



**San Bernardino County  
Behavioral Health Commission  
General Session Meeting Minutes**

**Date: Thursday, May 02, 2024  
Time: 12:00pm – 2:00pm**

**Minutes Recorded and Transcribed by: Brittny Rodriguez, Office Assistant III**

OPENING REMARKS	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
A. Call to Order	Chair, Dr. Monica Caffey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting called to order.</li> </ul>
B. Pledge of Allegiance	Vice Chair, Michael Grabhorn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Led group in Pledge of Allegiance.</li> </ul>
C. Roll Call – BH Commission/ Introductions	Chair, Dr. Monica Caffey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conducted roll call.</li> </ul>
D. Welcome and Introductions	Chair, Dr. Monica Caffey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welcomed attendees and led introductions.</li> </ul>
INFORMATION ITEM(S)		
E. Review / Approve Minutes from 04/04/2024.	Chair, Dr. Monica Caffey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minutes were reviewed, motion to approve was made by Commissioner Grabhorn and seconded by Commissioner Graham. Motion was approved.</li> </ul>
F. Public Comment	<p>Helen Beyene</p> <p>Chair, Dr. Monica Caffey</p> <p>Maria Estevez</p> <p>Garth Peasant Sr.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Beyene issued a public comment regarding concerns and grievances she has with FSP, and CRT. She stated her daughter needs help and that although these programs are trying, they need to do more than try. She went on to state that DBH needs something for repeat crises and to ensure all parties are working together and prescribing the correct medication as in her daughter’s case one medication has continued to have negative side effects.</li> <li>Asked for DBH to follow up regarding Ms. Beyene’s comment, give resolution, and report back to the Commission next month.</li> <li>Gave update on Clubhouse’s Hesperia Lake outing and invited Commissioners to attend Clubhouse’s upcoming Cinco De Mayo/Wellness event next Tuesday.</li> <li>Mr. Peasant issued a public comment regarding the challenges accessing the San Bernardino County Housing Authority online</li> </ul>





	Troy Mondragon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participated in Aprils Directing Change judging event and will be attending Mays event.</li> <li>• Encouraged attendees to attend the 3rd District DAC meeting.</li> </ul>
	Timothy Brown	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expressed appreciation for everyone’s attendance, and expressed how happy and excited he was to see so many attendees for May Mental Health month.</li> <li>• Issued condolences to Dr. Caffey regarding her father’s passing.</li> <li>• Issued his condolences regarding Gil Navarro’s passing.</li> </ul>
	Michael Grabhorn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expressed gratitude and appreciation to Public Relations for the decorations.</li> <li>• Congratulated the young man in attendance who was graduating from the STAY program.</li> <li>• Stated he developed a Mental Health Resource for Inland Empire document that can be viewed online at kcalfm.com as well as kolafm.com, and that DJs from both stations will be referencing the document and where to view it.</li> <li>• Stated he will be attending the Directing Change Awards Ceremony as well as the Meet the Artist exhibition.</li> <li>• Attended Drug Coalition with Kirk Emrick in Apple Valley.</li> <li>• Met with DBH Admin about mental health resources in the High Desert.</li> <li>• Participated in a smoke shop assessment for the Drug Coalition.</li> <li>• Attended Crime Victims Memorial.</li> <li>• Stated Tuesday May 7<sup>th</sup> is National Fentanyl awareness day and there will be a presentation by the High Desert Community Coalition about fentanyl, that will feature Narcan training, and Narcan distribution.</li> </ul>
	Dr. Akin Merino	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expressed gratitude for the decorations and the wonderful turn out.</li> <li>• Expressed appreciation for all the STAY/TAYmembers attending the meeting.</li> </ul>





