

**TEXAS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
SUMMARY OF MINUTES
FEBRUARY 4, 2020**

Council Chair Gloria Canseco called the meeting to order at 11:08 a.m.

Chair Canseco moved to Item 2, Roll Call and Certification of Quorum. Council members present were Gloria Canseco; Dr. Sarah Abraham; John Bielamowicz; Timothy M. Brown; Steve Christopherson; Susan Fletcher, Ph.D.; George Francis IV; and Jennifer Smothermon, M.A. Council member Megan Graham was absent.

Chair Canseco moved to Item 3, Public Comment. There was no public comment.

Chair Canseco moved to Item 4, Conduct interviews and make final selection for the BHEC Director position. *Interviews will be conducted in closed session per §551.074 of the Government Code.* Council member Timothy Brown gave the Council instructions on the interview process. Sharon Homoya and Shar-Day Edmond of the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation and Patrick Hyde of the Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists answered questions from Council members about the interview process. Chair Canseco announced that the Council would go into closed session pursuant to §551.071 and §551.074 of the Government Code. The Council recessed into closed session at 11:21 am.

Chair Canseco called the Council meeting back to order in open session at 3:26 p.m.. Council member Steve Christopherson, seconded by George Francis IV, made a motion to recommend the Council hire Darrell Spinks as Director of the Texas Behavioral Health Executive Council at an annual salary of \$120,000. The motion passed by unanimous vote. Council member George Francis IV, seconded by Dr. Sarah Abraham, made a motion to set a start date of March 1, 2020. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Chair Canseco moved to Item 5, Recommendations for agenda items for the next Council meeting. Council Member George Francis IV requested that Director Darrel Spinks provide the Council with a formal meeting invitation and provide meeting materials at least one week in advance of the meeting in a digital format.

Chair Canseco moved to Item 6, Adjournment. Council member George Francis IV, seconded by Steve Christopherson, moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed by unanimous vote. Chair Canseco adjourned the meeting.

Gloria Canseco, Presiding Officer
Texas Behavioral Health Executive Council