



LA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COMMISSION (BHC)  
 “Advocacy, Accountability, and Oversight in Action”  
 Michael Molina, Chair, Presiding

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

<b>MEETING DATE</b>	03/27/25		
<b>START TIME</b>	12:00pm	<b>ADJOURNMENT TIME:</b>	
<b>LOCATION</b>	510 South Vermont Avenue, (T) Level Conference Room, Los Angeles, CA 90020		
<b>ATTACHMENTS</b>	<a href="#">MEETING RECORDING LINK</a>	<a href="#">PUBLIC COMMENT DOCUMENT LINK</a>	<a href="#">AGENDA</a>

<a href="#">IN ATTENDANCE</a>		<a href="#">ABSENT</a>
<b>Commissioner Name</b>		
Brittney Weissman, First Vice Chair, Kathleen Austria, Member-at-Large, and Victor Manalo, Member-at-Large		Jacqueline Sandoval-Valenzuela, Member-at-Large and Michael Molina, Chair
<b>QUORUM PRESENT: YES</b>	<b>APPROVAL:</b> YES. Motion made by Commissioner Manalo. Seconded by Commissioner Austria. Minutes approved on 4/24/25.	
	<b>ADJOURNMENT:</b> 1:05 PM	

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<b>CONSENT AGENDA (Item #4)</b>		
a. Approval of minutes of the November 07, 2024, meeting b. <a href="#">DMH BOS Updates</a>	All items approved. Motion made by Commissioner Manalo. Seconded by Commissioner Austria.	
<b>NEW BUSINESS (Item #5)</b>		
a. 2025-2026 Upcoming Board Election Process – Appointment of Nomination Committee	<b>Discussion</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioners Weissman and Molina volunteered for the Nominations Committee. The committee will be presented to the full commission on 4/10 for ratification.</li> <li>• The interest survey for submission of nominations was emailed</li> </ul>	



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	<p>to the full Commission for self-nomination or to nominate others. As of today, there are no nominations submitted. Commissioner Weissman highlighted that the current Chair, Molina, and the current Vice Chair, Weissman are part of the Nominations Committee which excludes them from being part of the Executive Committee again. She encouraged her colleagues to volunteer and hopes this will encourage more nominations.</p>	
b. <a href="#">BH Commission Budget Report</a>	<p><b>Discussion:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Commissioner Weissman noted there are significant cost savings in the budget for this current fiscal year. Most of the funds will be directed toward town halls where she encourages collaboration with SAPC and other department staff.</li><li>• Commissioner Austria agreed to hold a town hall to discuss the state and federal changes currently taking place, as they may impact the funding process.</li></ul> <p><b>Proposal for an additional town hall:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Commissioner Weissman suggested hosting a hybrid town hall or public forum at a school or health campus to raise awareness about the transition from MHSA to BHSA.</li><li>• The goal is to involve new members of the public, beyond usual stakeholders, while maintaining transparency of the transition.</li><li>• Commissioners asked for guidance from BHSA leadership to quickly create a proposal to present to the BH Commission.</li><li>• The event should be completed by the end of June, requiring early budgeting and planning.</li><li>• Kenia will oversee the logistics of organizing the town hall.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pending suggestions for venue options.</li><li>• Kenia will collaborate with the BHSA team to gather ideas and report back to the committee for final decisions.</li></ul>



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c. Discuss SAPC-BHC Orientation Plan	<p><b>Discussion:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioners and the public need to be informed and educated about SAPC and its role in the BHS.</li> <li>• Commissioner Weissman prefers hosting SAPC presentations at Regular meetings for collective learning,</li> <li>• Commissioner Manalo suggested a deep dive during the retreat in August.</li> <li>• Commissioner Roache recommended extending Dr. Tsai’s presentation time by at least 20 minutes and moving his time to the end of the meeting to ensure enough information is delivered.</li> <li>• Commissioner Austria and SAPC staff agreed that adding 30 minutes to Regular Meetings is reasonable, to ensure it will not interfere with work schedules.</li> <li>• Commissioner Roache suggested creating YouTube videos for the public and for commissioners to access to reserve the meeting time for follow up questions.</li> </ul> <p><b>Decisions and Requests:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAPC presentations may begin in May.</li> <li>• A decision was made to allocate 30-45 minutes additional minutes to the Commission regular meetings for the months of May-July and 2 hours at the retreat in August.</li> <li>• Chair Molina has extended the retreat invitation to the Commission on Alcohol and Other Drugs (CAOD) Commission for a meet and greet with the BHC.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAPC staff will confirm Dr. Tsai’s availability to present.</li> <li>• SAPC to provide a schedule of content and further explore the video series idea.</li> </ul>
d. <a href="#">BHC Topics of Interest List</a>	<p><b>Discussion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The list will now include a standing item for SAPC.</li> <li>• Commissioner Weissman pointed out that the transition of</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kenia will add the standing item for SAPC.</li> <li>• Kenia will move the</li> </ul>



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	<p>MHSA to BHSa will shift the BHC’s priorities, which will require the BHC to learn a lot of new information.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kenia cautioned against moving Jasier Franklin’s presentation, as Commissioner Steven expressed strong interest in it. The presentation has been scheduled for the Regular Meeting in May.</li> <li>• Commissioner Weissman requested reorganizing the list to standing items first and then Ad Hoc topics.</li> <li>• The items around UsCCs have been in place for a long time, suggestion for Commissioner Roache to revise the approach.</li> <li>• Kenia noted that all the groups in the items list are notified and invited to present in the meetings.</li> </ul>	<p>MHSA Recap to the end of the calendar year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kenia will reorganize the list with standing items first, followed by Ad Hoc topics.</li> <li>• Commissioner Roache will reevaluate the item related to UsCC.</li> </ul>
<p>e. Process and Selection of Three BHC At-Large-Members – Update</p>	<p><b>Discussion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There are seven applicants so far, however, no applications submitted for the under 25 years old criteria.</li> <li>• The application has been sent to the Youth Development Office and other organizations that work with youth.</li> <li>• The Executive Committee will continue to move forward with the applicants and continue to take applications on a rolling basis.</li> <li>• Commissioner Weissman suggested making another attempt at marketing the position.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kenia will create separate dockets per category.</li> <li>• Kenia will ask the Youth Development Office where the application can be sent.</li> </ul>
<p>f. MHSA Updates Public Hearing Outreach Efforts</p>	<p><b>Discussion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair Molina requested an update on the status of updating the community and public about MHSA.</li> <li>• MHSA staff has been using their current contact list and PIO as tools to let the public know MHSA planning is starting on March 28<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kenia will share the flyer and prompt with the BH commissioners.</li> </ul>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioner Weissman suggested sending the flyer to the coalitions and groups the commissioners are part of.</li> </ul>	
g. BH Commission Annual Report to L.A. County Board of Supervisors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reminder that the commission is required to submit an annual report to the Board of Supervisors.</li> <li>• Commissioner Weissman suggested creating a subcommittee to draft the letter.</li> <li>• Kenia suggested Commissioner Manalo’s Ad Hoc takes the lead.</li> </ul> <p><b>Decision:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioner Manalo will take the lead in drafting the letter with the assistance of Kenia and other support staff.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kenia will share the last two reports with Commissioner Manalo.</li> </ul>
h. Discuss April 10, 2025, agenda	<p><b>Decision:</b>            Agenda for March 13, 2025, was agreed on as detailed on item 5h.</p>	