

December 16, 2014



SOLANO COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD
Minutes for Meeting of
December 16, 2014

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson, Lis Delatorre called the meeting of the Solano County Mental Health Advisory Board (MHAB) to order at 4:40pm and welcomed newest member, Esmeralda Liberato. Roll call confirmed a quorum.

MEMBERS	Lis Delatorre	Barbara Pisching-Wright
PRESENT:	Lori Espinosa	Pamela Reyes
	Angela Faulkner	Alan Werblin
	Erin Hannigan	
	Esmeralda Liberato	

STAFF *In Alphabetical Order by Last Name:*

PRESENT:	Vince Burgess	Mental Health Services Administrator
	Cynthia Limerick	Mental Health Services Administration
	Mary Roy	Mental Health Services Senior Manager (MHSA)
	Halsey Simmons	Behavioral Health Director

OTHERS *In Alphabetical Order by Last Name:*

PRESENT:	Tiffany Banks	Ron Scott
	Annette Glass	Dorothy Steel
	Johanna Klibanoff	Betty Warner
	Melanie Norris	

II. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The MHAB received a public comment from Johanna Klibanoff.

III. AGENDA APPROVAL

Supervisor Hannigan moved to approve the MHAB Agenda of December 16, 2014 as written and a second by Angela Faulkner.

Discussion: None; Vote 8/0/0

Motion Approved by Unanimous Vote

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Supervisor Hannigan moved to approve the MHAB Meeting Minutes of October 21, 2014 and a second by Angela Faulkner.

Discussion: None; Vote 8/0/0

Motion Approved by Unanimous Vote

V. PROGRAM PRESENTATIONS

None

VI. DIRECTOR/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Behavioral Health Program Report:

Mary Roy, Senior Mental Health Services Manager, provided an update on The Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) programs and services in Solano County.

- In conjunction with The American Foundation for Suicide and NorthBay Healthcare, Solano County hosted the first Suicide Loss Survivors Day on November 22, 2014. Mental Health Advisory Board members Lori Espinosa and Pamela Reyes participated in the event, and Lori Espinosa was an event speaker. Ms. Espinosa and Ms. Reyes also participate in Solano County's active and engaged Suicide Prevention Committee working toward creating a support network for individuals at risk of suicide.
- The Board of Supervisors recently approved a contract, funded by MHSA/Prop 63, with the University of California Davis EDAPT program to provide training and supervision in collaboration with Aldea, a local mental health services contract provider, in evidenced-based early psychosis care to address the needs of individuals age 12-25 in our community. Solano County MHSA is currently working with SAMHSA for additional grant funding to extend the project for ages 12 to 30.
- Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) in Vallejo was well received by law enforcement and an additional training is scheduled for January 2015. Vallejo will be conducting a de-escalation skills day as well as more training going forward.
- MHSA is working on an innovation project to create services to underserved cultural communities focusing on outreach to Filipino, Latino, and LGBTQ communities.

Vince Burgess, Mental Health Services Administrator, announced that State auditors are currently on site for the scheduled triennial audit. The board would like to receive a report of the findings and any plan of correction and asked to place the DHCS Triennial Audit Report to the Mental Health Advisory Board on the June 16, 2015 meeting agenda.

Halsey Simmons, Behavioral Health Director, provided an update on Local, State and Federal Mental Health Services.

- Solano County Behavioral Health Division is expecting good results regarding the DHCS Triennial Audit; and a special acknowledgement to Rob George, Mental Health Services Manager and team.
- Solano County's Katie A Collaborative received accolades from the Northern California Collaborative. The MHAB would like a presentation from the Katie A Collaborative to include what happens to these foster children when they age out.
- Our Mentally Ill Homeless Outreach position was approved by the Civil Service Board and recruitment is scheduled in January. This position is tasked with working intensively with cities and agencies on the issues of the mentally ill homeless.
- We are likely to be cancelling our Saturday clinic and instead having individuals with urgent medication needs referred to Exodus Recovery, our Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU). Exodus does crisis counseling and Bay Area Community Services (BACS) has a staff member on site at the CSU every day from 10am-12pm for therapy.

Mental Health Advisory Board Outreach Committee Report provided by Angela Faulkner:

Ms. Faulkner asked if board members would like to volunteer at future outreach events and the upcoming health fair in Vacaville on January 31, 2015. Angela will send an email notification of upcoming events.

Mental Health Advisory Board Executive Committee Report provided by Lis Delatorre:

Elections for Board Chair and Vice-Chair 2015 positions will take place in January.

Nominations for Chair:

- Lori Espinosa, nominated by Angela Faulkner

Nominations for Vice-Chair:

- Barbara Pisching-Wright, nominated by Angela Faulkner
- Esmeralda Liberato, nominated by Lis Delatorre
- Pamela Reyes (declined)

SCHEDULED CALENDAR ITEMS REQUIRE BOARD ACTION:

1. Angela Faulkner moved to approve the facility observation form as an option to use when conducting Mental Health Service Providers site surveys; seconded by Erin Hannigan:
Discussion: None; Vote: 8/0/0
Motion Approved by Unanimous Vote
2. Angela Faulkner moved to approve the provision of Know the Signs and Mental Health promotional materials to the Outreach Committee for distribution at health fair events; seconded by Erin Hannigan:
Discussion: Board members request promotional materials be printed in English and Spanish.
Vote: 8/0/0
Motion Approved by Unanimous Vote
3. Mental Health Advisory Board Annual Report: Angela Faulkner moved to table approval of the annual report to the January meeting and seconded by Barbara Pisching-Wright:
Discussion: Erin Hannigan announced a change made to the bylaws before approval by the Board of Supervisors. Lori Espinosa announced a need for a further revision to the bylaws in ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP Section I. Qualifications:
The Mental Health Advisory Board shall comprise between five (5) and sixteen (16) members; to be changed to “between ten (10) and sixteen (16) members.
The Board decided to schedule the next round of revisions and corrections to the bylaws on the September 2015 calendar.
Vote: 8/0/0
Motion Approved by Unanimous Vote
4. Angela Faulkner made the motion to recommend to the Board of Supervisors the appointment of Ms. Tiffany Banks to the Mental Health Advisory Board; seconded by Lori Espinosa:
Discussion: After a brief introduction from Ms. Banks, Supervisor Hannigan received clarification from Behavioral Health Director and confirmed by County Counsel that appointment of members does not require the need to observe district proportionality.
Vote: 8/0/0
Motion Approved by Unanimous Vote

VII. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT
None

VIII. BOARD COMMENTS

- Ms. Faulkner requested to receive information on current and/or future programs and support groups provided in languages other than English.
- Halsey Simmons will provide the Cultural Competence Plan Update and the Innovation Work Plan to the MHAB.
- Dr. Werblin discussed the future of telepsychiatry and virtual support groups and its issues with cultural competence and psychiatry.
- Ms. Liberato stated the need for bilingual psychiatry.
- Chair Delatorre acknowledged two MHAB applicants, Melanie Norris and Dorothy Steele, and asked that interviews be scheduled.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:10pm. The next regular meeting of the Mental Health Advisory Board is scheduled for Tuesday, January 20, 2015; 4:30pm at 2101 Courage Drive, Fairfield CA 94533, Multi-Purpose Room.