



Region VII Behavioral Health Board (R7BHB) Meeting Minutes



March 15, 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	RSVP in-person	Katie Dodge	Virtual
Darin Burrell, Vice Chair	RSVP in-person	Rick Whittaker	Absent
Dustin Park, Treasurer	RSVP in-person	Sara White	RSVP in-person
Commissioner Eric Jackson, Secretary	Excused	Shawn LaPray	RSVP in-person
Ashley Stallings	RSVP in-person	Stephanie Taylor-Thompson	Virtual
Chris Brayton	RSVP in-person	Teriann Ness-Parker, CMH Subcommittee Chair	Excused, Proxy Dustin Park
Commissioner Brent Mendenhall	Virtual	Tim Thompson	RSVP in-person
Commissioner Bryon Reed	RSVP in-person	Tina Ricks	Virtual
Donna Johnson	RSVP in-person		
Jerilyn Taylor	Virtual	Vacant – Parent of a Child with a SUD	
Joseph Corey Leishman	Virtual	Vacant – Licensed Physician or Health Practitioner	
Judge Michael Whyte	RSVP in-person	Vacant - Family Member of Substance Use Disorder Consumer	

Others in attendance: Sheriff Samuel Hulse, Shawn LaPray, Sara White, Tim Thompson, Sean Waldron, Alison Cruz, Tony Glenn, Mallory Johnson, Ashley Stallings, Judge Michael Whyte, Donna Johnson, Commissioner Bryon Reed, Dustin Park, Corey L., Commissioner Brent Mendenhall, Tina Ricks, Dan Barker, Sylvia Belford, Katie Dodge, Crista Henderson, Megan Slusher, Brenda Valle, Mary Wright, James McLain, Dan Barker, Stephanie Taylor-Thompson, Darin Burrell, Chris Brayton, Bryon’s friend

11:30 AM 1. Welcome, Introductions, and Roll Call Sheriff Samuel Hulse, Chair
 Agenda Review and Call for Additional Agenda Items | **ACTION ITEM**
 Approval of February 16, 2024 Meeting Minutes | **ACTION ITEM**

Commissioner Byron Reed motioned to approve the minutes. Donna Johnson seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed.

11:35 AM 2. Financial Report Dustin Park

- The financial report can be found on the R7BHB webpage: https://eiph.id.gov/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/FINAL-R7BHB-Financial-Report_FY24_February.pdf

11:40 AM 3. Children’s Mental Health Subcommittee Report Dustin Park
 - Meeting minutes can be found on the EIPH website.

11:50 PM 4. R7BHB Member Spotlight Judge Michael Whyte
 - Judge Whyte is appointed as the District Judge to replace Judge Tingey. He shared about his background, education and family. Judge Whyte is over the Mental Health Treatment Court.
 - Corey Leishman to do the member spotlight at the April Meeting.

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

- Empower Idaho Mental Health Advocate Selection
 - Stephanie Taylor-Thompson motioned to recommend Nancy Espeseth, the director of the Center for Hope. Darin Burrell seconded. No further discussion. Motion approved.
- ICADD Scholarships Ashley Stallings
 - Scholarship applicants: Morgan Burrows, Jimmy Bicking, Donna Johnson, Corrie Serrano, James Hymas, Mo-Nee Harrigfield.
 - Megan received the ICADD scholarship.

Donna and Darin to recuse themselves from the vote.
Commissioner Byron Reed motioned to approve the five scholarships up to \$3,000.
Commissioner Brent Mendenhall seconded. Commissioner Brent Mendenhall asked that we have reports presented to the Board at a board meeting. The ICADD subcommittee is going to ask for a written report from scholarship awardees. Motion approved.

- Idaho Integrated Behavioral Health Network
 - Donna and Teriann can no longer attend therefore there are 2 board spots open.
 - If board members are interested, contact Mallory Johnson, immediately.
 - No new motions were made.
- Conflict of Interest Forms
 - Board members were asked to sign and return them to Mallory Johnson.
- County Visits – how to involve communities, find locations for visits, etc.
 - Reach out to Salmon Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition (SSAPCO) about the Lemhi County visit.
 - Idea to reach out to city officials and commissioners to have community involvement and awareness.
 - Sara White serves as the Chair of the local emergency planning coalition in Teton County, they have a regular monthly meeting. Possibly partner their meeting.
 - Systems of Care meeting in Teton Valley, another possible meeting partner.
 - Can we get public feedback on gaps and needs from each community?
 - Get Sara a link to the gaps and needs support once that is created.
 - Use the county visits to spread awareness of the grant reports.

Stephanie Taylor-Thompson had to leave and nominated Tina Ricks as her proxy.

- 12:35 PM 6. 'Let's Talk: Evidence Based Suicide Prevention' Mental Health Coalition of Teton Valley Event Report Sara White
- Sara gave a verbal report based off the impact report that can be found on the website. <https://eiph.id.gov/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/2023-Impact-Report.pdf>
 - Crisis Response Plan can be found on the Mental Health Coalition of Teton Valley's website: <https://mentalhealthcoalitionoftetonvalley.org/>
- 12:45 PM 7. Behavioral Health Crisis Center Data Report James McLain & Ken Asay
- 210 individuals at the center.
 - Had 5 higher level of care to the center: 5 individuals that were not medically able to be at the center due to their health/medical.
 - 17 referrals were made by the ER systems.
 - 2 of the referrals were referred back to the local hospital system.
 - Multiple near deaths in the community from attempted suicides.
 - 1 ambulance has been called to the center for an individual who attempted suicide.
- 12:50 PM 8. Community Reports/Announcements Sheriff Samuel Hulse
- The Mental Health Coalition of Teton Valley is going to launch an educational series in the fall. They are open to educational presenters - topics are wide open, but the community has expressed interest in: youth oriented-screen use, neurodivergence, suicide, substance use prevention. Approximately 1 hour community talks with the idea of Q&A or are there documentaries with panel discussion that can be completed?
 - CIT training is April 8th – 12th, rosters are full, 3 individuals from Salmon are coming down for this training, planning to do a training in Salmon, high demand for CIT training and the plan is to change to doing three trainings a year rather than two; Dustin Park shared information about CIT and CITC.
 - Empower Idaho is hosting a webinar next week: <https://www.empoweridaho.org/education/consumer-activities/>
 - Drug Take Back Event – April 27th, 2024. Medication lock boxes and pouches available at EIPH locations.
 - Division of Behavioral Health is starting a statewide newsletter with the intent of showcasing items around the state; they are going to start in May with Mental Health Awareness Month, may even do a podcast → Sean will send the information to Mallory on where to submit information.
 - Dustin Park shared about the Free Hepatitis and HIV testing at D7 presented by the Community Family Clinic → Flyer will be shared in the newsletter.

- Center for Hope is doing a community conversation in Rexburg on Tuesday, March 19th from 6pm to 8pm at the Springhill Suites in Rexburg → flyer on the newsletter. The Blackfoot location is having their Grand Opening event Tuesday, March 26th with a ribbon cutting from 12pm to 1pm → flyer on the newsletter; Rexburg location is up and running, they are still working on a date.
- Brenda shared the Optum Idaho Member Crisis Line: 855-202-0973

12:55 PM 9. Public Comment

Sheriff Samuel Hulse

1:00 PM 10. Adjourn

Sheriff Samuel Hulse

Chris Brayton motioned to adjourn. Donna Johnson seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed.

Next R7BHB Meeting: Friday, April 19, 2024, at 11:30 AM

Signatures:

_____ **Samuel Hulse, Chair**

_____ **Darin Burrell, Vice Chair**