



MINUTES | Region VII Behavioral Health Board Meeting

Friday, May 16th, 2025 | 11: 30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Eastern Idaho Public Health – Community Health Classroom
1250 Hollipark Drive, Idaho Falls, ID 83401
| ZOOM

Join Zoom Meeting:

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Meeting ID: 830 2860 5963 | Passcode: 111514

Board Members in Attendance (marked by an X):

Darin Burrell, Chairman	X, In-person	Randall Law	Resigned
Commissioner Eric Jackson, Vice Chair	X, In-person	Rick Whittaker	X, In-person
Donna Johnson, Treasurer	X, In-person	Sara White	Absent
Dustin Park, Secretary	X, In-person	Sheriff Samuel Hulse	X, In-person
Ashley Stallings	X, In-person	Stephanie Taylor-Thompson	Excused, proxy: Dustin Park
Chris Brayton		Teriann Ness-Parker, CMH Subcommittee Chair	X, In-person
Commissioner Brent Mendenhall	X, Virtual	Tim Thompson	X, In-person
Commissioner Karl Casperson	X, Virtual	Tina Ricks	X, Virtual
Jerilyn Taylor	Absent		
Joseph Corey Leishman	Excused	Vacant – School Representative	
Judge Michael Whyte		Vacant – Parent of a Child with a SUD	
Melissa Thyberg	X, Virtual	Vacant - Family Member of Substance Use Disorder Consumer	

Other In-Person Attendees: John Hart, Sean Waldron, Mallory Johnson, Alison Cruz

Other Virtual Attendees: Mary Wright, Alejandra Del Toro, Rebekah Nansel, Slyvia Belford, Gina Pulleiro, Paula Pack, Ken Asay

11:30 AM

1. Welcome, Introductions, and Roll Call
Agenda Review and Call for Additional Agenda Items | **ACTION ITEM**
- **No additional agenda items**
Approval of April 2025 Meeting Minutes | **ACTION ITEM**

Darin Burrell, Chair

- **Commissioner Eric Jackson motions to approve the minutes from the April 2025 meeting. Sheriff Hulse seconded. No further discussion. Motion approved.**

- 11:35 AM 2. Financial Report Donna Johnson
- The report can be found on the R7BHB webpage
- 11:40 AM 3. Subcommittee Reports/Announcements
- Children's Mental Health Subcommittee Teriann Ness-Parker
 - Teriann gave an update on the CMH meetings. Meeting minutes can be found on the R7BHB webpage.
 - As of right now, it appears that they will not use the CMH funds that they had for this year
 - Tina Ricks mentioned that Tueller has a contract with CPI and their trainer can only train their agency
 - Magellan is working to create a Magellan Crisis Training through PyschHub: Nanselr@magellanhealth.com
 - Prevention Subcommittee Ashley Stallings
 - Next meeting is July 16th at 10am
 - Next week is the ICADD conference
 - In July there is the Northwest Alcohol Conference
- 11:50 AM 4. Presentation of Mental Health Advocate Award Darin Burrell
- Dustin Park received the Mental Health Advocate of the Month Award for 2025
 - Alejandra Del Toro read a letter to Dustin
- 12:00 PM 5. Board Business | **ACTION ITEMS** Darin Burrell
- Grant Requests
 - Read Mission Statement
 - Darin Burrell, Chair read the Mission
 - Upper Valley Child Advocacy Center, Gina Pulleiro
 - Upper Valley Child Advocacy Center is working to train an additional staff member in HOPE curriculum.
 - **Ashley Stallings recused herself from the vote for Conflict of Interest**
 - Tim Thompson asked if they could get an invoice to the board by the end of this month
 - **Teriann Ness made a motion to approve this funding request. Seconded by Commissioner Jackson. No further conversation. Motion approved.**
 - Fremont County Prosecutor's Office, Paula Pack
 - Fremont County Prosecutor's Office requested funds for purchasing inUpowers programming.
 - **Judge Whyte recused himself from the vote.**
 - **Brent Mendenhall motions to approve the funding request. Seconded by Sheriff Samuel Hulse. Darin Burrell mentioned that he does work for Fremont County but does not work for the Fremont County Prosecutor's Office. No further discussion. Motoin approved.**
- 12:35 PM 6. Blackfoot Charter School Report Sheyenne Hernandez
- Reporting on the Sources of Strength Grant the R7BHB previously funded
 - Have used the bulletin boards to spread messages of hope, health, and strength
 - Have had 2 positive mental health campaigns:
 - ➔ Greatest of All Time (GOAT) campaign
 - Working on getting their calm down corners

- How many students are impacted by this grant? Currently have 425 enrolled, projected to grow to under 50 students in the next school year; this program affects students, teachers, and parents

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| 12:45 PM | 7. Behavioral Health Crisis Center Data Report | Ken Asay |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ken gave a short report - Darin asked if the Crisis Center has any pressing needs at this point in time. Ken mentioned that they used to see individuals who were in housing crisis but people are moving to different states. Each week they are seeing new people come to the crisis center who have never been to the crisis center before. | |
| 12:50 PM | 8. Community Reports/Announcements | Darin Burrell |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - UVCAC Golf Scramble at Jefferson Hills June 27th - Last week had the CIT meeting, great reviews, plans to host a training in July (7th – 11th) in Madison County, awards banquet and third CIT training in September, reached out to Region 6 to support their Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) | |
| 12:55 PM | 9. Public Comment | Darin Burrell |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Drug take back was completed in April, Mallory will send numbers from the event in the next newsletter - GIFT rides to treatment and recovery services providing through Eastern Idaho Public Health's Opioid settlement Funding - | |
| 1:00 PM | 10. Adjourn | Darin Burrell |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Commissioner Eric Jackson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:42pm. Ashely Stallings seconded. No further discussion. Motion approved. | |

NO JUNE MEETING

Next R7BHB Meeting: Friday, July 18, 2025, at 11:30 AM

@ Eastern Idaho Public Health – 1250 Hollipark Drive in Idaho Falls & Virtual via Zoom

Region 7 Behavioral Health Board Mission:

To improve our systems of care within Region 7 for those affected by behavioral health issues. We will do this by evaluating gaps in services, encouraging collaboration among stakeholders, ensuring monitoring of critical statistics, and developing strategic plans based on the information.