



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 3/11/2025

File #: 25-311

To: Board of Supervisors

From: DHHS: Behavioral Health

Agenda Section: Consent

Vote Requirement: Majority

SUBJECT:

Revised Behavioral Health Board Bylaws

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Review and adopt the revisions to the Bylaws of the Behavioral Health Board dated Jan. 1, 2025; and
2. Direct the Clerk of the Board to provide the Department of Health and Human Services -Contract Unit with one (1) fully executed, certified copy of the Board order related to this item.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This action supports the following areas of your Board's Strategic Plan.

Area of Focus: Safe & Healthy Communities

Strategic Plan Category: 1002- Remove barriers to quality healthcare

DISCUSSION:

The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution on September 25, 1962, that established the Humboldt County Advisory Committee on Mental Health. The Humboldt County Advisory Committee on Mental Health became the Local Mental Health Board.

On Feb. 14, 2012, a resolution was adopted by the Board of Supervisors that approved changing the name of the Mental Health Board to the Behavioral Health Board. On Feb. 14, 2012, the Board of Supervisors approved the revised Behavioral Health Bylaws approved by the Behavioral Health Board on Sept. 15, 2011.

The Behavioral Health Board, appointed by the Board of Supervisors, operates in compliance with the authority, purpose and duties derived from the Welfare and Institutions Code section 5604.2; the County Board of Supervisors; and other pertinent Legislation.

On March 28, 2024, the Behavioral Health Board approved proposed revisions to the Bylaws. On June 4, 2024, the Board of Supervisors adopted the Bylaws dated March 28, 2024.

Recently, the Behavioral Health Board proposed revisions to the Bylaws, these revisions were

approved by the Behavioral Health Board on Nov. 21, 2024. In summary, the scope of the revisions includes modifying terminology, and expanding the appointee recommendation process, membership composition, and membership removal criteria. The Behavioral Health Board recommends that the Board of Supervisors review and adopt the Bylaws dated Jan. 1, 2025.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Behavioral Health Fund (1170)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no direct financial impact related to the adoption of the Behavior Health Board bylaws.

STAFFING IMPACT:

This action has no impact on staffing.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None.

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

As an alternative, The Board of Supervisors may elect not to adopt the revised Bylaws dated Jan. 1, 2025. However, the Behavioral Health Board is requesting revisions to clarify the role and duties of the Behavioral Health Board.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Bylaws of the Humboldt County Behavioral Health Board
2. Redline version of Bylaws of the Humboldt Behavioral Health Board

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Meeting of: 2/14/12, 6/4/24

File No.: 16-3067, 24-911