



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

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Director

ADVISORY BOARD ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAMS
MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

Thursday, November 20, 2014

4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

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

MINUTES

ABSAP MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jeff Gullo	Michael Shinkel	Charmaine Monte
John Robin	Kathy Rupe	

ABSAP MEMBERS ABSENT:

Randy Heldt	Eric Parsons
Gregg Clifton	

MHB MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chris Cataline	Ritta Sudnikoff	Jack Waldorf
Kimberly Kennard	Charles Grom	Vern Masse
Sheila Kendall	Linda Miller	Frank Ploof
Virginia Solorzano		

MHB MEMBERS ABSENT:

Terry Withrow	Yvette McShan	Jerald Rhine
Annie Henrich		

BHRS STAFF PRESENT:

Adrian Carroll	Jennifer Marsh	Madelyn Schlaepfer
Veronica Ortiz-Valle	Charles Yarnell	Cameo Culcasi
Cynthia Bocage	Dawn Vercelli	Patricia Pasqualone
Stephanie Correia		

GUESTS PRESENT:

Lisa Sanchez	Derek Desbiens	Heather Garcia	Eddie
Laurie Hallen	Scott Ercy	Jonathan Marshall	David Rojas
April Paul	Dave Surges	Jerry Galeazzi	Gloria Magana
Robert Meyers	Toni Soliz	Parker Cushing	Albert Soliz
Glenn Rusell	Stephanie Garcia	Jennifer Wheeler	Nadine Fuentes
Marlene Lemon	Randi Barrios	Ophelia Lopez-Ramos	Vicki Ryman
Sophia Miranda	Dan Wallen	Dena Pina	Bimlesh Singh
Celia Gonzales	Tim Layham	Catrina Coronado	Gloria Arroyo
Diana DiMenco	Robert Silva	Mario Benavidez	Christina Kenney
Suzanne Wright	Samuel White		

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

The slate of officers was presented: John Robin for Chair and Randy Heldt for Vice Chair. Nominations were asked for from the floor. Hearing none, the motion was made by Michael Shinkle to close the nominations and it was seconded by Kathy Rupe.

A motion to elect John Robin as Chair and Randy Heldt as Vice Chair was made by Michael Shinkel, seconded by Kathy Rupe and carried unanimously.

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

The slate of officers was presented: Kimberly Kennard for Chair and Chris Cataline for Vice-Chair. Nominations were asked for from the floor. Hearing none, the motion was made by Vern Masse to close the nominations and it was seconded by Virginia Solorzano.

A motion to elect Kimberly Kennard as Chair and Chris Cataline as Vice Chair was made by Vern Masse, seconded by Virginia Solorzano and carried unanimously.

V. PRESENTATION: STANISLAUS RECOVERY CENTER CO- OCCURING TREATMENT PROGRAM

Dawn Vercelli presented a PowerPoint presentation on the specialized Co-Occurring Treatment (COT), a program component of the Substance Use Disorder services offered at Stanislaus Recovery Center. A handout of the presentation was also distributed that includes a snapshot of the overall Substance Use Disorder Treatment Programs, Continuum of Care components and outcomes.

The Co-Occurring Treatment (COT) program offers services to those individuals with both primary diagnosis of mental health and substance abuse disorder to effectively treat both primary issues mutually in an integrating way. There are two components of the COT program, Residential and Intensive Outpatient providing a comprehensive treatment approach that comprises of a variety of mental health interventions including individual/group therapy, rehabilitation, case management and drug testing. The COT Residential component is a 30 – 60 day program embracing the treatment approach of the Social Model, that promotes a drug and alcohol free environment where sharing ones' experience, strengths, and hope is highly encouraged. The COT Intensive Outpatient treatment component meets 5 hours per day, 4 days a week.

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SRC works in collaboration with community partners such as Center for Human Services, First Step, Telecare, and others. In addition to collaboration and access involving 20 comprehensive alcohol/substance use disorder assessments a week to individuals admitted in the PHF and/or DBHC in efforts to provide a smooth transition to SRC services if eligible. Services currently co-located with SRC include the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT); Crisis Intervention Program (CIP); Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF); Prevention Services; AA/NA Meetings. A Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) will also be co-located in the near future.

Dawn distributed brochures that highlight the services offered at SRC including flyer announcing SRC hosting an event in an effort to provide a shared understanding of the services offered and admission processes inviting the members and community. Events dates: 11/21/14, 9am – 11 a.m., 12/4/14, 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m., Wednesday, 12/17/14, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

VI. PRESENTATION: RECOVERY POSTER CONTEST

Stanislaus Recovery Center clients participated in a poster contest with the theme “What Recovery Means to Me.” Several participants shared a story of what they were portraying in their poster. ABSAP Board members donated gift cards for the winners. Prize winners were as follows: 1st Place, Poem “Last Night I Had a Dream,” 2nd Place, “Mad Hatter,” 3rd Place, “Through the Stream We Have Unity,” 4th Place, “Batman – Be Your Own Hero.” Chairs John Robin and Jack Waldorf served as the Judges.

VII APPROVAL TO RENAME COMMITTEE: CRIMINAL JUSTICE OVERSIGHT/DRUG COURT AND OFFENDER TREATMENT PROGRAM

Chair John Robin brought forth the motion to approve the renaming of the committee to “Criminal Justice Oversight/ Forensic Committee. This committee is a Joint meeting of the MHB and ABSAP boards.

A motion was made by Ritta Sudnikoff to rename the committee to “Criminal Justice Oversight/ Forensic Committee. Michael Shinkle seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

VIII. MHB ANNUAL REPORT

Chair Jack Waldorf shared that the Mental Health Board Annual Report has been finalized and will be presenting the report before the Board of Supervisors (BOS) on Tuesday, November 23, 2014, 9:00 a.m. in the BOS Chambers. Mr. Waldorf invited the members to attend.

IX. DEPARTMENT REPORT

Madelyn Schlaepfer, Ph.D. reported that the Department continues to work with the State on the Medi-Cal certification for SRC services. Also looking at the possibility of moving into a Managed Care model for substance use treatment services that will help make sure that the levels of treatment adhere in this county. MHSA Plan contract development is in process. Implementation of the Katie A. mandate is underway in collaboration with CSA and other contract agencies. This mandate allows intensive services and reunification for foster kids and their families. Legislature is currently out of session. Jennifer Marsh mentioned that Prevention Services has had an opportunity working with the US Navy Seals in collaboration with the Sheriff’s Department doing speaking engagements promoting education and leadership development at the local colleges and high schools.

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X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Jennifer Marsh shared that the Turlock Police Department will have a prescription disposal program implemented as of December 1. The goal is to have a permanent disposal program at each of the law enforcement agencies across the county.
- Kimberly Kennard announced that the Stanislaus County Foster Care Association in collaboration with Modesto Junior College/Human Resources in hosting a toy drive for foster youth.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

The next ABSAP Board meeting will be held on Thursday, January 15, 2015 at 4:00 p.m., Redwood Room, 800 Scenic Drive, Modesto. The next MHB meeting will be held on Thursday, January 22, 2015, 5:00 p.m., Redwood Room, 800 Scenic Drive, Modesto.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cynthia Bocage
Confidential Assistant III