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MONTHLY MEETING AGENDA

January 13, 2026 Noon - 1:30 PM

- 1. CALL TO ORDER, OFFICIAL HAND-OFF OF CHAIR POSITION** – Richard Divine/J Quinn
WELCOME OF NEW YEAR AND INTRODUCTIONS - Presiding: Tori St. Johns, Chair
- 2. CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT** – 3 minute limit per speaker
- 4. ACCEPTANCE of MINUTES** – November 18, 2025
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
 - 1) Suicide Prevention: Talk Saves Lives – Yvonne Luna via Dr Janice Quinn
 - 2) Adopted Family, Snowflakes, & Holiday Food Baskets Fol-up Report – Shawn Harris, Sr. Parent Partner
 - 3) Regional Boards Bylaws Revision/Commission Bylaws Revision in Progress – Dr Janice Quinn
 - 4) Desert Board Roster Data Check for Updating – Dr Janice Quinn
 - 5) May is Mental Health Month John J. Benoit Behavioral Health Arts Festival 2026 Intro – Dr. Janice Quinn
 - 6) Other New Business
- 6. OLD BUSINESS**
 - 1) Window Walk Gallery at The River Update – Dr. Janice Quinn, Gallery Director
 - 2) Other Old Business
- 7. MONTHLY UPDATE & REPORT**
 - 1) Substance Abuse Prevention & Treatment Programs – Gabriel Kason, SUDCCII, Supervisor
 - 2) Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Programs – Refugio Vivanco, Sr. Peer Support Specialist TAY/Desert FLOW
 - 3) Peer Support and Resource Center – Ashley Jean, Sr. Peer Support Specialist PSRC
- 8. CHILDREN & TAY SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS** – Kelly Grotsky, LMFT
- 9. ADULT SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS** – Rachel Gileno, LMFT
- 10. MATURE ADULTS SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS** – Tony Ortego (or Nate Ramirez)
- 11. COMMITTEE REPORTS-** Please keep reports limited to a maximum of 3 minutes
 - 1) Main Behavioral Health Commission Report - Tori St. Johns, Commission Member
 - 2) Children's Committee Report - Tori St Johns, Committee Chair
 - 3) Adults Committee Report - Jim Jones, Desert Board Rep
 - 4) Mature Adults Committee Report - Maura Fisher, Desert Board Rep
 - 5) Housing Committee Report - Eva Guenther-James for Sandy Neja
 - 6) Legislative Report - Mark Miller
 - 7) Criminal Justice Committee Report - Carole Schaudt, Desert Board Rep
 - 8) Veteran's Committee Report - Joe Butts, Desert Board Rep
 - 9) Membership Report - Dr. Janice Quinn
- 12. NEXT DESERT BOARD MEETING-Tuesday, February 10, 2026**

MEMBER REMINDER(S): **1.** To be excused if you are unable to attend a meeting, you must contact Mary Carpio at (760) 863-8586, Denise Morgan (760) 863-8573 or Dr. Quinn, Vice Chair at rcdbhab@gmail.com or (310) 494-6948, **prior** to the start of the meeting. **2.** For Board related questions or Agenda suggestions contact Dr. Quinn.

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