

**County of San Luis Obispo
DRUG AND ALCOHOL ADVISORY BOARD
Thursday, September 17, 2009**

Board Members Present: Carol Allen, Charlie Archibald, Ken Conway, Harlan Hobgood, John Lovern, Priscilla Mikesell, Dennis Palm, Jason Reed, Dannie Rodgers-Tope, Harry Sharp, Lee Ann Smith,

Board Members Excused: Lanny Erickson, Harmony Haney

Board Members Absent: Carol Schaffer, Aurora William

Staff Members Present: Star Graber

Guest Present: Susan Warren, Free Draga, Maryanne Zarycka

Agenda	Discussion	Action	Who/When
WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS	Chair Jason Reed called the meeting to order at 12:09 PM. Guests were introduced. Carol Allen was recognized for her many years of service to the Drug and Alcohol Advisory Board.		
REVIEW OF MINUTES	It was requested that absences for Priscilla Mikesell and Harry Sharp be amended to excused absences for the July 16, 2009 meeting. Minutes approved with above change reflected in minutes.	Motion made 2nd	John Lovern Harry Sharp
DAAB MEMBERSHIP/ RECRUITMENT	After excusing guests and prospective board members, the board went into closed session to review the 2 prospective board member applications. The board members present voted to approve both applicants.	Motion made 2nd	Dennis Palm Harlan Hobgood
PUBLIC COMMENT	Sue Warren announced that North County Connection was having an open house to be held on Sunday, September 27, 2009 from Noon to 4PM at 8600 Atascadero Ave, Atascadero. Guest speaker at 2:00PM will be John Lovern, Professor of Allan Hancock Addiction Studies Program, Clinical Therapist and DAAB member.	Handout given	
ACTION ITEM: BYLAWS REVISION PROPOSED	Bylaws to be revised to increase maximum number of board members from 16 to 19. Revision passed unanimously.	Motion made 2nd	John Lovern LeeAnn Smith
DISCUSSION & ACTION: MID STATE FAIR FOLLOW-UP	Dennis Palm discussed the ABC training. All fair vendors attended as required. DAS was represented. A few vendors were selling questionable items. A fair representative had the vendors remove the items. Once the items were pointed out, the fair corrected the situation. Dennis states the fair is supposed to be a non-smoking environment, but was not. The Fair Board will meet next week. Dennis would like to discuss the non-smoking situation and keeping up with vendors on questionable items for sale. Dennis will work on data from this year's fair on alcohol related offenses. Dennis states that 2 or 3 vendors received citations for alcohol sales. Ken Conway to find out arrest statistics for this year's fair. The only complaint from the fair was the number of people intoxicated in concerts, which included alcohol and marijuana. Dennis will follow up on statistics with Kim Mott. Dennis will also follow up with stats from fair and provide to the board at a later date. It was		

	<p>mentioned that Tim McGraw stopped his show due to a domestic violence issue in the front row. Some board members felt that this issue was directly related to the intake of alcohol. The California Highway Patrol is in charge of State property, which includes the fairgrounds. California Highway Patrol may defer enforcement to another agency for next year's fair.</p>		
<p>PRESENTATION: STATE PARKS JUVIE ORTIZ</p>	<p>Juvie is the Coastal section Superintendent for parks which covers Montana de Oro along the coast north up to Limekiln State Park. Juvie states that alcohol has always been an issue in the parks. One of the elements of the department mission is to provide recreation opportunities, part of that sometimes involved alcohol. The park department has State Park Peace officers that are rangers. These rangers have state wide authority in California under the penal code, and also have authority under the public resources code to do primary enforcement of park codes and regulations in State parks. As well as all of the other code sections in California, which include Penal, Business and Professions, Vehicle, and Fish and Game codes. All peace officers are trained just like Deputy Sheriff's at the academy in Monterey. They are exposed to different learning modes including alcohol use and DUI enforcement. Typical problems they find due to alcohol include domestic violence, fights, drownings related to alcohol use, off highway vehicle uses and dune accidents, alcohol poisoning and binge drinking. These are the same typical problems you see in the cities. During Cal Poly's week of welcome, a student at Montana de Oro beach was transported to Sierra Vista Hospital for alcohol poisoning. At the time when Jack O'Connell was a State Senator, the law stated that it was illegal to drink alcohol on the highway. Juvie pointed out to him that this did not cover off highway use. Senator O'Connell re-wrote the language in the law to now state that it is not permissible to operate a vehicle in an off highway vehicle area in the State of California while drinking alcohol. The bill was then passed by Governor Wilson. John asked if the State parks dept has an equivalent of the DUI checkpoints for off road vehicles. The parks department has partnered up with the Grover Beach police dept to run a DUI checkpoint at the Grand Avenue beach offramp. Dennis asked how many DUI's are on the beach on a holiday weekend. Juvie says there are approximately 6-7 DUI arrests over 1 shift. The process for these DUI's is the same as other law enforcement agencies. Carol stated that she would think that the 4th of July would be the worst case scenario on the beach. Juvie responded by saying that the worst holiday is actually Thanksgiving. This is due mainly to the fact that Thanksgiving is always on a Thursday. Many people stay at the beach for 4-5 days during this time. If help is needed on these busy times, the Sheriff's office will step in. The off road vehicle area is from Grand Ave south to Oso Flaco. Guest Free Draga asked Juvie what was being done to promote awareness about drinking and driving for younger demographics? Juvie states that there is not a special emphasis placed on the younger people. The laws are in place for everyone in an off road area. Jason asked if there was a disproportionate amount of youth offenders involved in off road vehicles. Juvie states that the majority of underage drinkers are present during Easter break. The other group of drinkers are the 24-29 year age group. The other group are the "experienced drinkers", the late 30's to mid 50's age</p>		

