



**MENTAL HEALTH BOARD
February 28, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting convened at 5:00 p.m. and was called to order by Vice Chair Chip Langman.

Those in attendance introduced themselves.

Chip Langman led the Board and members of the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Annie Henrich, Kimberly Kennard, Chip Langman, Erin Lesan, Vern Masse, Lynn Padlo, Jerald Rhine, Ritta Sudnikoff, Catherine Szakmary, Karl von Spreckelsen, Terry Withrow

MEMBERS ABSENT,

Chris Cataline, Charles Grom, Jack Waldorf

STAFF PRESENT

Adrian Carroll, Linda Downs, Pete Duenas, Shannyn McDonald, Uday Mukherjee, Jeff Sabeau, Madelyn Schlaepfer, Linda Torres, JoAnne Warner

GUESTS PRESENT

Anita Blueford, Jerry Galeazzi, Sherri Gauger, Cruz Horn, Elizabeth Martinez, Tony Spears, Josh Umsted, Tony Vartan

DOCTORS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER (DBHC) REPORT

Tony Vartan, DBHC Administrator, reported DBHC continues to work collaboratively with BHRS. The new Discharge Team will start March 1, 2013 and will help to bridge the gap for people being discharged. The hope is that the Discharge Team will impact readmits and quicken the turn around time for discharge.

PRESENTATION – MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY COMMISSION

Sherri Gauger, Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC), provided information on several areas. The MHSOAC is a 16-member commission created with the passage of Proposition 63, the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), to provide oversight, accountability and leadership on issues related to mental health in collaboration with clients, family members, unserved and underserved communities, and mental health partners. Commissioners are appointed to a three-year term and receive no compensation with the exception of mileage reimbursement. They represent a wide-range of sectors directly or indirectly involving mental health issues. There are 12 Commissioners appointed by the Mental Health Board

Governor, and is required to seek individuals who have had personal or family experience with mental illness. Biographies on the current 12 Commissioners were distributed. The MHSOAC statutory duties/responsibilities set forth in the MHSA (not including the overarching role of oversight of the public mental health system) was distributed and briefly reviewed. Other topics included changes involving AB 1467 and Proposition 63 (MHSA) and MHSOAC's current and forthcoming evaluation projects. Handouts were provided for both. Ms. Gauger distributed and reviewed the process for anyone interested in being a member on the Commission. The Commission meets every other month. Three times a year the meetings are held in Sacramento and the other three throughout the State.

Ms. Gauger stated that the MHSOAC now has oversight over the California Association of Local Mental Health Boards/Commissions and will be working with them on areas that will assist local Mental Health Boards.

Ms. Gauger reported that MHSOAC is involved in several areas of communication including a radio spot on "Free Your Mind" with a MHS action segment, one minute segments on KVIE television to raise awareness of mental illness, a documentary on Prevention Early Intervention on either CBS or NBC, and in schools. There was an insert in the Sacramento News & Review, "*Mental Illness: It Affects Everyone.*" Copies were available for the Board and audience.

PUBLIC COMMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

CORRESPONDENCE - None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action: Vern Masse made the motion to approve the MHB minutes of January 24, 2013. Annie Henrich seconded the motion and they were approved unanimously.

CONSUMER REPORTS/COMMENTS – None

FAMILY MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS – None

BOARD OF SUPERVISOR REPORT/COMMENTS

Supervisor Terry Withrow reported that he continues to be impressed with the AB 109 collaboration. Funds are going to BHRS to try and help get people out of the criminal justice system. The Day Reporting Center (DRC) is moving from Salida to downtown Modesto the first of April and eventually to the Safety Center. It was reported that BHRS has two staff at DRC focusing on alcohol and other drug issues. There is a fear that realignment dollars may end. Some funding has already been reduced when the formula changed for larger counties. There is work being done to fix this problem.

MENTAL HEALTH BOARD RETREAT

Karl von Spreckelsen reported that the Executive Committee is proposing a retreat for Board members to review the Board's mission, evaluate the Board and set goals and priorities. A one or two day meeting was suggested, perhaps on a weekend, with expenses kept to a minimum. This would be an opportunity to refocus the Board. The retreat would be facilitated, and it was suggested that an individual from CIMH could serve as the facilitator.

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The motion was made by Dr. Kimberly Kennard to form a MHB Retreat Ad Hoc Committee, seconded by Ritta Sudnikoff and passed unanimously. The Chair appointed Karl von Spreckelsen, Dr. Kimberly Kennard, Cathy Szakmary, and Jack Waldorf as committee members.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee

- The Executive Committee set the agenda.
- The Bylaws were scheduled to go to the Board of Supervisors for approval on November 6, 2012 after County Counsel reviewed them. An e-mail was received from County Counsel with some concerns. Copies of the Bylaws were included in the packets showing the recommended changes.

Action Item: Karl von Spreckelsen made the motion to approve the Bylaw changes and to forward them to the Board of Supervisors. Lynn Padlo seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Adult System of Care

The Committee did not meet in February. The next meeting of the MHB Adult System of Care Committee will be held Thursday, March 7, 2013, 3:30 p.m., BHRS New Directions Room, 500 N. 9th Street, Modesto.

