



County of Solano

Local Mental Health Board

Minutes for Meeting of February 18, 2014

2101 Courage Drive, Fairfield CA – Multi-Purpose Room

4:30pm-6:00pm

- I. Due to the lack of a quorum, Board Members received a presentation from members representing the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). NAMI is a nonprofit, volunteer, grassroots organization whose purpose is to support families of individuals with mental illnesses; educate families and the public about mental illness; advocate for improved treatment and treatment facilities; fight stigma and discrimination; support legislation that helps those with neurobiological brain disorders; improve private and public sector policies; provide more housing with support services; and increase outreach to people with mental illnesses and their families. Document packets distributed.

NAMI ask for any assistance from the Board regarding the upcoming NAMI walk in May to include ideas for outreach, participation, sponsorship and donations. Ms. Garcia asked County Mental Health to provide a list of Providers for outreach. The Kickoff party for the NAMI walk will take place on April 16, 2014.

II. Call to Order

- A. Chair delaTorre called the meeting of the Solano County Local Mental Health Board to order at 5:15PM. Roll Call established a quorum.

Members	Elizabeth delaTorre, Chair	District 3
Present:	Barbara Pisching-Wright	District 5
	Angela Faulkner	District 3
	Pamela Reyes	District 5
	Alan Werblin	District 3
Absent:		
	Bill Davis	District 5
	Judy Thompson	District 5
	Erin Hannigan	Supervisor, District 1

Others Present: Halsey Simmons, Cynthia Limerick, Lori Espinosa, Yolanda Garcia-Martinez, Dorothy Lane, Carol Quistgaard

Chair Comments: Chair delaTorre reminded Board Members of the upcoming Brown Act Training provided by Solano County – Flyers and Parking Permits distributed; and



Board Members were reminded that their 700 forms are due. Dr. Werblin asked for a form to be sent to him.

B. Public Comment

None

C. Consent Calendar

- a. On a motion by Angela Faulkner, and a second by Pamela Reyes, the Solano County Mental Health Board approved the Agenda of February 18, 2014 with one correction and the Meeting Minutes of January 21, 2014.
 - i. Elizabeth delaTorre – Aye
 - ii. Angela Faulkner – Aye
 - iii. Pamela Reyes – Aye
 - iv. Alan Werblin – Aye
 - v. Barbara Pisching Wright – Aye, correction on the Agenda from January 21 to February 18.

D. Presentations and Committee Reports:

- a. Due to the absence of Bill Davis and Erin Hannigan, presentation of proclamation to Bill Davis is tabled to the March meeting.
- b. Angela Faulkner reported out on the Outreach Committee to include:
 - i. Announcement of committee meetings at the Fairfield Library the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6:00pm.
 - ii. Board members recommend outreach to the local Day Centers, County Criminal Justice and Solano Community College; Angela would like to distribute brochures and flyers and will request final review by the Behavioral Health Director, Halsey Simmons before distribution.
 - iii. The Kroc Center will host a Health Faire for seniors early September and the Outreach Committee would like to have Mental Health Board representation – please contact Angela Faulkner for further information regarding participation.
 - iv. Committee requests presentations to the Board from County Non-Profit agencies
 1. Mary Roy suggested the Board be aware of the County's Request for Proposal (RFP) process and start with providers who are not involved in the current RFP process.

E. Old Business:

- a. Mary Roy requested time on the March 18, 2014 agenda to present The Solano County Mental Health Services Act three year plan and the 12/14 update.



- b. The Board decided to hold the General Mental Health Advisory Board Meeting first, from 4:30pm-5:30pm and the MHSA Public Hearing from 5:30pm-6:00pm.
- F. Director's Report – Halsey Simmons, Behavioral Health Director gave an update of the Cultural Competency meetings and will provide the Board with meeting minutes.
- G. May is Mental Health Month:
- a. Alan Werblin suggested participating in an ART Show
 - b. Halsey Simmons will provide the Board with the press kit from CalMHSA when available.
- H. Board Comments:
- a. Barbara Pisching Wright requested name tags be provided from Solano County to Board Member Volunteers for Outreach
 - b. Angela Faulkner distributed information of state requirements on how board members are selected
 - c. Halsey Simmons stated that Mental Health and County Counsel are in discussion regarding changing the selection process of Board Members in the current by-laws.
 - d. Lis delaTorre commented that future board membership should be reflected by the community it serves
 - e. Board members reconfirmed that Lori Espinosa was interviewed by the Board Executive Committee and the Board Members did vote to recommend her to the Board of Supervisors for appointment
 - f. Angela Faulkner stated that the Board does not have anybody representing the LGBTQ community and applicant Carol Quistgaard meets the criteria.
 - g. Halsey Simmons will provide the Board with County demographics
 - h. Barbara Pisching Wright stated that she would like to help the executive committee with retreat preparation and Chair delaTorre accepted.

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