

August 19, 2014



SOLANO COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD
Minutes for Meeting of
August 19, 2014

I. CALL TO ORDER

Angela Faulkner called the meeting of the Solano County Mental Health Advisory Board to order at 4:35pm. A quorum was confirmed. The Board welcomed Marven Lightner as the newest member to sit on the Mental Health Advisory Board.

MEMBERS

PRESENT: Marven Lightner District 2
Angela Faulkner District 3
Barbara Pisching Wright District 5
Lori Espinosa District 5
Pamela Reyes District 5

MEMBERS

ABSENT: Elizabeth Delatorre District 3
Alan Werblin District 3
Erin Hannigan District 1, Board of Supervisors

STAFF *In Alphabetical Order by Last Name:*

PRESENT: Cynthia Limerick Mental Health Services Administration
Mary Roy Mental Health Services Senior Manager (MHSA)
Andrew Williamson Mental Health Services Manager

OTHERS

PRESENT: *In Alphabetical Order by Last Name:*
Gene Korte Esmerelda Liberato
Cheri Hendrickson Kathleen Lightner
Dorothy Laney Sara Pryor
Ron Scott Rhenae Keyes
Betty Warner

II. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The Mental Health Advisory Board received comments from Dorothy Laney from NAMI and Gene Korte on behalf of the Solano County Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board.

The Board requested to put an item on the September agenda to vote Marven Lightner as the Mental Health Advisory Board representative to sit on the Solano County Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR

Barbara Pisching Wright made a motion to approve the Agenda of August 19 and the Meeting Minutes of June 17, 2014 and a second by Pamela Reyes.

Discussion: Delete “Abstain the minutes of May 20” next to the name of Angela Faulkner on all voting sections except section B. Consent Calendar. Agenda addition: outreach committee is requesting approval to distribute flyers at the upcoming Health Fair.

The minutes and agenda were approved with corrections:
Marven Lightner – Aye on Agenda; Abstain Meeting Minutes
Angela Faulkner – Aye
Barbara Pisching Wright – Aye
Lori Espinosa – Aye
Pamela Reyes - Aye

IV. PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

The Board received the informational presentation from Andrew Williamson, Mental Health Services Manager of Substance Abuse unit. The Board asked for a follow up report next year regarding the Walden House treatment center.

Mary Roy gave a report on the Mental Health Services Act and the transition from Our Way Solano to Circle of Friends, the provider of the Wellness and Recovery Center. Both agencies have worked together collaboratively to create a smooth transition. Circle of Friends will start operations September 1, 2014. The Board asked for an update regarding the transportation system for consumers attending the Circle of Friends. Ms. Roy also reported that Exodus Recovery Inc. will take over as the Crisis Stabilization Unit contractor beginning October 1, 2014.

The Board asked for a list of the new MHSA service contractors.

V. OLD BUSINESS –ACTION ITEMS:

Consideration of Mental Health Advisory Board Mission Statement

The Mental Health Advisory Board reviewed a list of mission statements discussed at previous meetings and Barbara Pisching Wright made a motion to accept the 1st mission statement for consideration and Angela seconded.

Discussion:

Lori Espinosa requested to include dignity, courtesy and respect to the mission statement. Barbara Pisching Wright recommended changing Solano County’s Behavioral Health Care Services to Solano County’s Mental Health Care Services. Lori Espinosa made a motion to amend the mission statement and a second by Pamela Reyes

Marven Lightner, Aye
Pamela Reyes, Aye
Angela Faulkner, Aye
Barbara Pisching Wright, Aye
Lori Espinosa, Aye

The Mental Health Advisory Board chose to adopt the following mission statement:

Solano County Mental Health Advisory Board has a commitment to ensure that Solano County’s Mental Health Care Services provide quality care in treating members of the diverse community with dignity, courtesy and respect. The Board shall facilitate communication between the consumer, the community, mental health service providers and the Board of Supervisors. This shall be accomplished through advocacy, education, prevention, early intervention, review and evaluation of Solano County’s mental health needs and services.

