

February 17, 2015



SOLANO COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD
Minutes for Meeting of
February 17, 2015

I. CALL TO ORDER

Lori Espinosa called the meeting of the Solano County Mental Health Advisory Board (MHAB) to order at 4:45pm. Roll call confirmed a quorum.

MEMBERS Tiffany Banks
PRESENT: Lis Delatorre
 Lori Espinosa
 Angela Faulkner
 Esmeralda Liberato
 Pamela Reyes
 Barbara Pisching-Wright

MEMBERS Erin Hannigan
ABSENT: Alan Werblin

STAFF *In Alphabetical Order by Last Name:*
PRESENT: Vince Burgess Mental Health Services Administrator
 Judeth Greco-Gregory Mental Health Services Supervisor
 Gerald Huber Health & Social Services Director
 Cindy Limerick Mental Health Administration
 Mary Roy Mental Health Services Senior Manager (MHSA)
 Halsey Simmons Behavioral Health Director

OTHERS
PRESENT: *In Alphabetical Order by Last Name:*
 Jolie Brower
 Sara Pryor
 Dorothy Steel
 Betty Warner

II. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None

III. AGENDA APPROVAL and APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Barbara Pisching-Wright made a motion to approve the agenda of February 17, 2015 and the meeting minutes of January 20, 2015 as written; seconded by Pamela Reyes.

Discussion: None; Vote 7/0/0

Motion Approved by Unanimous Vote

IV. SCHEDULED CALENDAR ITEMS REQUIRE BOARD ACTION:

1. Discuss the possibility of a Mental Health Advisory Board Retreat

Discussion: Tiffany Banks recommends scheduling the retreat on a weekend. April might be too full with preparation of May is Mental Health month. Date/time to be determined at next meeting.

No action taken on this topic.

2. Lori Espinosa motioned to table Establishing an Ad Hoc Translation Committee to the next MHAB meeting and seconded by Barbara Pisching-Wright.
Discussion: None: Vote: 7/0/0
Motion Approved by Unanimous Vote
3. The Board discussed ideas for participation in May is Mental Health Month 2015.
Halsey Simmons stated that there is a budget allocated for materials and outreach for May is Mental Health Month through MHSA dollars. Lis Delatorre suggested considering an Art Show to include consumer artists.
Lori Espinosa made a motion to pursue an art show for May is Mental Health Month
Vote: 5/0/2 (Abstain: Barbara Pisching-Wright and Angela Faulkner)

Lori Espinosa motioned to add an Ad Hoc Committee of Angela Faulkner, Lis Delatorre, and Esmeralda Liberato to research and plan an Art Show program for May is Mental Health Month and present to the board next month for a vote. Seconded by Barbara Pisching-Wright
Vote: 7/0/0
Motion approved by unanimous vote

V. PROGRAM PRESENTATIONS

The Board received a presentation of introduction from Gerald Huber, Director of Health and Social Services, Solano County.

VI. DIRECTOR/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Behavioral Health Program Report:

Halsey Simmons, Behavioral Health Director, provided an update on Local, State and Federal Mental Health Services to include updates regarding:

- State Hospitalization Rates
- Mid-Year Budget
- Psychiatrist recruitment efforts
- Graduate level Intern program managed by Judeth Greco-Gregory.

Vince Burgess, Mental Health Services Administrator, reported out on the purchase of a data driven decision making software module from Netsmart.

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

- Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission will hold a community forum on MHSA here in Solano County, March 19th at the Marriott Courtyard. Board members were invited to participate. Esmeralda Liberato volunteered as a speaker and Lis Delatorre as a translator.
- B4 Stage 4 is the 2015 theme of May is Mental Health month. Ms. Roy suggested receiving a presentation by Aldea on their early intervention and psychosis program.
- Suicide Prevention Committee and MHSA will provide an information night partnering with the schools in response to recent suicides.
- Staff received Family Acceptance Training to better integrate services to the LGBTQ community.
- Workforce, Education and Training Internships and Loan Assumption Program.

- Cultural Competence Committee is active and developing a comprehensive update. Documentation and information will be sent to the MHAB.

Mental Health Advisory Board Executive Committee:

Lori Espinosa, Board Chair, announced a scheduled site visit to the Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU). Ms. Pisching-Wright requested all attendees complete the board approved site visit form. The group will meet at 3:30pm in the lobby of Substance Abuse on February 19, 2015.

Outreach Committee Report:

Esmeralda Liberato spoke at the January Health Faire. Angela Faulkner requested outreach materials in English and Spanish.

Ms. Faulkner is not able to attend the NAMI Walk Kick-Off event on March 6th in Sacramento and asked if another board member could attend on her behalf.

Tiffany Banks volunteered to create a Veteran's Outreach resource form.

Membership Committee:

Barbara Pisching-Wright and Tiffany Banks along with Halsey Simmons will interview two potential board members on Friday.

VII. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None

VIII. BOARD COMMENTS

- Angela Faulkner requested Esmeralda Liberato to be placed on the March agenda under Program Presentation; Ms. Faulkner requests MHSA outcomes data.
- Esmeralda Liberato appreciates the opportunity to speak at the next board meeting and the Community Forum
- Chair Espinosa reminded committees to submit agendas and meeting minutes for official records; Chair Espinosa requests a field trip to view the data extraction module once up and running.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:25pm. The next regular meeting of the Mental Health Advisory Board is scheduled for Tuesday, March 17, 2015; 4:30pm at 2101 Courage Drive, Fairfield CA 94533, Multi-Purpose Room.