



MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION (MHC) REGULAR MEETING

“Advocacy, Accountability and Oversight in Action”

Michael Molina, Chair, Fourth District, Presiding

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date: April 11, 2024
Time: 12 Noon
Location: 510 S Vermont Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90020
Attachments: [Meeting Recording](#) / [Public Comment Transcript](#)

MEETING TYPE:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular	<input type="checkbox"/> Special
MINUTES TYPE:	<input type="checkbox"/> Proposed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved

Minutes approved on: Minutes approved on June 6, 2024. Motion made by Commissioner Manalo, seconded by Commissioner Weissman.

1. CALL TO ORDER

a. Meeting started @ 12 noon

2. ROLL CALL/WELCOME

MHC Member Attendance:

Commissioner Root (A), Commissioner Austria (P), Commissioner Molina (P), Commissioner Manalo (P), Commissioner Weissman (P) – **QUORUM**

PRESENT

Absent (A); Present (P)

3. PUBLIC COMMENT - Opportunity for members of the public to address the Mental Health Commission.

Osbee Sangster addressed the Commission by phone.

Attachments: [Public Comment Transcript](#)

4. CONSENT AGENDA

a. Approval of Minutes of the March 14, 2024, Meeting
March 14, 2024, minutes approved by unanimous vote (moved by Commissioner Manalo, seconded by Commissioner Austria)

b. DMH BOS Updates, (Crystal Kibby, Board Liaison) See link.
[DMH Updates for the MHC Executive Committee \(April 11, 2024\)](#)

c. *MHC Budget Report (Kenia)*

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. *Discuss April 25, 2024, regular meeting, and town hall agenda. Items for consideration:*



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- i. *CALL TO ORDER*
 - ii. *ROLL CALL/WELCOME*
 - iii. **CONSENT AGENDA**
 1. Approval of minutes of the March 28, 2024, meeting
 2. DMH Legislative Update
 3. DMH Finance Update
 - a. MHC Budget Report (Kenia)
 4. DMH Constituent Report Follow-up
Question-Commissioner Weissman: Do we need the consent agenda items; legislative update, MHSA Act update, and discussion on the recommendation letter? If people want to make comments, they can use public comment.
 - iv. **STANDING ITEMS**
 1. DMH Director Updates
 - v. **NEW BUSINESS**
 1. MHC Chair Introduction
 2. BOS Representative Introduction
MHC invited Supervisors Hahn and Mitchell to the SA 8 Town Hall on April 25, 2024.
 3. Service Area 8 Leadership Introduction
 4. Executive Committee Officers Election
 - a. Ratification of Nominations Committee
 5. Update on 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline
Representatives from DMH Alternate Crisis Response Program will provide the update on 988.
 - vi. *PUBLIC COMMENT*
- 6. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OFFICERS ELECTION FY 2024-2025**
- a. ***Establish Nominations Committee***
Commissioner Stevens will submit her name to join the Nomination Committee for the upcoming 2024-2025 election. One more person is needed.
Comment-Weissman: To avoid previous year issues, is there a parliamentarian to pre-approve the order of operations planned for the actual election.
- 7. MHC RETREAT** – Tentative date 8/14 or 8/15 2024
Kenia will create a list of venues to select for the retreat in 2024. Arcadia, South Coast Botanical Gardens, Arboretum, Endowment, Liberty Community Plaza are a few venues to choose.



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8. REVIEW OF THE MHC TOPICS OF INTEREST LIST

Discussion: Commissioner Weissman stated Dr. Wong expressed interest in hosting a meeting during the summer for SALT Co-Chairs, DMH staff assigned to service areas, a consultant to oversee various budgets and expenditure plans to discuss how we go about processing next fiscal year. Kenia confirmed the meeting will be held in addition to the MHC meeting on July 25, 2024, scheduled as the SALT budget workshop.

In June the focus is on housing, beds, and other issues. Commissioner Weissman's name is listed on the Topics of Interest list under Housing and Homeless. She was asked to assist in shaping what the reports should be and how the meeting takes place. In August we are looking at hosting a retreat, September we look to SA 6.

Chair Molina stated Theresa Comstock, Executive Director, CAL/BHBC is willing to come and present a state level presentation on Proposition 1. Chair Molina will work with Kenia to arrange the visit in May or June.

9. DMH MHSA RECOMMENDATION LETTER –

MHC reviewed the first draft of the recommendation letter for submission to the BOS and DMH Director. Chair asked Commissioners who wish to provide further information, questions, clarifications to email Kenia with their information. MHC will wrap the letter up in one week, forward the letter to Dr. Wong for an opportunity to respond.

Comment-Commissioner Manalo: Reading over the letter reflects accurately of what we talked about at the town hall meetings.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS – *Next time we meet is April 25, 2024, at SA 8 Town Hall, City of Carson.*

11. ADJOURNMENT @ 12:41pm