

Aiken-Barnwell Mental Health Center Meeting Minutes

April 28, 2026, Meeting held by TEAMS

Attendance:

Board Members:

Dr. Rosa Ishmal	Absent	Janie Key	Present	Terry Lee	Absent
Marion Gary	Present	Barry Head	Present	Shandra Drayton-Bryant	Present

DMH Staff and Guest:

Tamara Smith	Present
Deb Blalock	Present
Jeanna Judy	Present
Brandon Hill	Present

Topic	Discussion	Follow-Up
Call to Order	Mrs. Key called the meeting to order at 5:31pm. Berry Head provided prayer.	None needed
Acceptance of Agenda	Mrs. Key accepted the agenda as described.	None needed
Approval of the Minutes	Board members reviewed the March 28 th minutes. Terry Lee Motioned seconded by Shandra Drayton Bryant.	None needed.
ABMHC Program Presentation. By Brandon Hill	Brandon Hill presented on the Mobile Crisis program. - What Mobile Crisis does? - How Mobile Crisis Work? - What is considered a Crisis? - Warning Signs of a Mental Health Crisis - Mobile Crisis Data for FY26. - Building on Potentials - Benefit of Mobile Crisis. Mrs. Key asked if the patients have to be a current patient. Brandon advised that anyone can be seen by Mobile Crisis. Mrs. Drayton inquired about a support group for the staff. Brandon advised that the team celebrates each other's achievements to show support for the team. Mrs. Key thanked Brandon for his presentation. Tamara commended Brandon and the Mobile Crisis team for the work they do and to Brandon for the work he's doing with the program.	
Old Business		
New Business	Mental Health Month coming up next Month.	None needed.

Executive Director's Report by: Tamara Smith	Tamara discussed her report, in addition to the following: • May is Mental Health Month. Events are posted on the Facebook Page and the new BHDD website. • H2H stops for Mental Health Month. • ABRF has added two new members. Mrs. Drayton-Bryant has joined. The next meeting will be in July. • Request have been sent to Aiken and Barnwell County Councils to assist with operating our Highway to Hope program.	
Finance Report: Jeanna Judy	• Closing out the Budget for FY26. • Reviewing Contracts. • FY27 Budget will be reviewed and briefed in May. • Billing Concern with new EHR. • Facilities Updates (Clean-up and Auditing Supplies, North Augusta Building upgrades) • IT updates (New Email Addresses, IT Closets, New Phones) • Write Off Account	
State DMH Report by: Deb Blalock	Deb Blalock discussed the following: • Senate Budget Recommendations. • Dr. Banks' retirement. • New CFO, HR Director, and Facilities Director from BHDD. • New Website and Email Addresses. • DOA is revising the Administrative Work Structure. • No wrong Door Services; IDD Positions.	None needed.
Board Development/ Policy Committee Report	No report	None needed.
Programs/Services Committee Report	No Report	None needed.

Community Action Items by: Dr. Ishmal	Shandrea Drayton Bryant has been busy with Training and ABRF. Mrs. Key advised that she is excited for Mental Health Month.	None needed.
Adjournment	Berry Head Motion for adjournment seconded by Shandra Drayton Bryants. The meeting was adjourned at 6:44pm	None needed.