

STATE BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

December 1, 2016

DBHDS Central State Office, 13th Floor Main Conference
Room, Jefferson Building 1220 Bank Street, Richmond, VA

Thursday,
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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, Sandra Price-Stroble, Elizabeth Hilscher, Jack Bruggeman

Members Absent

Jennifer Spangler

Staff Present

Jack Barber, Interim Commissioner
Will Frank, Legislative Affairs Director
Paul Gilding, Director, Community Contracting
Ruth Anne Walker, Regulatory Coordinator

**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.

Public Comment

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

Regulatory Actions

Ruth Anne Walker reviewed the schedule of regulatory actions.

Legislative Update

Will Frank provided the legislative update including session preparations and emerging 2017 session proposals. Holly Mortlock provided a policy office update on Virginia behavioral health public policy issues and outlook for General Assembly Session 2017.

**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. He also addressed the possibility of efforts towards Medicaid Expansion. DOJ Settlement and Waiver redesign moving ahead as planned. Some problems with the electronic system.

Dr. Barber discussed the events leading to the decertification of nursing facility at CVTC and expected publicity, EBL list, jail waiting list issues, especially in Hampton Roads areas, and hospital challenges.

Dr. Barber explained the agency's efforts to reduce those on the extraordinary barriers list and attempts to relieve hospital bed capacity problems, and STEP- VA. He also addressed the need to develop service

availability for individuals who are not covered by Medicaid as well as workforce issues and efforts to attract and retain talented staff.

Dr. Barber also discussed ideas for a public relations video campaign about the success of DBHDS efforts on training center transfers to the community. The Board expressed support for efforts to share positive outcomes of DBHDS programs and initiatives.

Lunch Break

Committee Reports

The Policy and Evaluation Committee met on November 30th, and reviewed three board policies under review. The Committee updated the Policy1036 and presented to the Board for their approval. Sandra Price-Stroble motioned to approve the revised policy. Calendria Jones seconded the motion and the board unanimously approved. Will Frank gave the Budget report and discussed the revised Comprehensive State Plan.

The Board discussed possible 2017 meeting dates and locations.

Next Meeting Information

April 12, 2017, Location Winchester

Adjournment

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