



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

MINUTES | Region VII Behavioral Health Board Meeting

Friday, November 21st, 2025 | 11: 30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Madison County Courthouse: 134 E. Main Street Rexburg, Idaho 83440
| ZOOM

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83028605963?pwd=ls1edwvQBEMNoyEOQF7FXcbJkblwBW.1>

Meeting ID: 830 2860 5963 | Passcode: 111514

Board Members in Attendance (marked by an X):

Darin Burrell, Chairman	Excused, proxy Commissioner Eric Jackson
Commissioner Eric Jackson, Vice Chair	X, In-person
Donna Johnson, Treasurer	Excused, proxy Mallory Johnson
Dustin Park, Secretary	Excused
Ashley Stallings	Excused, Proxy, Sara White
Chris Brayton	Excused,
Commissioner Brent Mendenhall	X, In-person
Commissioner Karl Casperson	X, Virtual
Jerilyn Taylor	Absent
Joseph Corey Leishman	X, Virtual
Judge Michael Whyte	Excused
Melissa Thyberg	X, Virtual

Rick Whittaker	X, In-person
Sara White	X, In-person
Sheriff Samuel Hulse	Excused
Stephanie Taylor-Thompson	X, Virtual
Teriann Ness, CMH Subcommittee Chair	X, Virtual
Tim Thompson	X, Virtual
Tina Ricks	X, Virtual
Vacant – Licensed Physician or Health Practitioner	
Vacant – School Representative	
Vacant – Parent of a Child with a SUD	
Vacant - Family Member of Substance Use Disorder Consumer	

Other In-Person Attendees: Mallory Johnson, Andy Bradbury, Michaela Butler, Brandon Butler, Wayne Goodworth, Mykell Jepson with Stewards of Recovery

Other Virtual Attendees: Jeremy Riddle, Alie May, Lauren Francois, Cally Summer from Integrated Counselor, Rebekah Nansel, Megan Slusher, Jenipher Anthony, John Hart, Sean Waldron

11:30 AM 1. Welcome, Introductions, and Roll Call Commissioner Eric Jackson, Vice Chair
Agenda Review and Call for Additional Agenda Items | **ACTION ITEM**

No additional meeting minutes

Approval of October 2025 Meeting Minutes | **ACTION ITEM**

Sara White motions to approve the October 2025 R7BHB meeting minutes. Rick Whittker seconded. No further decisions. Motion passed.

11:35 AM 2. Financial Report Mallory Johnson

- Financial Report can be found on EIPH website
- CIT question – the board does not have re-vote for CIT budget because it was already approved. The CIT training in Bend, Oregon would be an allowable expense under fiscal policy.

11:40 AM 3. Subcommittee Reports/Announcements

- Children's Mental Health Subcommittee Teriann Ness
 - Teriann shared about the Children's Mental Health Subcommittee Morning Meeting. Minutes from this meeting can be found on the EIPH website.
 - Mikaela Butler asked if there is discussion for treatments and therapies for kids with autism in the area.
 - Tina Ricks said that they identified a gap that in order to be a youth support you have to be an adult support and have to have trainings and hours.
 - Rebekah Nansel with Magellan said you only need the 6 month provisional or the full year to apply to the youth peer support endorsement training and then you get your hours at provision to the youth peer support; you have to apply and meet the criteria for the youth support class
- Prevention Subcommittee Mallory Johnson
 - Completed 2nd QPR training yesterday, working on planning their 3rd training

11:50 AM 4. Behavioral Health Crisis Center Data Report James McLain

- Not on the call at this time

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

- December Meeting Cancellation
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 - Commissioner Brent Mendenhall motions to cancel the December 2025 meeting. Sara White as proxy for Ashley Stallings seconds. No other further discussion. Motion carries.

12:30 PM 6. Madison County Gaps and Needs Commissioner Eric Jackson

- Magellan changes with mental health –
 - Concerns about the people that they are working with and losing jobs because funding for Peer Support services stops on December 1st
 - People want to be heard and be listened to, to let their voice be heard
 - There are about 600 license providers that are about to lose their jobs because of this change
 - Providers Received a 4% cut
 - Tueller counseling has the contract for the ACT team, that is a part of these cuts which will be a fee for service
 - There was discussion about preventive care being cheaper
 - DHW direct comment link for comments: <https://forms.office.com/g/rikVpZJggF>
 - Idaho Association of Community Providers have a white paper that has numbers and facts that will be released soon

- Rebekah said that she is the Provider Relations Manager, the cut came from the Department of Health and Welfare, this is in direct response from the legislature and the governor
- Talked about how can we fill the gap, we can share a flyer for the free clinic in the R7BHB newsletter
- Canvi Behavioral Health is looking into a subscription service style of healthcare to keep it affordable, that can be a planned and budgeted expense
- Rexburg Free Clinic
 - Andy talked on behalf of the Rexburg Free Clinic, talked about their services, thanked the board for the Martha and John Tanner Award Grants the past two years, shared photos of what they were able to accomplish with the past two years worth of grants
 - Talked about the book the Body Keeps the Score
- Madison County Gaps & Needs
 - The Rexburg free clinic is in their 7th year, the building they are in just got sold and as of June they are needing a new space, they were in the schools, their biggest challenge in advertising/sharing their services, state provides malpractice insurance with a health care license that comes and donates their time there, it is done by appointment, a student intern sets up the appointments
 - Discussion on lack of housing resources for individuals, especially those in recovery programming. Stewards of Recovery mentioned in Rexburg they do not have housing for their individuals and that is a big barrier; in Idaho Falls they have the Grace house, barriers to safe and sober housing for individuals. Most individuals come through referral through probation, trying to open it up to the university students,
 - Transportation needs in the community
 - Barriers with pharmacies being willing to bubble pack medications and deliver it to people homes; barrier to get people to the pharmacy

12:50 PM 7. Community Reports/Announcements Commissioner Eric Jackson

12:55 PM 8. Public Comment Commissioner Eric Jackson

- Darin wanted to thank the board members for their service
- Discussion on a regional juvenile detention center either at 3B or 5C, if you have input talk to your county commissioner

1:00 PM 9. Adjourn Commissioner Eric Jackson

Rick Whittaker motions to adjourn the meeting at 12:55pm MT. Sara White seconds. No further discussion. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned.

Next R7BHB Meeting: Friday, January 16th, 2026, at 11:30 AM

At Eastern Idaho Public Health Conference Room: 1250 Hollipark Drive Idaho Falls, ID 83401

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.