Older Adult System of Care

Annie Henrich reported the Committee had a brief meeting and discussed transition issues. The next meeting of the MHB Older Adult System of Care will be held Wednesday, March 13, 2013, 4:30 p.m., High Risk Health & Senior Access, 303 Downey Avenue, Modesto.

Managed Care

Minutes of the February 7, 2013 meeting were included in the packets and briefly reviewed by Karl von Spreckelsen. The meeting was a round table discussion with regard to Older Adult Services and program changes at BHRS. The next MHB Managed Care Committee will be held Thursday, March 7, 2013, 4:00 p.m., Main Conference Room, 800 Scenic Drive, Modesto.

Elizabeth Campos reported there are several changes happening at DBHC, i.e. the County's Discharge Planning Team and DBHC going live with electronic health records on March 4, 2013.

Children's System of Care

Lynn Padlo reported the Committee made a schedule for the year. Ritta Sudnikoff requested to be added to the Children's System of Care Committee. The next meeting of the Children's System of Care will be held Tuesday, March 12, 2013, at Sierra Vista.

Administrative and Fiscal Management

The February 28, 2013 agenda and minutes from the January 24, 2013 meeting were
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included in the packets. Chip Langman reported the main topic of discussion at the February meeting was the budget and the large increase for hospitalizations. The next Administrative and Fiscal Management meeting will be held Thursday, March 28, 2013, 4:00 p.m. in the Main Conference Room, 800 Scenic Drive, Modesto.

Impact Committee

Catherine Szakmary reported that the Committee finished visiting Promotores and now would like to meet with Parents United. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 8, 2013, 2:00 p.m., Main Conference Room, 800 Scenic Drive, Modesto.

Criminal Justice Oversight

Minutes of the January 23, 2013 meeting were included in the packets. The next quarterly meeting will be held Wednesday, April 24, 2013, 4:00 p.m., Adult Probation, 2nd Floor Training Room, 801 11th St., Modesto.

MHB/ABSAP LIAISON

Troy Spears was in attendance as ABSAP's liaison.

MHB did not have representation at the February ABSAP meeting. Linda Torres will contact Dr. Kimberly Kennard to see if she would like to attend ABSAP's March meeting. Karl von Spreckelsen volunteered to attend if Dr. Kennard is not available and Lynn Padlo will be an alternate.

CULTURAL COMPETENCE REPORT

The Agenda from the February 11, 2013 meeting was included in the packets, along with the minutes of January 14, 2013. Linda Torres reported that both MHB and ABSAP are now represented on the Cultural Competence Oversight Committee. CCOC meets the 2nd Monday of the month at 9:00 a.m., in the Redwood Room, 800 Scenic Drive, Modesto.

The February 2013 issue of the Cultural Competency Update was included in the packets.

DEPARTMENT REPORT

- Dr. Madelyn Schlaepfer reported the Discharge Planning Team will connect with County clients to help shorten their time at DBHC, reduce the costs of hospitalizations, impact the number of readmits, get them connected to services, and help them get to their appointments. This is one part of a three-part strategic plan.
- Dr. Schlaepfer reported that selection for the PHF architect will be the following week. Also, an RFP for the operation of the PHF will go out next week. There is a plan for a 23-hour Crisis Stabilization Unit. The opening of the PHF is planned for 2-14-14.
- Dr. Schlaepfer reported the MHSA Annual Update stakeholders meeting will be held in March to provide an update on the continuum of care and to talk about innovation projects.
- The impact of Health Care Reform is unknown. A meeting is planned at the County level. With Health Care Reform, childless adults may now qualify for benefits. The Federal Government will compensate counties at 100% of cost. This is an additional revenue source, but only lasts three years and then goes down to a 10% match. It's unclear what will happen in the future. Other Federal funding is subject to a 12% cut.

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- AB 109 – The County is making plans for Phase 3. Staff are in the process of being hired, but background checks for access to the jail often takes time.
- Realignment is a big issue. The County has more risks.
- The Department has finished the mid-year budget process and is working on the budget for fiscal year 2013-14.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Vern Masse shared that the new VA Clinic in Modesto opened on this date. Mr. Masse reported the VA has now broadened eligibility for Korean veterans. The amended Bylaws include the addition of a Veterans Committee as a standing committee. Mr. Masse volunteered to be on the Committee.
- Lynn Padlo announced April 27, 2013 will be the NAMI Walk. Her Team is Padlo Pacers. If anyone is interested in walking or donating to her Team, they are to contact Ms. Padlo at NAMI. There will be a fundraiser at Deva's on March 17, 2013 with music and fellowship. May 14, 2013 the Cal Mesa Program – Cultural Outreach will be held from 8:00 – 4:00 at the Jana Lynn Plaza. The 5-week NAMI Provider Education Course will begin May 13, 2013. There will be no class on Memorial Day. A flyer was distributed with additional information.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m. The next meeting of the Mental Health Board will be held on Thursday, March 28, 2013, 4:00 p.m., Redwood Room, 800 Scenic Drive, Modesto.

Respectfully Submitted,
JoAnne Warner
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