

August 18, 2015



SOLANO COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD
Minutes for Meeting of
August 18, 2015

I. CALL TO ORDER

Angela Faulkner called the meeting of the Solano County Mental Health Advisory Board (MHAB) to order at 4:35pm. Roll call confirmed a quorum.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tiffany Banks;
Christie Lynn DeClue
Angela Faulkner
Esmeralda Liberato
Erin Hannigan
Pamela Reyes
Melanie Norris
Alan Werblin

MEMBERS ABSENT: Lis Delatorre, Lori Espinosa; Barbara Pisching Wright

STAFF PRESENT: *In Alphabetical Order by Last Name:*
Leticia De La Cruz Salas Mental Health Services Administrator
Josette Lacey Board of Supervisors
Cindy Limerick Mental Health Administration
Sabine Goerke-Shrode Board of Supervisors
Halsey Simmons Behavioral Health Director
Sandra Sinz Mental Health Services Administrator
Akon Walker Project Manager

OTHERS PRESENT: *In Alphabetical Order by Last Name:*
Dorothy Laney; Sara Pryor; Gordon Richardson; Ron Scott; Will Taylor

The Board introduced and welcomed newest member and liaison to the Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board, Ms. Christie Lynn DeClue.

II. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Akon Walker, Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Project Manager, requested space on the November 2015 calendar to hold a public hearing for the MHSA Annual Update. The Board suggested making this request an agenda item for discussion at the September meeting.

III. AGENDA APPROVAL and APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Reviewed the August agenda and moved the Caminar program presentation to the October, 2015 meeting and changed the name of Board Member Christie L. DeClue to Christie Lynn Declue. With no other changes to the Agenda of August 18, 2015, Pamela Reyes made a motion to approve and a second by Tiffany Banks.

Vote 8/0/0

Motion Approved by Unanimous Vote

Supervisor Hannigan made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of June 16, 2015 as written; seconded by Pamela Reyes.

Discussion: None; Vote 7/0/1

Motion Approved by Unanimous Vote

Abstain: Angela Faulkner

IV. PROGRAM PRESENTATIONS:

The Board received a presentation by Halsey Simmons, Solano County Behavioral Health Director, regarding Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Waiver

Mr. Simmons provided a brief summary of the Medi-Cal Substance Use Disorder Waiver, described the current system of care for substance abuse services, and discussed next steps for Solano County Behavioral Health's participation in the program.

Comments, Questions & Answers:

1. Is the Drug Court a part of this and is this integrated into that program? If the person is eligible for Medi-Cal, they will be eligible for treatment services under this program.
2. Who pays for the bills for Medical Detox? Medical detox was envisioned in this with an increasing emphasis on medication assisted treatment.
3. Who pays for chemical dependency residential treatment in this program? Medi-Cal

V. 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:

- Retirement of Mary Roy, Sr. Mental Health Services Manager and Mental Health Services Act program Manager. The Department is actively recruiting for her replacement.
- Introduction of Mental Health Services Administrators Sandra Sinz and Leticia De La Cruz Salas.

Leticia De La Cruz Salas, Mental Health Services Administrator

- Ms. De La Cruz Salas announced that three staff will be speakers at the upcoming National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) California Multicultural Symposium in conjunction with contract partner, UC Davis Center for Reducing Health Disparities.

Mary Roy, Sr. Mental Health Services Manager for Mental Health Services Act (MHSA)

- Akon Walker, Project Manager, will be taking the lead on the Suicide Prevention Committee
- Ms. Walker showed a public information announcement on suicide prevention that Solano County in conjunction with Solano County Office of Education is showing in the local theaters. Board Members suggested:
 - Provide contact information and phone numbers and post in theatres and public venues.
- Suicide prevention school tool kits will be going out to all Solano County public middle and high schools
 - Supervisor Hannigan suggested providing holders for brochures and confirmed that each school have a point person responsible for the distribution of the tool kits; integrate this in "Parent Back to School" night; provide linkage to services on the school web pages; and the toolkits should also go out to private schools as well as public schools.

Mental Health Advisory Board Executive Committee:

Mental Health Advisory Board Retreat dates discussed with three recommended dates: Sept. 23, Sept 30, or Oct.1.

Outreach Committee Report: Angela Faulkner

The next event scheduled is September 16th at the Kroc Center. Board members and NAMI will be distributing information. Tiffany Banks is stepping down from the outreach committee.

Membership Committee: Tiffany Banks

The Membership Committee is working out a marketing campaign; looking for more diversity on the board and a strong obligation to include consumers.

VI. Items VI. 1. And VI.2 tabled until the September meeting

VII. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

- Dorothy Laney of Solano NAMI announced various upcoming events, programs and distributed flyers.
- Sara Pryor of PEAS-AA.A announced upcoming trainings, support groups and distributed flyers of various events and programs

VIII. BOARD COMMENTS

- Pamela Reyes announced her resignation from the Mental Health Advisory Board.
- Melanie Norris recommended updating information on the Solano County Mental Health Web Page. Halsey Simmons stated that the website is currently under construction and will be integrating into the Network of Care.
- Christie Lynn DeClue provided information on the upcoming Recovery Symposium 2015 and Recovery Walk, Rally and Memoriam.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:53pm. The next regular meeting of the Mental Health Advisory Board is scheduled for Tuesday, September 15, 2015; 4:30pm at 2101 Courage Drive, Fairfield CA 94533, Multi-Purpose Room.