PM**.

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