<p>STAY/TAY Youth Performance</p>	<p>Andre Bossieux &amp; Youth from STAY/TAY Program</p> <p>Director, Dr. Yoshioka</p> <p>Veatrice Jews</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Youth from the STAY/TAY program performed a dance number and gave testimony as to how dance is beneficial to them and their mental health.</li> <li>Dr. Yoshioka invited the performing individuals to perform at the upcoming Evening with the Stars event.</li> <li>Read poem “What is success” by Ralph Emerson in remembrance of Commissioner Gil Navarro.</li> </ul>
<p><b>ACTION ITEM(S)</b></p>		
<p>J. New Business</p> <p>K. Director’s Report</p>	<p>Director, Dr. Georgina Yoshioka</p> <p>Miranda Canseco</p> <p>Maribel Gutierrez</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No new business to discuss.</li> <li>Expressed gratitude for the Commission and all their hard work, as well as her excitement to see so many attendees this month. Stated she hopes to see everyone at the various upcoming events in celebration of Mental Health month.</li> <li>Stated the Directing Change Award Ceremony will be held May 11<sup>th</sup> in Redlands. They will be screening the various films entered and offering popcorn.</li> <li>Stated on May 16<sup>th</sup> there will be the Meet the Artist Exhibition at the San Bernardino County Museum in Redlands, if your unable to attend the opening reception the exhibition will run through the entire month of May.</li> <li>Stated on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 1pm at the Victor Valley Museum there will be a family panel for the Into the Light exhibition which runs through June 30<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>Stated closing out May Mental Health Month will be the Evening with the Stars. It is a formal event with a roaring twenties theme, featuring guest speaker Cristina Meredith. Please register online to attend.</li> <li>Stated the Office of Equity and Inclusion will be hosting a training “Engaging the Muslim Community” May 22<sup>nd</sup>. This is a six-hour training course that does provide continuing education credit and will be held in person at 1950 Sunwest, WET Institute.</li> </ul>



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	Chair, Dr. Monica Caffey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>With no further business or discussion meeting adjourned.</li> </ul>
<b>Next Meeting</b>		<b>DATE/TIME:</b> Thursday, June 6, 2024,   12:00pm to 2:00pm <b>LOCATION:</b> 850 E. Foothill Blvd, Rialto, CA 92376

ATTENDANCE					
FIRST DISTRICT	SECOND DISTRICT	THIRD DISTRICT	FOURTH DISTRICT	FIFTH DISTRICT	Board Representative Col. Paul Cook
Lorrie Denson <i>Absent - Extended Leave</i>	Dr. Valerie Samuel <i>Absent</i>	Troy Mondragon <i>Present</i>	Dr. Monica Caffey <i>Present</i>	Gil Navarro	Samuel Shoup <i>Present</i>
Michael Grabhorn <i>Present</i>	Jennifer Oglesby <i>Absent</i>	Allie Mink <i>Present</i>	Jennifer Spence <i>Present</i>	Veatrice Jews <i>Present</i>	
Pastor Mark Graham <i>Present</i>	VACANT	Timothy Brown <i>Present</i>	Dr. Akin Merino <i>Present</i>	Lynn Summers <i>Absent</i>	

GUESTS
Marybel Valadez, Georgina Yoshioka, Marina Espinosa, Jennifer Alsina, John Granado, Amber Carpenter, Dr. Alyce Belford, Dr. Joshua Taylor, Jule Hale, Jolena Grider, Lizette Vazquez, Amika Lydia, Arthur Shaw III, Nicole Hamrung, Bryan Carid, Marissa Vasquez, Melanie Porges, Brenee Sayson, Diane Torres, Cathy Dye, Ulysses Valor, Maribel Gutierrez, Gabriel Horm, Sharon Navarro, Natalie Sanders, Samuel Rosales, Alicia Harris, Christopher Schreur, Erica Ochoa, KC Hamilton, Karen Urquia, Bethanne Fishell, LeAnn Mast, Amber Carpenter, Teri Morrell, LiJannel Duncan, Maria Cerrito, Jorge Ruiz, Derrick Cannon, Rudy Armendariz, Cecilia Hernandez, Taria Saldana, Rene Keres, Helen Beyene, Rey French, Maria Herran, Connie Harrison, Bryan Clark, Laurette Ross, Metra Fabien, Mohem Partida, Kristen Mungcal, Garth Peasant Sr., Edith Lockerman, Vivian Bermudez, Rebecca Scott Young, Susan Abito, Arisbeth Whittenberger, Tracy Ornelas, Patricia Parker, Angel Espinoza, Mykayah Mackenzie, Ollie Espinoza, Fae Heister, Jalen Love, Maria Azeves, Mark Franks, Martha Parra, Scott Higa, Sonia Navarro, Jeanine Wyner, Martha Calderon Tanahoe, Rochelle Bernerte, Michelle Reynoso, Kellie Bougard London, Jennifer Arnold Weaver, Gilberta Ramirez, Erica Banks, Allison Cunningham, Lakeisha Mosby, Fabiola Yanez, Jordi Marquez, Liset Castaneda, Alice Alvarez, Spencer Fernandez, Amy Patrice, Fanya Lore, Lauren Henson, Maira Zayala, Iesha Gayot, Natalie Fagan, Charlene Lau, Matt Talley, Christina Skere, Stephanie Mares, Vicki Estelle, Alejandra Rodriguez, Alisha Hendy, Justine Rangel, Joshua Reed, Isues Smith, Melissa Bucarez, Marcela Rede, Brittany Rodriguez.