



# South Central Behavioral Health Board

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## *Executive Committee Meeting Minutes*

**February 14, 2018**

Board Members (P-Present, E-Excused, T-Telephone, A-Absent)

T Debbie Thomas, Chair	T Mary Christy, Co-Chair
P Renee Waite – Secretary (Arr’ d 11:45)	P James Brown, SUD Consumer
P Don Hall, Commissioner	P Rick Huber, SUD Advocate
P Sheriff Eric Snarr (LE - Minidoka Co)	

Administration:

Melody Bowyer, SCPHD  
Linda Montgomery, SCPHD BoH Chair (T)  
Nancy Andreotti – SCPHD

Guest(s):

**I. Convene: 11:35 AM**

**II. Call to Order– D Thomas**

- A. **Roll Call/Housekeeping Items** – N Andreotti
- B. **Correspondence** – none

**III. Action Items**

- A. Approval of Consent Agenda  
**Motion “I Don Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Eric Snarr) move to approve the items in the Consent Agenda as presented.” Motion passed**

**V. Non-Action Items**

- A. Recruitment of Board Members – D Thomas
  - Debbie expressed the need to come up with ways to advertise the SCBHB. Mary will contact Laurie Welch at Times News (208-677-5025) and the news desk at KMVT (208-733-6407) about doing an article about the board combining information about the board, Strategic Priorities, and the Mini-Grant process.
  - Renee will work with Nancy and developing a “public friendly” board brochure geared to non-BH professionals.
- B. • DBH Central Office Monthly Update Feb 2018 – D Thomas
  - M Christy had a question about the budge moratorium. D Thomas explained how that happened and what it means to those needing treatment not related to IROC or the Justice system. Funding will be reinstated again in July.
  - R Huber voiced concern regarding the YES program and the Medicaid changes and how that will be affected if Medicaid funding is reduced at the federal level.
- C. DBH Legislative Talking Points Jan 2018 –  
M Christy asked for clarification of the Line Item \$2.56 million for three crisis centers in Regions 2, 3, 6. D Thomas explained that the money had been set aside for opening crisis centers in those regions. Was mentioned that one region was considering the possibility of doing a mobile crisis unit or smaller centers in several of their rural areas to accommodate more people.

D. Discussion of sub-committees to handle one of the Strategic Priorities set by the full board in January. Each sub-committee would have creative license for the direction of the sub-committee. Will ask for volunteers for these sub-committees at the March meeting.

- **Education/Outreach** – As a board we cannot lobby, but we can educate the public and our legislators to the needs of our communities and the consequences of lack of funding for mental health issues. Outreach to get the word out about the SCBHB and what we do, Strategic Priorities, Mini-Grants Applications.
- **Transportation** –
- **Access to Care in Rural Areas** –

A suggestion was made to consider having a longer meeting once a quarter with the full board when the sub-committees would meet for an hour and a half prior to the full board coming together to have reports of what the sub-committees talked about and conduct board business as usual. If the meeting meets the State’s requirements for serving refreshments, we will do so. The requirements are: The meeting is mandatory, has more than six attendees, and lasts for at least three hours.

E. Grant Application Approval Process:

Applicants will be responsible to show how their project is going to meet the criteria established by the board in the Strategic Priorities. The Board is not going to dictate how that is to be accomplished.

**VI. Announcements**

A. Next full board meeting is March 14, 2018, Ex Com meeting April 11, 2018.

B. The Children’s Mental Health Committee will begin meeting at SCPHD March 28, 2018. This will allow them to use the technology available to the Board (Go-to-Meeting, telephone conferencing, etc.)

**VII. Meeting Adjourned 12:52 PM**

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**Debbie Thomas**  
Chair, SCBHB

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**Mary Christy**  
Vice-Chair, SCBHB

Excused

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**Attest: Melody Bowyer, SCPHD Director**