



CalMHSA Board of Directors Meeting
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 30, 2021

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Luke Bergmann – Vice President, **San Diego County**
Ruben Imperial – Treasurer, **Stanislaus County**
Emi Botzler-Rodgers – Secretary, **Humboldt County**
Jei Africa, **Marin County**
Wendy Alt, **Calaveras County**
Ahmad Bahrami, **Fresno County (Alternate)**
Valerie Cahill, **Napa County (Alternate)**
Bill Carter, **Sonoma County**
Connie Cessna Smith, **Trinity County**
Sarah Collard, **Siskiyou County**
Jon Drake, **Monterey County (Alternate)**
Nicole Ebrahimi-Nuyken, **El Dorado County (Alternate)**
Katy Eckert, **Monterey County**
Nani Ellis, **Alpine County (Alternate)**
Amy Ellis, **Placer County**
Donnell Ewert, **Shasta County**
Scott Gillman, **San Mateo County**
Amanda Greenberg, **Mono (Alternate)**
Paige Greene, **Shasta County (Alternate)**
Tony Hobson, **Plumas County**
Sharon Jones, **Merced County (Alternate)**
Veronica Kelley, **San Bernardino County**
Scott Kennelly, **Butte County**
Hillary Kunins, **San Francisco City & County**
Stacy Kuwahara, **Kern County**
Karen Larsen, **Yolo County**
Lisa Lewis, **Kings County**
Karen Lovato, **Mendocino County (Alternate)**
Priya Mathew, **Nevada County (Alternate)**
Todd Metcalf, **Lake County**
Connie Moreno-Peraza, **Madera County**
Toni Navarro, **Tri-City**
Brett O’Brien, **Orange County (Alternate)**
Kevin Panyanouvong, **Stanislaus County (Alternate)**
Leticia Plancarte-Garcia, **Imperial County**
Ryan Quist, **Sacramento County**
Anne Robin, **San Luis Obispo County**
Jonathan Sherin, **Los Angeles County**
Sandra Sinz, **Solano County**
Suzanne Tavano, **Contra Costa County**
Karyn Tribble, **Alameda County**
Yvette Willock, **Los Angeles County (Alternate)**

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

CALMHSA STAFF PRESENT

Amie Miller, Executive Director
Laura Li, Chief Administrative Officer
Don Ngyuen, Chief Financial Officer
Dawn Kaiser, Director of Managed Care Operations
Lucero Robles, Director of Quality Assurance and Compliance
Jeremy Wilson, Program Director & PIO
Julia Byrd, Administrative Manager
Brittany Ganguly, Program Manager
Michael Helmick, Program Manager
Mary Scheid, Senior Accountant/ Controller
Armando Bastida, Administrative Analyst
Jessica Bell, Program Coordinator
Lorena Campos, Associate Program Coordinator
Brandon Connors, Contract Specialist
Katie Daley, Senior Administrative Assistant
Aileen Dizon, Training Specialist
Kathryn Gonzalez, Accountant
Candice Medina, Program Coordinator
Erik Olson, Web Developer
Chris Watson, IT System Administrator

OTHERS PRESENT

Randall Keen, Legal Counsel, Manatt, Phelps, & Phillips, LLP
Antoinette Bedros, Manatt, Phelps, & Phillips, LLP
Julie Tugend, Organizational Development Consultant
Chris Hershey, Cause Comm
Michelle Cabrera, CBHDA

AGENDA

A. Open Session

1. Call to Order

Amie Miller, CalMHSA Executive Director informed participants that President Dawan Utecht would not be able to attend the meeting. CalMHSA Treasurer, Ruben Imperial, called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 12:06 P.M. on Wednesday, June 30, 2021. Mr. Imperial directed Laura Li, Chief Administrative Officer of CalMHSA, to take roll.

2. Roll Call and Instructions

Ms. Li tallied Board Members and Alternates in attendance and found a quorum of the full Board of Directors was established.

3. Instructions for public comment and stakeholder input

Ms. Li reviewed the instructions for public comment and noted that items not on the agenda would be reserved for public comment at the end of the agenda. Public comment is called for after each agenda item. Laura Li instructed individuals on the phone to email Laura Li at laura.li@calmhsa.org to indicate which item they wish to address.

4. **Closed Session:** (*Gov. Code § 54957.7(a)*) The CalMHSa Board of Directors may meet in closed session as permitted by Government Code Section 54957(b).
- a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – Initiation of litigation pursuant to Gov. Code section 54956.9(d)(4): (one matter)

5. **Open Session:**

Ms. Li announced that Members of the Committee would meet in closed session. All nonmembers were moved to the Zoom Meeting waiting room. Upon completion of the closed session, members of the public and staff were re-admitted to the meeting and Randall Keen, Legal Counsel for CalMHSa, noted there was nothing to report publicly.

