

**BOARD OF THE SOUTHWEST IDAHO TREATMENT CENTER  
MINUTES  
February 8, 2019**

Board of the Southwest Idaho Treatment Center convened at:  
Southwest Idaho Treatment Center  
1660 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue North  
Nampa, Idaho 83687-3199

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Miren Unsworth, Chairman  
Jamie Newton  
Honorable Dayo O. Onanubosi  
Shirley Beale  
Captain Curt Shankel  
Sara Stover  
Blake Brumfield  
Brandon Smalley  
TJ Barr  
Chris Topmiller  
Michael Sandvig

Absent were Representative Jarom Wagoner, Vice-Chair Ashley Dowell, and Sheriff Kieran Donahue.

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Dave Jeppesen, Department of Health and Welfare Director  
Alana Minton, Deputy Attorney General  
Cameron Gilliland, Family and Community Services (FACS) Deputy Administrator  
Lori Wolff, Department of Health and Welfare Deputy Director  
Niki Forbing-Orr, IDHW Public Information Manager  
April Winkelman, Liaison to the Board  
Josh Ortiz, Liaison to the Board  
Lieutenant Harold Patchett (for Sheriff Kieran Donahue)  
Jim White  
Ryan Langrill  
Rakesh Mohan  
Emily Lowe  
Frank Beale  
Amanda Hanson  
Kimberlee Hall

**CALL TO ORDER**

Following proper notice in accordance with Idaho Code, Section 67-2343, and pursuant to call by the Chairman, the meeting of Board of the Southwest Idaho Treatment Center was called to

order by Miren Unsworth, Chairman of the Board, at 1:30 p.m. Friday, February 8, 2019, at the Southwest Idaho Treatment Center, 1660 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, Nampa, Idaho.

### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Miren Unsworth, Chairman

- New members of the board signed confidentiality agreements.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES - ACTION ITEM

- Captain Curt Shankel motioned for the minutes to be approved. Brandon Smalley seconded the motion. All voting members present said “Aye”, see attached motion form.

### OFFICE OF PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS (OPE) REPORT

Ryan Langrill, OPE Senior Evaluator

- Rakesh Mohan, Director Office of Performance Evaluations introduced himself and Ryan Langrill as the presenter for the OPE report.
- Ryan presented a PowerPoint review of the Southwest Idaho Treatment Center OPE report, there was a handout with the SWITC report highlights.

### DIRECTOR REMARKS

Dave Jeppesen, Department of Health and Welfare Director

- Director Jeppesen introduced himself and welcomed the board members. He encouraged attendees to read the introduction of the SWITC Improvement Plan handout and directed the board to the three questions below (page #6 of the handout) to address long term strategic planning for the system-wide level of care issues.

From the SWITC Improvement Plan handout: **Questions to Address for a Long Term Strategic Plan:** Below are questions that must be answered to inform a long term strategic plan. Some of these questions must be addressed by the partners engaged in serving this population, other questions will be addressed through policy decisions, but they must all be clearly determined before effective long-term strategies can be determined.

#### **Director Jeppesen read the questions aloud:**

1. What population falls within the responsibility of the Department to provide treatment? (DHW recognizes that we provide services to a broader population through Medicaid payments, but when does the Department become the service “provider”) Should the Department only provide treatment to individuals who are committed to the Department or also take voluntary placements? (compare to Child Welfare model)

**Decisions/Time Frames:** This question will be reviewed by the Advisory Committee based on information and options provided by DHW and other inputs. Recommendations will be provided by June to inform decisions that must be made by July.

2. What is the right treatment model for the population we have defined? How does the current SWITC and crisis model fit into that, if at all? Is the ICF-ID the correct licensure and treatment model for these individuals? If not, what is more appropriate?

**Decisions/Time Frames:** This question will be addressed by the Advisory Committee based on information and options provided by DHW. Recommendations from the Advisory Committee will be provided by June to inform decisions that must be made by July.

