



**Meeting Minutes – final**  
**Solano County Alcohol & Drug Advisory Board**  
**August 9, 2017 6:00 PM**  
**Health & Social Services, 275 Beck Ave Fairfield, CA 94533**

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**I. Call to Order**

a. Welcome & Introductions

Andrew Miner called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Introductions were made and everyone was welcomed. Andrew noted all meetings of the Alcohol & Drug Advisory Board are recorded and speaker cards are available at the back counter for anyone who would like to make a public comment.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

*In Alphabetical Order by Last Name*

Jackie Arnold  
Dr. Richard Barry  
Lee Bowen  
Tracey Lee  
Andrew Miner

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

*In Alphabetical Order by Last Name*

Elisabeth delaTorre – excused

**COUNTY STAFF PRESENT**

*In Alphabetical Order by Last Name*

Kristina Feil – ADAB Assistant  
Andrew Williamson – Substance Abuse Administrator

**OTHERS PRESENT**

*In Alphabetical Order by Last Name*

Ramon Castellblanch  
Judge Dan Healy  
Eugene Korte  
Josette Lacey  
Aglaia Panos

**II. Approve August 9, 2017 Agenda**

A motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by Dr. Barry and seconded by Jackie Arnold. The motion carried with 5 in favor and 0 against.

**III. Approve Minutes of July 12, 2017 Meeting**

A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Tracey Lee and seconded by Lee Bowen. The motion carried with 5 in favor and 0 against.

**IV. Committee Reports**

- a. Solano Prevention Recovery Alliance (SPRA) – Kester McDonald, Genesis House
  - No report
- b. CCP (Community Corrections Partnership) – Andrew Williamson, Solano County, Substance Abuse (SA) Administrator
  - No report
- c. Substance Abuse Administrator’s Report – Andrew Williamson, Solano County, SA Administrator
  - Prop 47 \$6M funds approved by BOS at 7/25 meeting, BOS wants to know what SA will be using as a baseline; SA would like to use funds for criminologist to evaluate the project, detox and residential treatment facility in Fairfield or Vacaville, sober living housing, and a lot of it will go towards case management; BiBett Corporation is up for having detox and residential in Vacaville; there will be another planning meeting tomorrow; this grant is to reduce recidivism and the requirement is the person has to have a mental health issue, a substance abuse issue, and have or had involvement with the criminal justice system

- MedMark has been awarded a Hub & Spoke grant and Solano County will be one of the spokes for supplying cyboxone for the Drug Medi-Cal clients
- SA Providers will be meeting with Partnership Health Plan (PHP) of CA on Aug 10<sup>th</sup> regarding next year's contracts since PHP will be the new managed care system of DMC services starting next fiscal year; service rates will increase once the 1115B waiver starts July 1, 2018; Andrew is working on getting SA to become a DMC-billable program; SA will still have contracts with the current SA Providers for the non-DMC clients
- d. Mental Health Advisory Board (MHAB) Report – Elisabeth delaTorre
  - No report

## V. Public Comment

One comment made by Gene Korte regarding Brown Act violation – the man-in-the-middle attack on any computer he uses is happening still and has been for the last 2 years. He's tried talking to a few people including the BOS, the Vacaville City Council, the DA's office, Solano County IT, but no one seems to be able to help. He says this all started to happen after he filed a federal lawsuit.

## VI. New Business

- a. Presentation: "The Essential Elements of an Opioid Risk Reduction Project", Dr. Richard Barry, ADAB Member
  - Papaver flower reproduces the essential neurotransmitters for pain and a lot of other things and has been cultivated since thousands of years before the common era; it was used in medicine about 3,500 years ago, was mentioned in the first known medical text about 1,500 years ago, and in 1660, Thomas Sydenham (father of English medicine) mentioned that there is nothing that is as universal and efficacious as opium; during the American Civil War, the Union forces used 79,000kg of opium in a 5 year span
  - Importation and use of opium was not illegal in the U.S. until San Francisco passed the Opium Den Ordinance in 1875
  - There are currently enough opioids prescribed in the U.S. to medicate every adult citizen for 3 weeks; in 2015 the DEA approved the production of a total of 137,500 kg of oxycontin
  - After being part of the Solano County Grand Jury, Dr. Barry saw several perspectives of problems and solutions in other counties and after looking at the report, he figured our county is not really looking at opiates at all; our county does not have a robust drug take-back program
  - The State of CA is the first state to have a CURES database, which is a prescription drug monitoring database, that started in 1938; it's not mandatory in CA to use the database so the problem is the number of providers and pharmacists that are using it is small
  - Another problem is physicians will constantly refer their patients to pain management and multiple prescribers will write prescriptions and multiple pharmacies will fill the prescriptions, this results in people getting incarcerated, people end up in emergency rooms, and even worse people end up dead; since 1999, there has been 600,000 people that have died from opioid overdose
  - Dr. Barry recommends a feedback cycle for the prescription opioids; a root cause failure analysis is needed to be able to back track to find out how the system failed the patients; the CURES database could be used to check the prescriptions; letters could be mailed out to providers regarding their patient's death; hospitals need to be looked at to let them know they are being watched; the power of the central organization should be used positively to educate the physicians and pharmacists and to help the hospitals set up treatment programs, to reinforce the medically-assisted treatment programs, and to increase the drug take-back program in the county; have the BOS mandate every site that prescribes should be able to take back drugs; the public should be educated to be part of the solution to the problem; everything has to be coordinated efforts and we need to become part of the overall CA Opioid Coalition

*Judge Dan Healy recommended an interesting book called "Dream Land" which is about the recent history of heroin and the criminal justice's response to the flow of drugs*

- b. ADAB Booth at the September Recovery Rally
  - Tracey suggested ADAB think about having a booth at the Recovery Rally if not this year, maybe next year

**VII. Future Planning**

- a. September Agenda Planning
  - Presentation by Jennifer Jaye from Employment Services Program at the Center for Positive Change
- b. On-going Recruitment
  - District 3 Representative
  - District 4 Representative
  - Board Member (An Individual who has received treatment or services for a drug problem and who has attained long term recovery from substance use disorder)

**VIII. Announcements**

- Recovery Month Events:
  - o 9/15 – Solano Recovery Project Luminary in Downtown Fairfield
  - o 9/16 – Recovery Rally Walk in the morning in Vallejo
  - o 9/16 – Recovery Rally at Vallejo City Park

**IX. Adjournment**

Minutes by: Kristina Feil

Date Approved: September 13, 2017