

County of San Luis Obispo
DRUG AND ALCOHOL ADVISORY BOARD
 February 21, 2008; 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: Ken Conway, Gayne Crossland, John Lovern, Priscilla Mikesell, Dennis Palm, Jason Reed, Harry Sharp, Aurora William, Charlie Archibald, John Gannon

Board Members Excused: Carol Allen, Lanny Erickson, Dannie Rodger-Tope

Board Members Absent: Patrick Germany**

DAS Staff Present: Star Graber, Kerry Bailey, Wayne Hansen, Karen Baylor, Mike Stevens

Guests: Sue Warren

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
Welcome & Introductions	Chairperson Dennis Palm called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. It was noted that two DAAB members had resigned as follows: Susan Opava and Joyce Heddleson.	
Public Comment	Sue Warren of North County Connection indicated that a new for-profit residential treatment center located on West Front Street in Atascadero is in the planning stages. There has been some community resistance to its establishment. A Conditional Use Permit meeting will occur in March 2008 at the Planning Commission meeting.	
Review of Minutes	The January 17, 2008 minutes were approved as written with the following revision, under the “NNA and County Budget Report” section, change “Prop 3%” to “Prop 36.”	1 – Harry Sharp 2 – Jason Reed Unanimous approval
NNA and County Budget Report— Kerry Bailey	<p><u>State Funding:</u> The proposed State funding cuts for 07-08 DAS budget will not occur and DAS will receive a full allocation from the State.</p> <p><u>County Funding:</u> Each County Department has submitted its status quo budget which amounts to \$18 million dollars of increased general fund support. If the budgets were all brought back down to current general fund support, it would save \$12 million, leaving a \$6 million deficit. The Board of Supervisors met yesterday and administrative staff presented four options to deal with the budget deficit as follows: 1) the Board utilize limited reserves over the next 3 years since it is anticipated that the budget problem will last 3 to 5 years; 2) make cuts according to general fund support growth (proportional cuts rather than a straight % cut across each department); 3) the Board of Supervisors initiate mandatory time off discussions with employee associations; and 4) defer general fund capital and automation projects. The Board will start mandatory time off discussions with employee associations (option 3) and agreed that the general fund support cuts should be proportional (option 2). Additionally, it was requested that the Board make a decision regarding the Public Safety budget since the Sheriff, DA and</p>	

	<p>Probation departments had requested status quo budgets to deal with gang problem/issue. The Board did not commit to status quo budgets for these Departments and instead asked for proposed budgets somewhere between general fund support and status quo.</p> <p><u>Health Agency General Fund Support Reduction Rankings:</u> Mike Stevens indicated that the Health Agency has prioritized/ranked General Fund Support reductions (which are confidential since the Board has not yet seen them) to makeup an approximate \$2.5 million General Fund Support shortfall for Health Agency programs. In order to makeup the deficit, the Health Agency would have to cut through Item 31. The first \$1 million in cuts are not as significant as the remaining cuts that would need to be made and #27 should be deleted.</p>	
<p>Administrator's Report</p>	<p><u>Detoxification Services:</u> Star Graber made a presentation on detoxification services at the February 4, 2008 Health Commission meeting. A detoxification paper had been presented at the prior month's meeting outlining what it would take and cost (approximately \$180,000) to provide social model detoxification services with staffing to run a 24/7 facility with 8 beds. DAAB members and a member of the Board of Supervisors were present at the meeting. Star also plans on presenting information regarding detoxification services at the Mental Health Criminal Justice Committee. The Board has a copy of the detoxification paper and to date has not indicated that they are going to pursue providing detoxification services in SLO County. DAS is interested and committed to expanding detoxification services in the County.</p> <p><u>Services in SLO County:</u> Star Graber provided 3 lists of services, by type, available in the County: a youth resource list, a sober living/treatment facility list, and a general counseling list. It is important to note that not all resources provided are drug/alcohol specific and not all are licensed/certified.</p> <p><u>MHSA Prevention & Early Intervention (PEI) Forums:</u> A handout was provided regarding community forums for service providers and community providers to provide input on what programs are working well, which programs need funding/expanded funding, identify service gaps/needs, and learn about State PEI guidelines. Fifty-one percent (51%) of PEI funding must go toward youth services. DAAB members and meeting attendees were encouraged to attend one of the forums and to pass around the flyer to interested parties. A survey will be disseminated via e-mail to provide input as well.</p> <p><u>DAS Grant Update:</u> Star wanted to give kudos to DAS staff who have been proactive in aggressively pursuing additional funding to support programs and services. DAS has been successful in submitting 7 grants already and is in the process of considering 8, 9 and 10. They include some federal grants, a preventive health grant (for approximately \$30,000), and a drug court grant to expand dependency drug court services (for up to \$300,000).</p>	
<p>Action Item: Program Advocate</p>	<p>Star indicated that to date, each of the programmatic briefings has taken place. For those DAAB members who were not able to make the briefing appointment for their assigned program area, extra packets are available and briefings can be rescheduled. Additionally,</p>	<p>Reports provided on Adult Outpatient, Legal/Forensic, and</p>