3. If these individuals are to be treated in a facility and cannot be successful in current community placements, should the facility be State ran or privately ran? If the Department is not responsible for voluntary placements, who is?

**Decisions/Time Frames:** Once the decisions about population and treatment models have been determined, the Advisory Committee will make a recommendation as to whether DHW is still the best agency to support this population or if the identified needs are best met through a different agency or model. This decision must be made by July to inform planning on facility issues. Final decisions will be made by policymakers.

## **DESCRIPTION OF THE DD CRISIS SYSTEM**

Miren Unsworth, Family and Community Services (FACS) Administrator

Cameron Gilliland, Family and Community Services (FACS) Deputy Administrator

- Cameron Gilliland presented a PowerPoint description of Idaho's Developmental Disabilities (DD) crisis system, SWITC and DD program goals and challenges.
- Blake Brumfield talked about categories of individuals who accessed crisis services, and the demographic for individuals accessing the crisis beds. Also discussed was an organization chart for the Crisis Prevention and Court Services team.
- Jamie Newton presented a PowerPoint that addressed priority issues and strategies.

## **SECURE FACILITY UPDATE**

Cameron Gilliland, Family and Community Services (FACS) Deputy Administrator

- House and senate committees passed the secure facility rules. An application for licensure and draft facility policies have been submitted to the Division of Licensing and

Certification. Draft policies will also be shared with advocates for feedback. The secure facility will open once the polices are finalized and a license is issued.

**CLOSING REMARKS**

Miren Unsworth, Chairman

- There was a recommendation for additional meetings to be scheduled to discuss the questions per Director Jeppesen’s request. A Doodle Poll for monthly meetings through June will be sent out. We will work through question #1 at the first meeting. Miren Unsworth asked what resources are needed or what can be prepared prior to the first meeting.

Recommendations from board members:

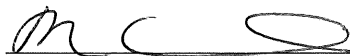
1. Morning meetings work better.
2. When talking or providing handouts, spell acronyms out.
3. A resource handbook to be created with reference materials (i.e. federal guidelines, admission/discharge criteria, statute constraints, state responsibility, etc.).
4. Consider assigning work groups.
5. Provide some options/examples for treatment model.
6. It would be helpful for the material presented in board meetings to be sent in advance. Keep board members informed of tasks and send out periodic reference material or emails to keep interest.
7. Disability Rights of Idaho report and OPE report to be sent to members.

Lori Wolff informed board members the department has placed this as a top priority. The department will provide resources, subject matter experts, work groups, and whatever is needed to complete this task.

**ADJOURNMENT**

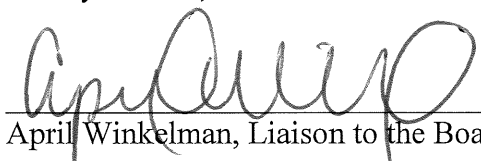
There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Unsworth adjourned the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully signed and submitted by:

  
Miren Unsworth, Chairman

Ashley Dowell, Vice-Chair

*not present at the meeting (A.W. 03/11/19)*

  
April Winkelman, Liaison to the Board

**MOTIONS**

By

**BOARD OF SOUTHWEST IDAHO TREATMENT CENTER**

MEETING DATE: 02/08/19

MOTION MADE: I move that the Board of The Southwest Idaho Treatment Center approve the minutes of the 11/16/18 Board Meeting.

MOTION BY: Captain Curt Shankel

SECONDED BY: Brandon Smalley

VOTE: Voice Vote: \_\_\_\_\_ Roll Call: \_\_\_\_\_

	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
Ms. Dowell	_____	_____	<u>X</u>	_____
Rep. Wagoner	_____	_____	<u>X</u>	_____
Hon. Onanubosi	_____	_____	<u>X</u>	_____
Ms. Beale	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Mr. Shankel	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Mr. Donahue	_____	_____	<u>X</u>	_____
Ms. Stover	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Mr. Brumfield	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Ms. Unsworth	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Mr. Smalley	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Mr. Barr	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Mr. Topmiller	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Mr. Sandvig	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____