

Beckman Center for Mental Health Services

Board of Directors Meeting

June 1, 2026

Meeting held In Person and by Zoom

Attendance: Dr. Chako, Robert Christie, Terri Mollister, Robert Tinsley, Robert Wilson, Rauch Wise

Absent: Angela Christopher, Vic McDonald

Staff Members: Tacey Perillo, Jessica Baker, Koshay Arnold, Debroah Blalock

Staff Members Absent: Dr. Sharawy

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Discussion</u>	<u>Related Documents</u>
Welcome and Introductions	Ms. Mostiller called the meeting to order at 6:20pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
Approval of the Minutes	Minutes from May 2026 meeting were approved as written on a motion by Rauch Wise and seconded by Jamison Tinsley. All in favor.	
Communications		
Program Highlight	Presented slideshow on Community Mental Health Day at the Park	
Center Director's Report	Reviewed the center goals.	

Tacey Perillo	• Rural Health Transformational Grants: ○ Wellness Within Reach applied for approximately \$134,000 for RV upgrades and partial salaries for one year, targeting rural areas like Saluda, Newberry, and Lawrence County for mobile services. ○ Mobile Crisis applied for a statewide grant to improve relations with law enforcement in smaller towns and university settings. • Naltrexone Saves Lives Program (Narcan Distribution): ○ The organization participates as a Narcan distributor in South Carolina, providing it free and anonymously in Lawrence, Greenwood, Newberry, and Abbeville counties. ○ Narcan has an expiration date of about three years, no longer requires a prescription, and comes in a box with two doses • Extensive outreach was conducted during Mental Health Awareness Month, including speaking at the Lions Club and engaging with churches and police stations.	
Chief of Staff Report Koshay Arnold	• Our Fy27 Budget proposal has been approved with a Budget of \$9.3 million dollars, which accounts for a potential 2% increase, repairing the skylights in the Greenwood complex, the parking lot in Laurens, and replacing a lawnmower. We also renewed our CCBHC contract with Carolina Health Centers for another year. Our budget meeting with state office is scheduled for 5/13. • State office has approved use of \$150K from our carryforward funds to pay for unanticipated FY26 expenses.	

Deputy Director's Report Debroah Blalock	• Maintenance plant management and Human Resources department will integrate into the larger state system. • BHDD leadership has hired an HR Director, Chief Financial Officer, and Communications Director; a Chief Information Officer was hired but backed out. • Positions for Office Director, Chief Medical Officer, and State Operations Director have been posted, with the State Operations Director overseeing approximately 5,000 staff across 16 mental health centers, hospitals, and other facilities. • Dr. Banks retired on June 1st, and Dr. Kimberly Rudd was named Acting Office Director • The overall budget status remains unknown, with the General Assembly scheduled to return on June 16th to work on it, and no budgets have been formally approved yet.	
Medical Director Report Dr. Eman Sharawy	• Absent	
Committee Reports	<u>Community Awareness/Legislative:</u> • None <u>Programs and Services</u> • None	
Unfinished Business	• Jameson was nominated and accepted as vice chair.	
New Business	•	
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 7:10pm on a motion by Rauch Wise.	

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Baker