



## Region VII Behavioral Health Board (R7BHB) Meeting Minutes

**BEHAVIORAL  
HEALTH BOARD**  
REGION VII - EASTERN IDAHO

February 16, 2024 | 11:30 am to 1pm  
Eastern Idaho Public Health 1250 Hollipark Dr. Idaho Falls, ID 83401  
Community Health Classroom • ZOOM

**Board Members in Attendance (marked by an X):**

Sheriff Samuel Hulse, Chairman	Excused	Katie Dodge	X, Virtual
Darin Burrell, Vice Chair	X	Rick Whittaker	X
Dustin Park, Treasurer	X	Sara White	X, Virtual
Commissioner Eric Jackson, Secretary	X	Shawn LaPray	Unexcused
Ashley Stallings	X	Stephanie Taylor-Thompson	Unexcused
Chris Brayton	Unexcused	Teriann Ness-Parker, CMH Subcommittee Chair	X
Commissioner Brent Mendenhall	Unexcused	Tim Thompson	X
Commissioner Bryon Reed	X, Proxy Crista Henderson	Tina Ricks	X, Virtual
Donna Johnson	X		
Jerilyn Taylor	X, Virtual	Vacant – Parent of a Child with a SUD	
Joseph Corey Leishman	X, Virtual	Vacant – Licensed Physician or Health Practitioner	
Judge Michael Whyte	X	Vacant - Family Member of Substance Use Disorder Consumer	

**Others in attendance:**

In-person: Mallory Johnson, Alison Cruz, Timalee Geisler, Sean Waldron, Brenda Valle,

Virtual: Mary Wright, Jane Roberts, Aubree Loftis, Bella Brickner, Sylvia Belford, James McLain, Klarice Johnson, Ken Asay

- 11:30 AM    1. Welcome, Introductions, and Roll Call Darin Burrell, Vice Chair  
 Agenda Review and Call for Additional Agenda Items | **ACTION ITEM**  
 Approval of January 19, 2024 Meeting Minutes | **ACTION ITEM**

**Commissioner Jackson motioned to approve the January 19, 2024 meeting minutes. Donna Johnson seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed.**

- 11:35 AM    2. Financial Report Dustin Park

Financial report can be seen on the EIPH website.

11:40 AM 3. Children's Mental Health Subcommittee Report

Teriann Ness-Parker

Teriann gave an update from the CMH meeting. CMH Meeting minute notes can be found on Eastern Idaho Public Health's webpage.

11:50 PM 4. R7BHB Member Spotlight

Jerilyn Taylor

Jerilyn is an addiction counselor.

Judge Michael Whyte will do the spotlight for March.

12:00PM 5. Board Business | **ACTION ITEMS**

Darin Burrell

- Board Membership:
  - Parent of a Child with a Substance Use Disorder:  
Board Seat Discussion and Vote
    - Cannot vote on this at this time.
- CIT Budget
  - The CIT steering committee has met and wants to purchase challenge coins
  - Discussed the potential of a Salmon CIT training in Salmon, Idaho; the CIT trainers would then go to Salmon
  - Asked if they were going to have recovery coaches of the year at awards banquet

**Commissioner Eric Jackson motioned to approve the use of CIT funds to purchase challenge coins for appreciation and approve the training in Salmon Idaho. Rick Whittaker seconded. (Motion withdrawn)**

**Tim Thompsons motioned to approve the use of CIT funds to purchase challenge coins as well as provided training through Region 7 Behavioral Health Board Counties. Commissioner Jackson motioned to withdraw his motion. Rick Whittaker seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion passed.**

- Executive Meeting Report
  - Open Meeting Laws
  - If board members are absent 3 consecutive times whether or not they send a proxy, they can be asked to be excused from the board
  - Conflict of Interest forms will be passed out at the March meeting then the board will move to signing Conflict of Interest forms at the start of the fiscal year
  - County visits
- Conferences (ICADD, School Safety Summit, Idaho Integrated Behavioral Health Network)
  - No additional items on the school Safety Summit, the slide deck can be found on EIPHs website under R7BHB February meeting materials
  - R7BHB ICADD scholarship can be found here:  
<https://forms.office.com/r/LXNgiDf9FH>

**Teriann motioned to create a subcommittee to review the applications submitted for the ICADD conference scholarship. Dustin Park seconded. Teriann, Ashley Stallings, and Commissioner Jackson will make the selection subcommittee. ICADD scholarship form was finalized. Teriann amended her motion to create a subcommittee to review the applications submitted for the ICADD conference scholarship and to allow the subcommittee to make the final decision. Ashley Stallings seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed.**

**Dustin Park motions that board approve up to four (4) board members to attend the Idaho Integrated Behavioral Health conference and pay appropriate costs for attending the conference with the expectation that they present back to the board what they learn. Commissioner Jackson seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed.**

12:35 PM 6. 'Let's Talk: Evidence Based Suicide Prevention'  
Mental Health Coalition of Teton Valley Event Report Sara White

Moved to next month.

Mallory to send out the impact report to the board via email.

12:45 PM 7. Behavioral Health Crisis Center Data Report James McLain & Ken Asay

James McLain gave an update.

17 referrals from the ER in Eastern Idaho,

12:50 PM 8. Community Reports/Announcements Darin Burrell  
No items shared.

12:55 PM 9. Public Comment Darin Burrell

Empower Idaho webinars were shared:

<https://www.empoweridaho.org/education/provider-activities/>

<https://www.empoweridaho.org/education/consumer-activities/>

Empower Idaho nominations for their Behavioral Health award are now open.

1:00 PM 10. Adjourn Darin Burrell

**Ashley Stallings motioned to adjourn at 1:10pm. Donna Johnson seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed.**

Signatures: \_\_\_\_\_  
Samuel Hulse, Chair Darin Burrell, Vice Chair