

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 5/14/2019

File #: 19-623

To: Board of Supervisors

From: DHHS: Mental Health

Agenda Section: Consent

SUBJECT:

Appointments to the Humboldt County Behavioral Health Board

<u>RECOMMENDATION(S)</u>:

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Appoint Brienna Zoellner, Kelsey Tippett and Allen Burnette to the Humboldt County Behavioral Health Board for 3-year terms.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Mental Health Fund

DISCUSSION:

The Humboldt County Behavioral Health Board is a requirement of Welfare and Institutions Code 5604, and was established per the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act of 1967. The Behavioral Health Board currently consists of eight members, but can have a maximum of 15. Members of the Behavioral Health Board attend one monthly meeting, are expected to join a subcommittee, and serve 3-year terms.

The County and the Department of Health and Human Services actively support the Behavioral Health Board. Meetings of the Behavioral Health Board are subject to the provisions of the Brown Act. Counties are encouraged to appoint individuals who have experience and knowledge of the mental health system. The Behavioral Health Board should reflect the diversity of the client population in the County.

50 percent of the membership shall be consumers or the parent, spouse, sibling or adult children of consumers who are receiving or have received mental health services. Brienna Zoellner, Kelsey Tippett and Allen Burnette are consumers or family of consumers and bring the Behavioral Health Board closer to the 50 percent goal.

The Behavioral Health Board has approved forwarding these applications to the Board of Supervisors

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for final approval.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no financial impact since the Behavioral Health Board members volunteer their services.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by fostering transparent, accessible, welcoming and user friendly services.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: None.

<u>ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS</u>: Board discretion.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Applications for: Brienna Zoellner, Kelsey Tippett and Allen Burnette

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL: Board Order No.: C-13

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