

**SOUTHWEST BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER
AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

June 10, 2026
Cedar City, Utah

PRESENT:

Commissioner Jerry Taylor
Commissioner Paul Cozzens
Commissioner Celeste Meyeres
Commissioner Victor Iverson

ABSENT:

Commissioner Wade Hollingshead

STAFF MEMBERS:

Mike Deal, Executive Director
Michael Sherratt, Clinical Director
Matt Gardiner, Controller
Rita Cervantes, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER/ INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Iverson, Chairperson of the Authority Board.

APPROVAL OF MAY 2026 MINUTES

Commissioner Iverson asked for a motion to approve the May 2026 Authority Board minutes. Commissioner Taylor made the motion to approve the minutes and Commissioner Cozzens seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

FY2027 BUDGET PUBLIC APPROVAL

Mr. Deal reminded the Board of the discussion in last month's Board meeting/Public Hearing regarding the FY2027 Annual Operating and Capital Budget where details were discussed.

Mr. Deal distributed copies of the final version of the FY2027 Annual Operating and Capital Budget, as well as the Annual Financial Plan for Fiscal Year 2027 and an initial draft of the County Match Budget summary. He quickly reviewed the Annual Budget document, highlighting our most recent contract negotiations with State Medicaid. He indicated that we would be leaving the Medicaid revenue as-is, as was discussed in the May Board meeting. Mr. Deal mentioned that the Expenses all remain exactly as

presented in May 2026, including all staff wages and compensation. He mentioned two items of note under Personnel: one being that we switched to PEHP from the Select Health contract which has reduced our health insurance expenses by 8.2%; and second, this Budget includes a Cost-of-Living (COLA) adjustment that is specifically for all Center staff (including appointed, career-service and non-career-service) and the Merit allowance for appropriate staff (based on policy) that was discussed in the May 2026 Board Meeting. Total budgeted Revenues are \$35,020,398, with Total budgeted Expenses (including Personnel, Operating and Capital items) at \$34,996,280. Commissioner Iverson asked if there were any questions from the Board, which there were none. He called for a motion to approve. Commissioner Meyeres made a motion to approve the FY2027 Operating and Capital Budget along with the Financial Plan and Commissioner Taylor seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in approval.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Iverson moved to adjourn the meeting.

JUNE MINUTES APPROVAL

The June 10th, 2026 Board Meeting minutes were unanimously approved at the July 8th, 2026 Board Meeting.


Southwest Behavioral Health Center Authority Board Chairperson

7-8-2026
Date