



**Substance Use Disorder Certification Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes**

May 7, 2021

Virtual Meeting via MS Teams

Committee members present:	Kenneth Pimpleton, SUDP, Chair Susan Cherry, SUDP Theresa Adkison, SUDP Gayle Martinsen, HCA Representative Bergen Starke, LMHC, SUDP
Committee members absent:	None
Staff members present:	Ted Dale, Program Manager James Chaney, Executive Director Karen Gohlsen, Program Support Chris Gerard, Assistant Attorney General Melody Casiano, Policy Analyst Ashley Broussard, Behavioral Health Program Coord.
Guest presenters:	Melody McKee, Program Director - Harborview Behavioral Health Institute, UW Medicine Laura Hopkins, Executive Director, SEIU Healthcare Kelly Carroll, Director of Special Projects, Office of King County Executive Dow Constantine

On May 7, 2021, the Substance Use Disorder Certification Advisory Committee met online via MS Teams. Notice of the meeting was published on the [Substance Use Disorder profession website](#) and was sent out through the GovDelivery listserv.

Open Session:

1. Opening of Public Meeting – Kenneth Pimpleton, Chair

- 1.1. Call to Order – Mr. Pimpleton called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. Committee and agency staff members as well as public attendees introduced themselves and their area of practice.
- 1.2. Agenda: Motion to approve, seconded, vote 5-0.
- 1.3. Minutes: Motion to approve, seconded, vote 5-0

2. Management Report – Ted Dale, Program Manager

- 2.1. Budget Report – Mr. Dale briefed the committee on the budget for SUDPs. The fund balance is currently running a deficit of -\$606,867, which is half of what it was earlier in the biennium (-1.2 million).
- 2.2. Recruitment Update – Mr. Dale briefed the committee on the recruitment process to-date for three open positions (substance use disorder professional, physician/mental health practitioner, and a public member). He has received multiple applications for all three positions and recruitment will be closing on May 14th.

3. Assistant Attorney General Report – Chris Gerard, AAG

- 3.1. AAG Gerard briefed the new members on the AAG's advisory role on the committee.

4. Proposed Legislation & RCW Implementation – Ted Dale, Program Manager

- 4.1. Mr. Dale briefed the committee on legislative bills of interest and the final status.

5. SUDP Apprenticeship Program (EHB 1311) - James Chaney, Executive Director

- 5.1. Mr. Chaney introduced Melody McKee, Laura Hopkins, Kelly Carroll, who presented the SUDP apprenticeship program, including an overview of the programs and the advisory committee's role in reviewing the educational requirements for programs once the legislation goes into effect in July 2021.

6. Public Comment – Kenneth Pimpleton, Chair

- 6.1. Public comment for this meeting was moved from item 7 to item 6 on the agenda. There were multiple comments and questions from the public regarding the SUDP Apprenticeship Program.

7. Election of the Committee Vice Chair – Kenneth Pimpleton, Chair

- 7.1. Mr. Pimpleton asked members to provide nominations for the committee vice chair position. Ms. Adkison nominated herself (received one vote) and Mr. Pimpleton nominated Ms. Cherry (received three votes). Ms. Cherry will serve as the new vice chair of the committee.

8. Future Agenda Items - Kenneth Pimpleton, Chair

- 8.1. Apprenticeship program update
- 8.2. Rules update for legislation (standing agenda item)

8.3. Peer counselor legislation

8.4. Advisory committee role in legislative rulemaking (AAG)

9. Adjournment

9.1. The meeting adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

Submitted by:

Ted Dale, Program Manager
Substance Use Disorder Certification Advisory
Committee

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Approved by:

Kenneth Pimpleton, Chair
Substance Use Disorder Certification
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