6. **Consent Calendar**

Mr. Imperial acknowledged the consent calendar, consisting of the Meeting Minutes from the May 13, 2021, Board of Directors Meeting, Ratification of Audit Committee, and Ratification of Auditor. Mr. Imperial asked for comments from Board members. Hearing no comments or questions, he asked for a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Upon hearing the motion and second, Mr. Imperial directed Members to vote.

Action: *Approval of consent calendar.*

Motion: *Ryan Quist, Sacramento County*
Second: *Karyn Tribble, Alameda County*

No public comment was heard.

Vote:
Yes – 36 Votes.

Karyn Tribble, Alameda County	Stacy Kuwahara, Kern County	Priya Mathew, Nevada County	Scott Gillman, San Mateo County
Nani Ellis, Alpine County	Todd Metcalf, Lake County	Brett O'Brien, Orange County	Donnell Ewert, Shasta County
Scott Kennelley, Butte County	Jonathan Sherin, Los Angeles County	Amy Ellis, Placer County	Sarah Collard, Siskiyou County
Wendy Alt, Calaveras County	Jei Africa, Marin County	Tony Hobson, Plumas County	Sandra Sinz, Solano County
Suzanne Tavano, Contra Costa County	Karen Lovato, Mendocino County	Ryan Quist, Sacramento County	Bill Carter, Sonoma County
Nicole Ebrahimi-Nuyken, El Dorado County	Sharon Jones, Merced County	Veronica Kelley, San Bernardino County	Ruben Imperial, Stanislaus County
Ahmed Bahrami, Fresno County	Amanda Greenberg, Mono County	Luke Bergmann, San Diego County	Toni Navarro, Tri-City
Emi Botzler-Rodgers, Humboldt County	Katy Eckert, Monterey County	Hillary Kunins, San Francisco City & County	Connie Cessna Smith, Trinity County
Leticia Plancarte-Garcia, Imperial County	Valerie Cahill, Napa County	Anne Robin, San Luis Obispo County	Karen Larsen, Yolo County

No – None Identified.
Abstentions – Connie Moreno Peraza, Madera County

Motion Passes.

7. CalMHSA Proposed Annual Budget Effective July 1, 2021

Mr. Imperial, also Chair of the CalMHSA Finance Committee, introduced the Proposed Annual Budget on page 12 of the Agenda Packet. The Chair asked for comments from Board members. Hearing no comments or questions, he asked for a motion to approve the Budget. Upon hearing the motion and second, Mr. Imperial directed Members to vote.

Action: *Accept Finance Committee's recommendation to approve the Proposed Annual Budget Effective July 1, 2021.*

Motion: *Karen Larsen, Yolo County*
Second: *Todd Metcalf, Lake County*

No public comment was heard.

Vote:
Yes – 36 Votes.

Karyn Tribble, Alameda County	Stacy Kuwahara, Kern County	Valerie Cahill, Napa County	Anne Robin, San Luis Obispo County
Nani Ellis, Alpine County	Todd Metcalf, Lake County	Priya Mathew, Nevada County	Scott Gillman, San Mateo County
Scott Kennelley, Butte County	Jonathan Sherin, Los Angeles County	Brett O'Brien, Orange County	Sarah Collard, Siskiyou County
Wendy Alt, Calaveras County	Connie Moreno-Peraza, Madera County	Amy Ellis, Placer County	Sandra Sinz, Solano County
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No – None Identified.
Abstentions – None Identified.

Motion Passes.

8. Officers / Executive Committee / Finance Committee Election

Dr. Miller explained the Nominating Committee convened to fill committee vacancies and presented the proposed slate in compliance with CalMHSA's bylaws. Mr. Imperial asked for comments from Board members. Hearing no comments or questions, he asked for a motion to approve the Budget. Upon hearing the motion and second, Mr. Imperial directed Members to vote.

Action: *Approval of the proposed slate of Officers, Executive Committee Members, and Finance Committee Members.*

Motion: *Leticia Plancarte-Garcia, Imperial County*
Second: *Karyn Tribble, Alameda County*

Vote:
Yes – 37 Votes.

