



*County of Solano*  
*Local Mental Health Board*  
Minutes for Meeting of  
January 15, 2013

**I. Call to Order**

A. Chair Werblin called the meeting of the Solano County Local Mental Health Board to order at 4:45PM. A quorum was confirmed.

<b>Members</b>	Alan Werblin, M.D.	District 3, Chair
<b>Present:</b>	Dody Reustle	District 1, Vice Chair
	Bill Davis	District 5
	Elizabeth delaTorre	District 3
	John Rayfield	District 4
	Erin Hannigan	Supervisor, District 1
<b>Staff</b>	Halsey Simmons, MFT	Behavioral Health Director
<b>Present:</b>	Sabine Goerke-Shrode	Supervisor Representative, 3
	Cynthia Limerick	Board Clerk, Administration
	Ann Miller	Asst. Consumer Affairs Liaison
	Rachel Ford	Consumer Affairs Liaison
	Niccore Tyler	MHSA Project Manager
<b>Others</b>	Judy Thompson	Board Applicant
<b>Present:</b>	Tracee Stacy	Area Agency on Aging
	James Wagner	Caminar
	Lynn DeLapp	Consultant
	Betty Warner	National Alliance on Mental Illness
	Sam Galvao	Citizen
	Georgina Galvao	Citizen
	Jeff Hopkins	Citizen
	Ravinder Bans	Citizen

Chair Werblin welcomed Board of Supervisor Erin Hannigan to the Solano County Local Mental Health Board as acting Supervisor representing District 1.

**B. Approval of Agenda**

On a motion by Supervisor Hannigan, and a second by Vice Chair Reustle, the Solano County Local Mental Health Board unanimously approved the agenda as written.

**C. Approval of Meeting Minutes of November 20, 2012**

On a motion by Vice Chair Reustle, and a second by Bill Davis, the Solano County Local Mental Health Board unanimously approved the November 20, 2012 meeting minutes as written.

**D. Chair Comments**

Chair Werblin announced the resignation of Solano County Local Mental Health Board Member Rose Wilson.

**II. Presentation**

Behavioral Health Director, Halsey Simmons, gave an informational presentation of the Solano County Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) FY 11-13 Annual Update Public Hearing. Documents distributed: *MHSA FY 11-13 Annual Update Public Hearing*; and *Solano County MHSA Programs*. The plan can be found on the Solano County Mental Health website. [http://www.solanocounty.com/depts/mhs/mhsa/ann\\_plan/default.asp](http://www.solanocounty.com/depts/mhs/mhsa/ann_plan/default.asp)

**Public Comments:**

Lynn DeLapp provided highlights of the upcoming Community Planning and Innovation Plan process; all sessions are open to the public and will be advertised in local newspapers, radio stations, and the Solano County Mental Health website.

Jeff Hopkins expressed the need for a Mental Health Recovery program for higher level functioning adults stating there is a gap in current Mental Health programs and he would like to see funds allocated for new and different programs directed at filling such gaps.

Tracee Stacy commented that she reported a correction relative to the Annual Update directly with Solano County MHSA Project Manager, Niccore Tyler.

Sam Galvao expressed concern with respect to the treatment of mental health consumers and family members from law enforcement; Jeff Hopkins added the importance of filling the Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) for law enforcement openings within Solano County.

Niccore Tyler went on record stating the CIT training sponsored by the California Institute for Mental Health (CIMH) is part of the MHSA performance outcome plan. Rachel Ford commented that officers involved in the program are engaged in the process and Halsey responded by stating the idea can be put in the MHSA planning process re: officer training to mental health train the trainer.

Board Comments:

Bill Davis suggested the need for a consumer advocate or single point of contact for citizens experiencing law enforcement treatment issues and stated that the Solano County Local Mental Health Board can advocate, but citizens need to reach out to law enforcement.

Chair Werblin suggested advocating for a representative from law enforcement to attend the Solano County Local Mental Health Board meeting.

**III. Report from the Behavioral Health Director – Halsey Simmons**

Public Comment:

Tracee Stacy asked for clarification regarding Realignment and the Kaiser/Partnership beneficiary plan asking if the County is going to provide equitable therapy to medical beneficiaries and integrated medical services; Halsey responded that Mental Health will provide whatever medically necessary services are required to serve medical beneficiaries once they transition from Kaiser.

Board Comments:

John Rayfield asked for clarification of the amount of slots dedicated to Caminar case management; James Wagner verified 80 slots.

John Rayfield commended staff at the 23 hour Crisis Stabilization Unit stating they are very helpful.

Elizabeth delaTorre asked how the community gets access to Caminar case managers; James Wagner stated the community is served County-Wide through referrals.

Bill Davis commented that there are additional resources available for people who qualify for Veterans Affairs (VA) assistance.

**IV. Public Comment:**

Ravinder Bans addressed the Solano County Local Mental Health Board asking for programs and facilities such as Day Programs for young adults.

Betty Warner addressed the Solano County Local Mental Health Board to advocate for issues that mental health patients experience such as medication side-effects; suggesting funds should be spent on medication research and development.

**V. Board Action Items**

- A. Recommendation for Alan Werblin to continue as Solano County Mental Health Board Chair for 2013 and Dody Reustlel to continue as Vice Chair for 2013.

On a motion from Supervisor Hannigan, and a second by Bill Davis, the Solano County Local Mental Health Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

- B. Recommendation to appoint Judy Thompson as a member on the Solano County Local Mental Health Board.

On a motion from John Rayfield, and a second by Elizabeth delaTorre, the Solano County Local Mental Health Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

- C. Board Comments:

Elizabeth delaTorre would like to see the role of the Solano County Local Mental Health Board and Solano County Mental Health to be more active in the law enforcement training.

Alan Werblin made a request to receive a presentation from ANKA Behavioral Health regarding the Crisis Stabilization Unit.

Bill Davis appreciates comments from the public and invited the public to sign up to be a member of the Solano County Local Mental Health Board and be proactive.

Alan Werblin suggested placing NAMI flyers in Kaiser waiting rooms.

**VI. Adjourn 6:05PM.**