JOINT MEETING
MENTAL HEALTH BOARD/ADVISORY BOARD ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAMS
April 23, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting convened at 5:00 p.m. and was called to order by Chair, Kimberly Kennard, Ph.D.

Those in attendance introduced themselves.

Dr. Kennard led the Board and members of the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Tony Flores, Charles Grom, Annie Henrich, Sheila Kendall, Kimberly Kennard, Yvette McShan, Frank Ploof, Jerald Rhine, Virginia Solórzano, Ritta Sudnikoff, Jack Waldorf, Terry Withrow, Gregg Clifton, Jeff Gullo, Randy Heldt, Kathy Rupe, Michael Shinkel

MEMBERS ABSENT

Vern Masse, Charmaine Monte, Eric Parsons, John Robin

STAFF PRESENT

Madelyn Schlaepfer, Ph.D., Veronica Ortiz-Valle, Teresa Garibay, Pam Esparza, Scott Lines, Charles Yarnell, Alma Torres, Cameo Culcasi

GUESTS PRESENT

Lee Ann Glatt, Linda Cash, Manuel Jimenez, Mike Greenlee, Jerry Galeazzi, Laurie A. Haller, Reginald Gilbert, Pat Lovett, Joy Tamez

PUBLIC COMMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

CORRESPONDENCE

- Veronica Ortiz-Valle reported that a letter was sent to the Clerk of the Board regarding Chris Cataline’s resignation. Dr. Kimberly Kennard sent a letter on behalf of the Board thanking Chris for his service on the Board.

- A letter was sent to the Clerk of the Board requesting reconsideration for reappointment for those Mental Health Board members that would be expiring in June.

CONSUMER REPORTS/COMMENTS – None

FAMILY MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS – None
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REPORT – None

PRESENTATION – Mental Health Services Act (MHSA)

Dan Rosas gave a presentation about Proposition 63, the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), in Stanislaus County, which included background information of the five components and funding allocations. The presentation also encompassed information about the FY15-16 Annual Update which was posted for public review and comment March 24-April 22, 2015. The document highlights MHSA outcomes and activities from FY13-14. An informational meeting was held on March 25, 2015, and the MHB will hold a Public Hearing to accept the report on April 23, 2015. The Annual Update is scheduled to go to the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors for adoption on June 2, 2015. Dan also shared recent funding proposals approved by MHSA stakeholders and outlined strategies for possible future MHSA growth funding. To learn more about MHSA and the Annual Update, please visit the county website at www.stanislausmhsa.com.

PUBLIC HEARING – Mental Health Services Act Annual Update FY2015-2016

Dr. Kimberly Kennard called the Public Hearing to order regarding the Mental Health Services Act Program & Expenditure Plan Annual Update for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. Dr. Kennard opened the floor for those present who wished to comment. Taking all comments into consideration, the hearing on the Mental Health Services Act Program & Expenditure Plan Annual Update for Fiscal Year 2013/2014 was closed.

PRESENTATION – Housing Continuum

Pam Esparza and Alma Torres gave a presentation regarding Housing and Support Services - BHRS Housing Continuum which included information regarding the three types of housing: Emergency Housing, Transitional Housing, and Permanent Support Housing. They also discussed information regarding the Shelter Plus Care Program (SPC), other permanent supportive housing in partnership and collaboration with other agencies, and funding allocation.

MENTAL HEALTH BOARD (MHB) REPORT

Dr. Kimberly Kennard reported the following:

- Jack Waldorf was appointed as the Mental Health Board Co-Chair, replacing Chris Cataline.

- The California Institute for Behavioral Health Solutions (formerly CIMH) is offering the two-part training: How to be a Great Board and Community Outreach and Advocacy. The training is Saturday, June 6, 10:00am-3:00pm, in Sacramento. Attendance is restricted to only one member of each local Mental Health Boards/Commissions within their region only.

ADVISORY BOARD ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAMS (ABSAP) REPORT

Veronica Ortiz-Valle reported the new ABSAP webpage is developed and now available on the Stanislaus County website. The webpage contains information to help with recruitment such as the mission, roles, priorities, meeting information, and the Interest Survey for anyone who may be interested in serving on the Board.
DEPARTMENT REPORT

Dr. Madelyn Schlaepfer shared the following:

- Introduced the new Assistant Director, Scott Lines. Scott joined BHRS on April 6, 2015.

- CalMHSA is conducting a contest for high school students who make films. Two local high schools are in the final 20 out of 420 submissions to win the awards, Riverbank High School and James Enoch High School. The high schools developed two short videos for the final awards that will be presented on May 19 in Sacramento. Madelyn recommended showing the videos at the Mental Health Board Meeting.

- Would like to start the discussion on integrating the Mental Health Board and the Advisory Board on Substance Abuse Programs. Dr. Schlaepfer asked members for general consensus to start the process. Dr. Schlaepfer would like to form ad hoc committees to start figuring out how it should be structured and to understand all the steps that would need to be taken.

- Provided an update on legislative bills including Senate Bill #SB614: Peer & Family Support Specialist Certification. This bill is moving forward.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Jack Waldorf announced the NAMI Walk will be held on May 2, 9:00 a.m. in Sacramento, William Land Park.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m. The next meeting of the Mental Health Board will be held on Thursday, May 28, 5:00 p.m., Redwood Room, 800 Scenic Drive, Modesto.

Respectfully Submitted,
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