



**Commission on Mental Health and
Substance Abuse Members**

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Commission on Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder

Meeting Minutes

June 21, 2023
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

9:00 a.m. – Call to Order/Welcome

Jay Reeve, Chair

Roll Call

Attendance Summary:

Chair Jay Reeve
Commissioner William Prummell
Commissioner Wes Evans
Commissioner Ann Berner
Commissioner Doug Leonardo
Commissioner Kathleen Moore
Commissioner Kelly Gray-Eurom
Commissioner Larry Rein
Commissioner Chief Judge Mark Mahon
Commissioner Melissa Larkin-Skinner
Commissioner Shawn Salamida
Commissioner Shevaun Harris
Commissioner Jason Weida (Ken Kniepmann for)
Commissioner Uma Suryadevara
Commissioner Christine Hunschofsky
Commissioner Lee Fox
Commissioner Clara Reynolds

Approval of the April 19, 2023, Commission Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Prummell motion, second by Commissioner Gray-Eurom

Opening Remarks - Commission Updates

Chair Reeve: Reminded everyone voting rights is solely for the Commissioners, those appointed by the Governor, President of the Senate or Speaker of the House of Representatives and does not apply to subject matter experts. Advised the Commission was extended through 2026, with the final report due the beginning of 2027, interim reports due each year in January.

Introduction of New Commissioners

Chair Reeve: Provided a summary of the Commission for the new Commissioners, Commissioner Lee Fox and Commissioner Richard Weisberg. Assigned Commissioner Weisberg to the Finance Subcommittee and advised Commissioner Fox her assignment will come later. Asked Aaron to send out the Commission guidelines/statutory duties.

Subcommittee Updates

Chair Reeve: Advised of each subcommittee's charges and statutory requirements and that each subcommittee will meet at the discretion of the subcommittee chair, with each meeting publicly noticed ahead of time.

Commissioner Harris: The System of Care subcommittee meeting was introductory in nature discussing requirements, expectations, and goals. Briefly discussed behavioral health issues the subcommittee will explore. Next subcommittee meeting tentatively scheduled for June 27, 2023.

Commissioner Hunschofsky: Provided overview of what subcommittee will accomplish throughout the summer. Four meetings have been scheduled and anticipates a fifth meeting to prepare for August in-person meeting.

Commissioner Moore: Detailed plan to accomplish statutory requirements and provided names of possible presenters for upcoming meetings.

Commissioner Salamida: Provided update for the Finance subcommittee. Majority of last subcommittee meeting was utilized discussing the upcoming information request to State agencies. Clarified differences between this request and the previous. Current request will focus more on processes supporting financial allocations instead of the actual dollars allocated. The draft letter was shared with full commission and discussed.

Commissioner Reynolds: Detailed update regarding future meetings for Suicide Prevention subcommittee. Subcommittee will focus on what is needed to ensure preferred recommendations are put forth.

Discussion of Statutory Charges to the Commission

Chair Reeve: Guidelines for drafting the report were discussed. Significant changes have been made with respect to statutory requirements for the Commission. The Department of Children and Families will develop initial draft report based upon recommendations from subcommittees. Chair asked Assistant Secretary Erica Floyd-Thomas to provide overview of this new process. Each subcommittees' statutory duties were individually displayed. Chair Reeve requested actionable recommendations from each subcommittee.

Suggested Presenters for future Commission Meetings

Chair Reeve: Subcommittees will be meeting more regularly. The next in-person Commission meeting will be August 15th, in Orlando. There will be an October and December meeting setup.

Commissioner Salamida: Requested knowledgeable presenters that could speak on suicide prevention.

Commissioner Evans: Stated importance of someone that can speak on recovery services and the system of care as a whole.

Commissioner Prummell: Requests a presentation on the juvenile care system.

Commissioner Fox: Request additional information on medication assisted treatments.

Public Comments

Jack Wood: Made clear his willingness to assist and appreciates the work and direction the commission is heading.

Meeting adjourned