



**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD
July 26, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting convened at 5:00 p.m. and called to order by Chair, Jack Waldorf.

Those in attendance introduced themselves.

Carlos Hernandez led the board members and the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Annie Henrich, Carlos Hernandez, Carmen Maldonado, Charmaine Monte, Vern Masse, Frank Ploof, Jerold Rosenthal, Jill Neifer, Kathy Rupe, Mike Shinkel, Virginia Solorzano, Amy Thomas, Jack Waldorf, Supervisor Terry Withrow

MEMBERS ABSENT

Rebecca Clover, Gregg Clifton, Susan Kirk, Yvette McShan, Thomas Olsen

STAFF PRESENT

Rick DeGette, Cynthia Bocage, Leng Power, Teresa Garibay

GUESTS PRESENT

Barbara Johnson, Jerry Galeazzi, Irene Hooper, Tim St. Martin, Rachel Cisneros, John Black, Teresa Madrigal, Mehta Puja, Margie Johnson, Alicia Silva, Dr. Diane Grayson, Jamie Hoover, Jim Rokaitis

PUBLIC COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

CORRESPONDENCE - None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action: Kathy Rupe made the motion to approve the Behavioral Health Board minutes of June 28, 2018, Virginia Solorzano second the motion.

CONSUMER REPORTS/COMMENTS

John Black reported that the training on recovery at the Gospel Mission was successful. He also attended the Blues Festival in June and the Wellness Recovery Center 20th Anniversary. Jack Waldorf announced he is teaching the Family-to-Family class in September 2018.

FAMILY MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS

A Board member gave an update on her niece's story. She learned that her niece had co-occurring disorders and was very suicidal. Jill Neifer acknowledged John Black for his role in the community.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REPORT

Supervisor Withrow reported that the Board of Supervisors met in July to discuss the Strategy Visioning process. The board hired a consultant to assist with the process. The Board is gathering information and looking at the most efficient way to provide better care services in a changing community. The Board of Supervisors has not made any decisions yet.

PRESENTATION – Valley Mountain Regional Center

Dr. Barbara Johnson presented on the Valley Mountain Regional Center (VMRC). The PowerPoint presentation entitled Understanding the Regional Center System and the Prevalence of Dual Diagnosis focused on the following: VMRC is one of 21 private, non-profit regional centers in California funded by the State Department of Developmental Services (DDS). Mandated by law to provide and coordinate voluntary services for individuals with or at risk for developmental disabilities and their families serving five counties: Stanislaus, San Joaquin, Tuolumne, Calaveras and Amador. Developmental disabilities include, intellectual disability, epilepsy, cerebral palsy, autism spectrum disorder, a condition similar or requiring treatment similar to an intellectual disability. Regional Centers are not direct service providers for medical or mental health services; emergency response agency – although can be contacted after hours; nor residential treatment centers. The presentation included topics such as demographics; dual diagnosis definition; myths; studies; statistics; meaning; barriers to accessing services; and what can be done. Dr. Johnson announced a community event on October 23 – 24, 2018 entitled Bridging the GAP – Co-Occurring Disorders and Development Disability presented by VMRC and BHRS. This event is to encourage collaboration for comprehensive care, raise awareness by generating community among and within community agencies. Targeted audience for this event is Mental Health Clinicians.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee

Jack Waldorf reported that the committee did not meet in July as the agenda was set at June's meeting.

Administrative, Fiscal Management Committee

Mike Shinkel reported that the committee reviewed FY 2017-18 budget to date. Mike reported that starting this year, a 2-year budget would be developed.

Managed Care Committee

Jack Waldorf reported that the committee met and reviewed the statistics for DBHC, PHF, and CSU.

Prevention and Community Education/Outreach Committee

Carmen reported on the 20 years of recovery and re-grand opening of the Wellness Recovery Center Wellness held on July 13, 2018. Jim Hurley, co-founder, was the guest speaker. The celebration was welcoming, approximately 250 people attended, a successful event. Acknowledgement went to those who contributed to the success of the event.

Impact - Department Run Services Committee

Vern Masse reported that the committee reviewed potential program presentations and site visits for the rest of the year. Vern conveyed that department programs may not be aware of site visits.

Impact – Contract Run Services Committee

Frank Ploof reported July's meeting was canceled.

CULTURAL COMPETENCY, EQUITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE (CCESJC)

Carmen Maldonado reported July's meeting was canceled.

DEPARTMENT REPORT

Rick DeGette reported on the following:

- Discussed the transcript from the Department of Health and Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Hearing on: 21st Century Cures Implementation: Examining Mental Health Initiatives.
- Discussed the agreement regarding the 16-bed Crisis Residential Program located in Merced County, a collaboration of five counties including Stanislaus County. The residential program will open mid-late fall 2018. Stanislaus will have four of the 16 beds.

Legislation:

- AB 1810 - Jail diversion funding. Mental health diversion for all criminals allows a defendant suffering from a mental disorder to be granted pre-trial diversion for any crime if a judge finds the disorder played a significant role in the crime. Fifteen counties identified to receive funding including Stanislaus. Information forthcoming on how this bill will work.
- AB 1045/1971 - Conservatorship for a person incapable of caring for their own health and well-being due to a serious mental illness and substance use disorder.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annie Henrich invited board members to the Family International Festival on August 11, 2018. Teresa will send the flyer with details to board members. Jack Waldorf indicated that District Attorney, Birgit Fladager, would be presenting at the August Behavioral Health Board Meeting on the Mental Health Court, Adult Drug Court, and Homeless Court.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m. The next meeting will be on August 23, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., at 800 Scenic Drive Redwood Room.

Respectfully Submitted by Teresa Garibay, Confidential Assistant III