



Meeting Minutes – final
Solano County Alcohol & Drug Advisory Board
September 13, 2017 6:00 PM
Health & Social Services, 275 Beck Ave Fairfield, CA 94533

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
Tracey Lee
Andrew Miner

MEMBERS ABSENT

In Alphabetical Order by Last Name

Lee Bowen
Elisabeth delaTorre

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
Jennifer Jaye
Judy Lopez
Kester McDonald

II. Approve September 13, 2017 Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by Dr. Barry and seconded by Jackie Arnold. The motion carried with 4 in favor and 0 against.

III. Approve Minutes of August 9, 2017 Meeting

A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Jackie Arnold and seconded by Dr. Barry. The motion carried with 4 in favor and 0 against.

IV. Committee Reports

- a. Solano Prevention Recovery Alliance (SPRA) – Kester McDonald, Genesis House
 - Ready for the Recovery Rally on 9/16; Event is from 11-4PM at City Park
 - Recovery Walk at 8:30AM starting at City Park
- b. CCP (Community Corrections Partnership) – Andrew Williamson, Solano County, Substance Abuse (SA) Administrator
 - Sept. 28th meeting was cancelled because there was nothing to discuss
- c. Substance Abuse Administrator's Report – Andrew Williamson, Solano County, SA Administrator
 - It was mentioned that Health & Social Services received 500,000 doses of narkan from SAMHSA but the County never received it nor did the employee who is in charge of the application receive any sort of notification

- Regarding the Hub & Spoke model for treating opiate addiction in the community, the County only sees the Drug Medi-Cal recipients, which is only about 25% of Solano County; so there are about 300,000 people that are not seen and the County does not know if and how many of those people are addicted to opiates; the Opiate Coalition needs to make some headways to the doctors in the County to find out more about it
 - MedMark, the hub of the Hub & Spoke model, will be ready to go with clients in about 2-3 weeks; clients can be referred or self-referred to MedMark and be assessed for either methadone, suboxone, or vivitrol; Vallejo Anka Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner is interested in becoming a spoke
 - The Hub & Spoke model pioneered from Vermont and apparently, it is MedMark doing it
 - There is a bill that was passed by the Governor regarding Drug Medi-Cal billing 30-day submittal is changed to 180 days
 - Partnership Health Plan (PHP) of CA will be taking over the SA Providers next FY once the waiver takes effect; this means they will pay the providers for the services they provide the Solano County Drug Medi-Cal clients; after realizing their original rates to bill the County was so low, they are planning to increase it to \$3M more than the budget Substance Abuse currently has; Andrew will hear the final figure from PHP soon
 - To celebrate Recovery Month, Solano County Behavioral Health is having a Recovery Forum on 9/18 from 11-1PM at 2101 Courage Drive in the Multi-Purpose Room; there will be free lunch provided and the event is open to everyone
 - Prop 47 Housing RFP is currently in process; a gentleman who runs a transitional housing for 18-24 year olds in Contra Costa County is interested in applying for the contract; some services should begin Dec. 1st (residential and detox will take some time)
- d. Mental Health Advisory Board (MHAB) Report – Elisabeth delaTorre
- No report

V. Public Comment

No comments

VI. New Business

- a. Presentation: Employment Services Program at The Center for Positive Change, Jennifer Jaye, Lead Employment Specialist
- Jennifer works for Leaders in Community Alternatives (LCA) which is a contracted service through Solano County Probation and the Sheriff's Dept. to provide employment services for inmates
 - LCA has been in business for 26 years with the main office located in Oakland, CA and offices in Sacramento, San Francisco, Alameda, Modesto, and Solano County
 - Provides community-based services and electronic monitoring program; their best practices are designed to break the cycle of recidivism
 - Inmates can voluntarily sign up for the curriculum 6 weeks-2 months prior to their release date; this service includes assessment, assistance with job search, job placement, life skill development and referral to vocational training programs
 - Once the inmates are released, they can participate in the program whether they are on probation or not and receive intake & basic employment, vocational & educational skills assessment, individual service plan & case management, life skills & job readiness, financial literacy, vocational training, job placement, support & retention assistance
 - In 2016, they served 240 inmates; and since June 2016, 86 clients have reported to LCA after being released from custody
 - Clients in the program are given incentives whether it be for their hygiene, their new job they started while in the program, gift cards, fees for driver license, birth certificate, etc., school, personal things such as shoes, clothes and etc.
 - LCA also has a Subsidized Employment Program where their clients can get employment with some companies they work with; if the company is hiring, they will contact LCA who will then send them their clients' resumes, the clients will go through the interview and if the company hires them, LCA will pay them \$6/hr for their 40 hour/week for the first 90 days of their employment; once hired and the company has a problem with the employee, LCA can work with the employee to try and help them so they can keep their job
 - At the Center for Positive Change (CPC), they have a Computer Lab their clients can use and receive help with resume writing, job skills, mock interviews, making professional connections, 1:1 job coaching, and workshops. Lab hours are M, W, F from 8:30-5:00 and T, Th from 10:00-5:00

- LCA currently has 44 clients who are working, 6 clients enrolled in vocational training, and 1 client in college
 - Currently, there are 30 clients who were able to retain employment after 30 days, 22 clients after 60 days, and 19 clients after 90 days
 - LCA is hosting a Job Fair on Wed., Oct. 25th from 10:00-1:00 at 675 Texas St Fairfield with 13 employers who have already agreed to be at the fair – please call 784-7572 for questions or additional information
- b. Annual Advisory Board Report to the BOS – *due October 11, 2017*
- A copy of the draft report done by Tracey has been provided to the members
 - The members discussed the report and will email Kristina for any additional information

VII. Future Planning

- a. October Agenda Planning
- Presentation by Relief Alternative Healing (Jackie to contact program)
 - Review the Solano County Drug and Alcohol Advisory Board 2013 Work Plan
- 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 Rally on 9/16 at 11:00 at City Park

IX. Adjournment

Minutes by: Kristina Feil

Date Approved: November 15, 2017