



Department of Health,
Housing & Community Services
Mental Health Commission

Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission Adopted Minutes

7:00 pm
North Berkeley SC 1901 Hearst

Regular Meeting
April 20, 2023

Members of the Public Present: Shirley Posey, Andrea Zeppa

Staff Present: Jeff Buell, Lisa Warhuus, Shelialanna Harris, Jamie Works-Wright

1) Call to Order at 7:04 pm

Commissioners Present: Margaret Fine, Monica Jones, Edward Opton (7:06), Andrea Prichett, Mary Lee Kimber-Smith, Glenn Turner **Absent:** Judy Appel, Kate Harrison

2) Preliminary Matters

a) Approval of the April 20, 2023 agenda

M/S/C (Prichett, Fine) Move to approve the minutes

PASSED

Ayes: Fine, Jones, Opton, Kimber-Smith, Prichett, Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None;

Absent: Appel, Harrison

b) Public Comment- 2 public comment

c) Approval of the March 16, 2023 Minutes

M/S/C (Fine, Turner) Motion to approve the minutes

PASSED

Ayes: Fine, Jones, Opton, Kimber-Smith, Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** Prichett; **Absent:**

Appel, Harrison

3. Bridge to SCU and SCU Update – Dr. Lisa Warhuus, Director Health, Housing & Community Services

No Motion Made

4. Mental Health Manager report and Caseload statistics – Jeff Buell

No motion Made

5. Write a letter to council about trying to fill MHC vacancies

No motion Made

6. Annual Report Update – Judy Appel

Tabled

7. Update on the Care First, Jails Last Resolution: summary of meeting with Berkeley Police Department and options going forward

M/S/C (Kimber-Smith, Opton) Motion to resend the current resolution January 31, 2023 version, Care First, Jail Last Policy to adopt the city-wide Care First, Jail Last policy.

PASSED

Ayes: Fine, Jones, Opton, Kimber-Smith, Prichett Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None;

Absent: Appel, Harrison

*Motion to extend the meeting form 10 minutes to 9:10

M/S/C (Prichett, Kimber-Smith)

PASSED

Ayes: Fine, Opton, Kimber-Smith, Prichett, Turner **Noes:** Jones; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Appel, Harrison

Motion to revise the version of the Care First, Jail Last and will go back to the Diversion Subcommittee and return the revised version at the May Mental Health Commission meeting

PASSED

Ayes: Fine, Jones, Opton, Kimber-Smith, Prichett, Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None;

Absent: Appel, Harrison

8. Subcommittee Reports

- a. Diversion Subcommittee**
- b. Youth Subcommittee**
- c. Membership Subcommittee**
- d. Evaluation Subcommittee**

9. Adjournment – 9:04 PM


Motion to adjourn the meeting early

PASSED

Ayes: Fine, Jones, Opton, Kimber-Smith, Prichett, Turner **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None;

Absent: Appel, Harrison

Minutes submitted by:



Jamie Works-Wright, Commission Secretary