<p>Reports</p>	<p>dashboards will be put together on a quarterly basis and will include program data such as client satisfaction rates and other information. If new legislation and or funding becomes available that could potentially impact a program, it is hoped that program advocates will be able to discuss their assigned program and make recommendations for improvements or funding priorities in such instances.</p> <p><u>Adult Outpatient:</u> Lanny Erickson, Gayne Crossland, Priscilla Mikesell attended the briefing and reviewed program materials which were impressive and available online from Hazelden. Walk-in clinics are available at all three locations, referrals are made for HIV testing, and clients are asked to sign a treatment agreement in which they commit to total abstinence from drugs and alcohol. Mandatory testing is frequent/weekly. At program completion, a client satisfaction survey is distributed and DAS has a 50% completion rate. Program satisfaction for the most recent quarter was in the high 80% (95% is the target). Star indicated that a new outcome measure for adult treatment asks program participants at the end of treatment if they have been clean and sober from drugs and alcohol with outcomes of over 80% for alcohol and around 69% for drugs. This is for all clients, not just successfully completed clients. Long-term follow-up of clients was noted as a challenge.</p> <p><u>Perinatal Services:</u> Committee members (Carol, Jason, Aurora) unable to attend. Briefing will be rescheduled at a later date.</p> <p><u>Legal/Forensic:</u> Ken and Dannie attended the briefing, received an overview of Prop 36, and went to a group meeting. They plan on going to drug court and the Prop 36 graduation in the future. The committee is interested in reviewing program success rates and recidivism rates. Star indicated that Prop 36 started out with a 31% completion rate and now over 52% completion rate and received additional funding as a result.</p> <p><u>Youth Services:</u> Just started in December 2007 with a 9-month program using the Matrix Program, an Evidence Based Program. There is one therapist in the North County and one in the South County and no waiting list. Discussion was held around the fact that there are not many youth referred to the program, yet there seem to be a lot of youth in need and how to improve collaboration and create linkages with entities/organizations (hospital emergency rooms, schools, etc.) that would be in a position to refer youth to the program. Most referrals are court and probation referrals. There are some school-site counselors but they are not at all schools. Discussion was held on approaching the local newspaper and media regarding youth and drug/alcohol related incidents and approach Dr. Crocker regarding a protocol/process on how to handle underage drinking/drug use incidents.</p> <p>Reports for the remaining program areas (Prevention Services and Budget Committee) will be provided at the next DAAB meeting.</p>	<p>Youth Services. Remaining reports will be provided at subsequent DAAB meetings.</p>
<p><u>Action Items</u></p>	<p>The following action items were tabled for the next DAAB meeting:</p>	<p>Tabled until next meeting.</p>

<u>Tabled for Next DAAB Meeting</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Board of Supervisor's Individual Meetings ➤ Board of Supervisor's Public Comment ➤ Position Statement: Co-occurring Disorders: Jason Reed provided a DRAFT position statement and encouraged feedback to him via email prior to the next DAAB meeting. ➤ Election of Preventive Health Grant Representatives for 2009 ➤ Proposed Responsible Beverage Ordinance 	
Announcements	<p>The following announcements were tabled until the next DAAB meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mental Health Advisory Board Meeting Report ➤ Juvenile Justice Commission ➤ Preventive Health Grant 	Tabled until next meeting.
Future Meeting Agenda Items	Discuss how to handle youth incidents involving drugs and/or alcohol and how to create better linkages, referral systems and processes to address them.	

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m. The next meeting is March 20, 2008, at 12:00 in the Red Room at the Health Campus, 2180 Johnson Avenue, SAN LUIS OBISPO.