Mental Health Advisory Board Meeting Frequency

In 2013, The Mental Health Advisory Board met every other month. In 2014, The Mental Health Advisory Board adopted to meet every month and revisit the meeting frequency issue in August. The Mental Health Advisory Board recommends meeting monthly. On a motion by Lori Espinosa and a second by Barbara Pisching Wright, the Mental Health Advisory Board unanimously voted to meet monthly.

Marven Lightner - Aye
Pamela Reyes - Aye
Angela Faulkner - Aye
Barbara Pisching Wright - Aye
Lori Espinosa - Aye

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Outreach Committee Report– Angela Faulkner

The Outreach Committee would like to participate in three (3) upcoming community events in Solano County and provide informational materials on Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Suicide Prevention. Angela Faulkner made a motion that the Outreach Committee be approved to have a booth at all three events.

Discussion: Barbara Pisching Wright inquired about the booth materials. Angela stated that she will come to Solano County Mental Health Administration the day before the events and pick up the booth materials. She will also ask for volunteers to participate at the events. Angela will verify with Halsey Simmons, Behavioral Health Director, to make sure that other County Contractors can share the booth. Pamela Reyes recommended setting up the booth near North Bay Health Care as they have a Suicide Prevention Group participating in the events.

The Mental Health Advisory Board unanimously approved the motion:

Marven Lightner – Aye
Pamela Reyes – Aye
Angela Faulkner – Aye
Barbara Pisching Wright – Aye
Lori Espinosa – Aye

The Outreach Committee presented copies of flyers they want to distribute at the three upcoming events and asked for approval from the Mental Health Advisory Board. On a motion by Angela Faulkner and a second by Marven Lightner, the Mental Health Advisory Board unanimously approved the distribution of flyers and pocket flyers for distribution at The Kroc Senior Health Fair, Kaiser Family Picnic Day, and “Fabulous at 50 or Better Healthy Living”.

Marven Lightner – Aye
Pamela Reyes – Aye
Angela Faulkner – Aye
Barbara Pisching Wright – Aye
Lori Espinosa – Aye

Ad Hoc Bylaws Committee Report – Barbara Pisching Wright

Ms. Pisching Wright distributed the completed revised bylaws version 2.3 reviewed by County Counsel for Mental Health Advisory Board approval. Angela Faulkner made a motion to approve the draft bylaws for Solano County Mental Health Advisory Board revision 2.3 with a second by Marven Lightner.

Discussion: Marven Lightner referenced a redundancy of language on page 6 regarding office removals. Barbara stated on page 4, section 1 to remove the third Tuesday and insert the Mental Health Advisory Board shall meet monthly at a convenient location. Strike the last paragraph on page 7. Bylaws Committee will forward revisions to County Counsel. Angela Faulkner withdrew the motion to approve the bylaws pending the review of County Counsel and requested to put the approval of the

amended bylaws on the September agenda. A second by Barbara Pisching Wright; the Mental Health Board unanimously approved:

Lori Espinosa – Aye

Marven Lightner – Aye

Pamela Reyes – Aye

Barbara Pisching Wright – Aye

Angela Faulkner – Aye

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Lori Espinosa created and distributed a facility site visit form for Board Members to use to fulfill one of their duties as a member of the Mental Health Advisory Board. The Board recommends reviewing the form and vote on the form in the September meeting as an agenda item.

The Board requested from Solano County Mental Health a list of facilities and providers; a tutorial on the Brown Act; name tag and business cards for new member Marven Lightner.

VIII. BOARD COMMENTS

Angela Faulkner is requesting a copy of the EQRO.

The Ad Hoc goals committee created some proposed goals and would like an agenda item on the September meeting to review and vote on goals.

Barbara Pisching Wright established the custodian of records as Mental Health Administration.

The Board has asked to vote on a nominating committee on the September agenda.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:15pm. The next regular meeting of the Mental Health Advisory Board is scheduled for Tuesday, September 16, 2014, 4:30pm at 2101 Courage Drive, Fairfield CA 94533, Multi-Purpose Room.