



**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD**

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September 26, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

Those in attendance introduced themselves.

Peter Dean led the board members and the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Carlos Hernandez, Kathy Rupe, Virginia Solorzano, Jerrold Rosenthal, Annie Henrich, Peter Dean, Jack Waldorf, Rebecca Clover, Supervisor Terry Withrow, Carmen Maldonado, Charmaine Monte, Jill Neifer

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Gregg Clifton, Thomas Olsen, Mike Shinkel, Frank Ploof

**STAFF PRESENT**

Veronica Ortiz-Valle, Ruben Imperial, Debra Buckles, Cynthia Bocage

**GUESTS PRESENT**

John Black, Margie Johnson, Loretta Carhart, Rachel Cisneros, Sandra Mahan, Leng Power, Linda Mayo, John Aguirre, Jamie Hoover, Lacy Irons, Eddie Elmore, Carolyn Walters, Denise Cannistraci

**PUBLIC COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Linda Mayo expressed her appreciation having Ruben Imperial on board and for his support in the efforts of advocating for the severely mentally ill population.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None reported.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Action: Kathy Rupe made a motion to approve the Behavioral Health Board minutes of August 22, 2019, Charmaine Monte seconded the motion.

**CONSUMER REPORTS/COMMENTS**

A member of the audience expressed the need for additional peer run programs in the community

that will help advance individuals career goals.

### **FAMILY MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS**

No Report.

### **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REPORT**

Supervisor Withrow reported the following:

- Discussion regarding 180-bed homeless facility oversight and funding for Kansas House project is scheduled before the BOS meeting in October.
- Sheriff Dirkse will present before the BOS on Immigration Policy in Stanislaus County in October.
- Approvals for cannabis permits continue to move forward.

### **PRESENTATION – Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Plan Update - Innovation**

Leng Power, former MHSA Planning Manager presented on the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Annual Update – Innovation Projects for FY2019-20. Leng gave a brief background on MHSA, an overview of the five MHSA components: Community Services and Supports (CSS), Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI), Workforce Education and Training (WET), Capital Facilities/Technological Needs (CF/TN), and Innovation (INN). The presentation included the following proposed 5-year Innovation Projects totaling \$38 million; Stanislaus County Office of Education – NAMI on Campus, a proposal to launch a peer led countywide NAMI on Campus High School network to train, equip, and mobilize active student clubs at 15 high schools around mental health awareness. In addition, Romeo Medical Clinic, a Whole Health approach to improve mental health outcomes.

### **PUBLIC HEARING - MHSA Plan Update - Innovation**

Carlos Hernandez called the public hearing to order regarding the Mental Health Services Act Annual Update (MHSA) FY 2019-20. Carlos opened the floor for those present who wished to comment. Taking all comments into consideration, the hearing on the MHSA Annual Update FY 2018-19 closed.

### **PRESENTATION – Slate of Officers Ad Hoc Nomination Committee**

Carlos Hernandez asked for volunteers for the Ad Hoc Nomination Committee. Jack Waldorf, Virginia Solorzano, and Jerry Rosenthal.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Executive Committee**

Veronica Ortiz-Valle reminded members the committee annual reports are due by September 25, 2019.

Administrative, Fiscal Management Committee

No report.

Managed Care Committee

No report.

Prevention and Community Education/Outreach Committee

No report.

Impact - Department Run Services Committee

Virginia Solorzano reported a presentation was given by Debra Buckles for a shared understanding of BHRS services overall.

Impact – Contract Run Services Committee

Rebecca Clover reported Carmen Maldonado has joined the committee. A presentation regarding substance abuse treatment for youth will be presented at the next committee meeting.

**CULTURAL COMPETENCY, EQUITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE (CCESJC)**

No report.

**DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Ruben Imperial reported on the following highlights:

- BHRS Strategic planning process continues to unfold, working to define what is behavioral health treatment for our community. Conversations have begun regarding performance measures in terms of improvement of mental health and accountability around priority populations that include homelessness, severe mentally ill and substance use disorders.
- The No Place Like Home (NPLH) funding will be designated for a percentage of units at the Kansas House for the Severely Mentally Ill (SMI) population. In addition, a proposal is also underway to make sure beds are accessible at the Shelter as well.
- For additional proposals and updates, members were invited to attend the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Stakeholder meeting on Friday, October 18, 2019 from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Sutter Health Education and Conference Center, Modesto.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Annie Henrich announced the International Heritage Festival will be held on October 5<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at Modesto Junior College East campus. John Aguirre also announced the Silver and Gold LGBTQ Support groups held every Monday from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Veteran's Center Hall. Flyers were distributed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m. The next meeting will be on October 24, 2019, 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., in the Redwood Room, 800 Scenic Drive, Modesto.

Respectfully Submitted by Cynthia Bocage, Confidential Assistant IV