

**STATE BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES
MEETING MINUTES**

October 7, 2016

**Region 10 Community Services,
502 Old Lynchburg Rd, Charlottesville, VA**

Friday, October 7

REGULAR MEETING

Members Present

Paula N. Mitchell **Chair**, Col. (Ret.) Gretta Doering **Vice-Chair**, The Hon. Amelia Ross-Hammond, Ph.D., James Reinhard, M.D., Calendria Jones, Jennifer Spangler, Sandra Price-Stroble, Elizabeth Hilscher, Jack Bruggeman

Members Absent

None

Staff Present

Jack Barber, Interim Commissioner
Connie Cochran, Assistant Commissioner, Developmental Services
Will Frank, Legislative Affairs Director
Paul Gilding, Director, Community Contracting
Mary Clair O'Hara, Quality and Risk Management
Gail Taylor, Director Office of Behavioral Health Wellness
Colleen Hughes, Office of Behavioral Health Wellness

**Call to Order and
Introductions**

At 9:40 a.m. Chair Paula Mitchell called the meeting to order and called for introductions of those present.

Approval of Agenda

The Board unanimously adopted the October 7, 2016 meeting agenda.

**Approval of Draft
Minutes**

The Board reviewed the draft minutes of the July 12-13, 2016 meeting. The minutes were approved.

Public Comment

The Chair called for public comments. No public comments were offered; although.

**Interim
Commissioner's
Report**

Interim Commissioner Jack Barber, M.D., offered a report on current efforts of DBHDS including budget efforts, hospital capacity, and system transformation. Dr. Barber explained agency efforts with STEP VA and to move forward with Same Day Access proposals.

Dr. Barber also explained the agency's efforts to reduce those on the extraordinary barriers list and attempts to relieve hospital bed capacity problems.

Regulatory Actions	Mary Clare O'Hara, Division of Quality Management and Development, reviewed the schedule of regulatory actions and the Board voted to fast track the VESC permanent regulations.
Waiver Redesign Update	Connie Cochran, Assistant Commissioner for Developmental Services, updated the board on the recent implementation of the new revised waiver. He explained that this happened due to Virginia being able to get waivers through CMS process quickly. The new waivers took effect on September 1 and some complications have been addressed. A new system called WAMS was established to deal with the new waivers.
Office of Behavioral Health Wellness Update	Gail Taylor and Colleen Hughes, DBHDS Office of Behavioral Health and wellness provided a presentation on the office and their efforts. They explained the office's history and role. They explained the Strategic Prevention Framework and data collection. They also showed slides on their efforts to map out stores that sell tobacco and to help prevent underage tobacco use.
Lunch Break	The Board took one hour to take a tour of Region 10 and a break for lunch.
Committee Reports	Paul Gilding, Director of Community Contracting reviewed board policies that needed to be acted on. The board voted in a block to approve three policies. Local Match Requirements for Community Services Boards, Core Services, 22 Services for Individuals with Co-occurring Disorders. The Board voted to approve these policies.
Liaison Assignments & Liaison Reports	Board members presented reports of their Board activity since the December Board meeting. Sandra Price-Stroble visited the Humans Rights Council meeting in Wytheville and other HRC meetings, she also visited the Harrisonburg CSB; Paula Mitchell attended a Blue Ridge Behavioral Health CSB meeting and a SINAR meeting, she also attended the recovery conference in Roanoke; Gretta Doering attended the VACSB and ARC conferences; Jack Bruggeman attended the Fairfax Falls Church CSB meeting and heard frustrations with the new WAMS system; Jennifer Spangler had nothing to report; Beth Hilscher attended the NAMI forum on the death penalty; Amelia Ross-Hammond attended an Out of the Darkness event.
Next Meeting Information	The next meeting will be November 30 and December 1 in Richmond. The Board decided to start the meeting on Wednesday November 30 to have more time for the Committee meetings.

Adjournment

Having no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.