



BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND RECOVERY SERVICES
A Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug Service Organization

Madelyn Schlaepfer, Ph.D.
Director

ADVISORY BOARD ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAMS
MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

Thursday, November 19, 2015

4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Stanislaus Recovery Center, 1904 Richland Ave., Ceres, CA

MINUTES

ABSAP MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Robin
Randy Heldt

Michael Shinkel
Kathy Rupe

Charmaine Monte
Jill Neifer

ABSAP MEMBERS ABSENT:

Gregg Clifton

Eric Parsons

Jeff Gullo

MHB MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sheila Kendall
Virginia Solorzano
Yvette McShan
Jorelod Rosenthal

Ritta Sudnikoff
Tony Flores
Annie Henrich

Jack Waldorf
Vern Masse
Jerald Rhine
Terry Withrow

MHB MEMBERS ABSENT:

Kimberly Kennard

Frank Ploof

BHRS STAFF PRESENT:

Veronica Ortiz-Valle
Cynthia Bocage
Stephanie Correia
Uday Mukherjee
Dan Rosas

Jennifer Marsh
Charles Yarnell
Dawn Vercelli
Pam Esparza
Mel Bledsoe

Madelyn Schlaepfer
Cameo Culcasi
Debra Buckles
Alma Torres
Amy Avila
Melissa Hale

GUESTS PRESENT:

Chester Moon
Michelle Mendoza
Amanda Castor
Caroline Culala
Shaun Hughes
Kevin Albitran
Angelina Flores
John Zacharias
Devin Woods
Melissa Stewart
G. Alex

Stephanie Hoyos
Lesa Johnson
Richard Salazar
Ken Fitzgerald
Edward Gonzales
Viviana Tovar
Alex Medina
Francisca Parada
Justin Phillips
Vicky Ryman
Chelsea Rambo

Manolo Medina
Shawn Murphy
Amber Vargas
Mandy Aguirre
Dale Cripe
Alan Friel
Brian Manes
Robert Basso
Alberto Alvarez
Raul Rizo
Crystal Camp

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I. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS

John Robin, ABSAP Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:09 p.m.

John Robin led the ABSAP, Mental Health Board and members of the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those in attendance introduced themselves.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

None reported.

III. CORRESPONDENCE

Veronica Ortiz-Valle stated she received a notice of resignation from Randy Heldt effective December 31, 2015. Randy was recognized for his service and commitment to the Advisory Board on Substance Abuse Programs.

IV. ELECTION OF OFFICERS – ADVISORY BOARD ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAMS (ABSAP)

The Slate of Officers was presented: Michael Shinkel for Chair and Jeff Gullo for Vice Chair.

A motion to elect Michael Shinkel as Chair and Jeff Gullo as Vice Chair was made by unanimous consent.

V. ELECTION OF OFFICERS – MENTAL HEALTH BOARD (MHB)

The Slate of Officers was presented: Jack Waldorf for Chair and Ritta Sudnikoff for Vice-Chair.

A motion to elect Jack Waldorf as Chair and Ritta Sudnikoff as Vice Chair was made by unanimous consent.

VI. PRESENTATION: STANISLAUS RECOVERY CENTER (SRC) CO- OCCURRING DISORDER (COD) FULL SERVICE PARTNERSHIP (FSP)

Melissa Hale, Program Coordinator presented a PowerPoint presentation with an overview on the Co-Occurring Disorders (COD), Full Service Partnership Program (FSP). The COD/FSP program is designed to provide intensive treatment to those individuals, 18 years or older, with a primary diagnosis of mental health and substance abuse disorder. Services offered include: "Housing First" Model; Primary Care access on-site; Treatment for Substance Use Disorder (SUD) and Mental Health (MH). The program is scheduled to open March 2016 and will be co-located at SRC.

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VII. PRESENTATION: FY 15/16 Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) PLAN UPDATE

Dan Rosas presented a PowerPoint presentation on the FY 15/16 MHSA Plan Update with a highlight on the Suicide Prevention Innovation (INN) Project, one of the five components of the MHSA Plan. The Innovation component is a three year project with the primary purpose to promote interagency and community collaboration related to mental health services, support, or outcomes. In addition, Dan provided an overview of the MHSA Plan funding and implementation process utilizing the metaphor of the three-legged stool where each leg portrays the different processes that sustain funding: MHSA Statute, Regulations, and Guidelines; Representative Stakeholder Input; and BHRS Capacity to implement funds. Other components that have been implemented include Community Services and Supports (CSS); Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI); Workforce Education and Training (WET); Capital Facilities/Technological Needs (CF/TN). The FY 15/16 Plan Update will go before the Board of Supervisors (BOS) for approval on January 5, 2015. For more information on the MHSA Plan Updates is accessible at www.stanislausmhsa.com.

VIII. PRESENTATION: RECOVERY POSTER CONTEST

Stanislaus Recovery Center clients participated in a poster contest with the theme “What Recovery Means to Me.” ABSAP Board members donated gift cards for the top three winners. Chair John Robin and Vice Chair Jack Waldorf served as the Judges.

IX. ABSAP REPORT

Chair John Robin mentioned that the ABSAP Board will begin planning for the 2015 ABSAP report. ABSAP Board members were asked for their thoughts and ideas in preparation of the report.

X. MHB REPORT

Vice Chair Jack Waldorf shared that the Mental Health Board Annual Report was finalized and presented for consideration to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) on Tuesday, November 17, 2015. The report was well received.

XI. DEPARTMENT REPORT

Madelyn Schlaepfer, Ph.D. briefly summarized legislation on Peer Certification which continues in the development phase in anticipation for approval at the next legislature.

The MHSA Plan Update FY 15/16 will be presented before the Board of Supervisors (BOS) on December 15, 2015 for approval. The MHSA Plan Update consists of the following proposals: Full Service Partnership program for Children and Youth, Supportive Employment Expansion, and a Crisis Intervention Program for children ages 6 – 17 years old.

The application for Drug Medi-Cal Certification for SRC has been finalized.

The External Quality Review Organization (EQRO) will conduct a State audit on the overall overview of mental health services and outcomes in Stanislaus County. The audit is scheduled December 3 - 4, 2015.

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In addition, Dr. Schlaepfer brought up the discussion about the Ad Hoc Merge Committee and the need to have an alternate from each board to attend the meeting. John Robin and Vern Masse volunteered as alternates. The mission of the Ad Hoc Committee is to explore the possibility to combine MHB and ABSAP to create a Behavioral Health Board.

Jennifer Marsh mentioned that the Modesto City Council has passed the ordinance for a permanent prescription drop-off at Modesto Police Department to operate effective January 1, 2016.

XII. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None Reported.

XIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

The next ABSAP Board meeting will be held on Thursday, January 21, 2016 at 4:00 p.m., Redwood Room, 800 Scenic Drive, Modesto. The next MHB meeting will be held on Thursday, January 28, 2016, 5:00 p.m., Redwood Room, 800 Scenic Drive, Modesto.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cynthia Bocage
Confidential Assistant III