Karyn Tribble, Alameda County	Todd Metcalf, Lake County	Brett O'Brien, Orange County	Sarah Collard, Siskiyou County
Scott Kennelley, Butte County	Jonathan Sherin, Los Angeles County	Amy Ellis, Placer County	Sandra Sinz, Solano County
Wendy Alt, Calaveras County	Connie Moreno-Peraza, Madera County	Tony Hobson, Plumas County	Bill Carter, Sonoma County
Suzanne Tavano, Contra Costa County	Jei Africa, Marin County	Ryan Quist, Sacramento County	Ruben Imperial, Stanislaus County
Nicole Ebrahimi-Nuyken, El Dorado County	Karen Lovato, Mendocino County	Veronica Kelley, San Bernardino County	Toni Navarro, Tri-City
Ahmed Bahrami, Fresno County	Sharon Jones, Merced County	Luke Bergmann, San Diego County	Connie Cessna Smith, Trinity County
Emi Botzler-Rodgers, Humboldt County	Amanda Greenberg, Mono County	Hillary Kunins, San Francisco City & County	Karen Larsen, Yolo County
Leticia Plancarte-Garcia, Imperial County	Katy Eckert, Monterey County	Anne Robin, San Luis Obispo County	
Stacy Kuwahara, Kern County	Valerie Cahill, Napa County	Scott Gillman, San Mateo County	
Lisa Lewis, Kings County	Priya Mathew, Nevada County	Donnell Ewert, Shasta County	

No – None Identified.
Abstentions – None Identified.

Motion Passes.

9. California Mental Health Equity Project

Dr. Miller briefed the committee on the potential contract with the Center for Applied Research Solutions (CARS). CalMHSA would serve as member for the Training Assistance Collaborative (TAC), assisting with outreach to County Behavioral Health Departments and their Staff with a goal of creating tools to support and streamline the development of stakeholder engagement plans. This is a two-year project which will begin July 1, 2021, pending Board approval. Mr. Imperial asked for comments from Board members. Hearing no comments or questions, he asked for a motion to approve the Budget. Upon hearing the motion and second, Mr. Imperial directed Members to vote.

Action: Approve CalMHSA to enter into a contract, not to exceed \$200,000, with Center for Applied Research Solutions (CARS).

Motion: Anne Robin, San Luis Obispo
Second: Connie Moreno-Peraza, Madera County

No public comment was heard.

Vote:
Yes – 37 Votes.

Karyn Tribble, Alameda County	Todd Metcalf, Lake County	Brett O'Brien, Orange County	Sarah Collard, Siskiyou County
Nani Ellis, Alpine County	Jonathan Sherin, Los Angeles County	Amy Ellis, Placer County	Sandra Sinz, Solano County
Scott Kennelley, Butte County	Connie Moreno-Peraza, Madera County	Tony Hobson, Plumas County	Bill Carter, Sonoma County
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Sharon Jones, Merced County, Dorado County	Luke Bergmann, San Diego County	Connie Cessna Smith, Trinity County
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Stacy Kuwahara, Kern County	Priya Mathew, Nevada County	Donnell Ewert, Shasta County

No – None Identified.

Abstentions – None Identified.

Motion Passes.

10. WET Regional Partnerships

Executive Director Miller explained CalMHSA has had longstanding Workforce Education and Training (WET) regional partnerships with different models for each region in collaborations with California's Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD). CalMHSA aims to enter into a new agreement with a different business model; accepting funds directly on behalf of the Bay Area Counties (Alameda, City of Berkeley, Contra Costa, Marin, Monterey, Napa, San Benito, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, Sonoma) to help facilitate and expedite the WET work. Dr. Miller introduced Jeremy Wilson, Program Director, CalMHSA who informed the Board that should other opportunities arise, CalMHSA will be able to pursue them more efficiently. The Executive Director clarified that Peer Support is a separate initiative to these Partnerships. Mr. Imperial asked for comments from Board members. Hearing no comments or questions, he asked for a motion to approve the Budget. Upon hearing the motion and second, Mr. Imperial directed Members to vote.

Action: Approve CalMHSA to enter into agreements for the support and administration of existing or future workforce, education, training, and development projects to support behavioral health retention, expansion, or improvement activities.

Motion: Toni Navarro, Tri-City

Second: Bill Carter, Sonoma County

No public comment was heard.

Vote:

Yes – 37 Votes.

Karyn Tribble, Alameda County	Todd Metcalf, Lake County	Brett O'Brien, Orange County	Sarah Collard, Siskiyou County
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Stacy Kuwahara, Kern County	Valerie Cahill, Napa County	Scott Gillman, San Mateo County	

No – None Identified.
Abstentions – None Identified.

Motion Passes.

11. President’s Report

12. Executive Director’s Report

Dr. Miller delivered her report, previewing some items that will be brought before the board in the future.


13. Public Comments

Ms. Li invited members of the public to make comments on non-agenda items.

Public comments from the following individual(s):
None.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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DAWAN UTECHT
President, CalMHSAs

9/16/2021

DATE