	<p>group. Fall is when the new batch of students move in. Dannie states the Harvest Festival in Paso is coming up on October 16-18 and would like to know which law enforcement agency will be in charge. Juvie states that if each individual winery is selling at their own location, then no permit is needed. Dennis suggested we approach the Wine Alliance to see what they have to say.</p>		
<p>STATE NET NEGOTIATED AMOUNT (NNA) AND COUNTY BUDGET</p>	<p>Star states that the Proposition 36 funding was eliminated in the State budget, they did leave the Offender Treatment Program money to remain at the current level. However, the State legislature made a decision to look at the federal stimulus dollars coming in under JAG funds. The legislature did designate about ½ of the money that was JAG funding to go towards Proposition 36. For our County, the result was a little less than 50% reduction, or \$200,000 due to some carryover monies. We are able to fund our partners going forward, includes Probation, the court, and treatment. In treatment the provider contract was still not renewed and so the net effect on treatment was a decrease in 1.0 FTE County employee and 1.0 FTE provider employee. The Federal JAG dollars is 1-year money.</p> <p>Cal Works funding for substance abuse has been eliminated. The dollars did come in to the County designated for substance abuse but the allowed that the County could use the Social Services Cal Works dollars any where the County chose to. And because locally our Dept of Social Services was losing money other places, the County swept all of the Drug and Alcohol and all of the Mental Health allocations and kept it in the Dept of Social Services with the exception of the first quarter because this is late news, we will be funded between July and October 1. Our net loss in that program for the rest of the year will be 2.0 FTE County employees, which will impact a caseload of approximately 75 families over the next year. Star is writing our local Dept of Social Services because of the impacts in the way we work together. Star has emailed the Dept of Social Services to inform them that our highest priority is Choices House. Although funding for treatment has been cut, Choices House is still being funded for the whole year.</p> <p>Jason suggested the DAAB write a letter of support to the Board of Supervisors to maintain the specific funding allocation for substance abuse treatment services. The letter of support is to be sent out to DAAB members by Monday afternoon. The letter will be presented by Jason Reed at the next Board of Supervisors meeting. Star states that our waitlist is set priorities by the State. Our waitlist includes IV drug users and pregnant and parenting women at the top. In effect some of those CWS/Cal Works referrals may go to the top of the waitlist. Our 3rd waitlist priority locally will be all parents with children 0-5 years of age.</p> <p>Star states DAS has received 2 of 3 pending grants. First grant received is the DFC Cal Poly grant. This grant is to work with underage drinking at Cal Poly. This grant includes RBS (Responsible Beverage Server) training and a full time staff person. The grant is \$125,000 a year for 5 years. The second grant is a SAMHSA adult treatment grant that is</p>	<p>Letter of Support to be presented to Board of Supervisors</p> <p>Motion made 2nd</p>	<p>John Lovern Priscilla Mikesell</p>

	for \$300,000 per year for 3 years. This will bring another ¾ FTE DAS Specialist and a ½ FTE Worker staff. The majority of this money will be used for transition living facilities as a replacement for Pasos de Vida.		
ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT	Star reports the Proposition 36 graduation will be held on October 6 th at 6PM in San Luis Obispo at the Vet's Hall. On October 20 th is the Adult Felon Drug Court graduation to be held at 6PM also at the Vet's Hall. Our current waitlist as of today is at 38 people. Evenly split between our 3 regions. Star states there has been some reinstatement of Proposition 36 staff. Because of this, she anticipates half of the waitlist should be eliminated within 2 weeks.		
Behavioral Health Dept. Administrator's & Mental Health Advisory Board Report	Dr. Baylor was not present at this meeting. This to remain on agenda as a standing item.		
ANNOUNCEMENT AND REPORT OUTS	<p><u>Juvenile Justice Commission</u>-Dennis states no new news to report.</p> <p><u>Adult Services Policy Council</u>-Jason reports same information as last meeting. July minutes state Jason discussed funding cutbacks and state IOU's for all human services programs. Discussed services being cut and reorganization of some agencies.</p> <p><u>Co-occurring Disorders (COD) Workgroup</u>-Jason to attend meeting directly after DAAB meeting. To discuss implementation of continuing education to staff.</p> <p>Jason announced that the Homeless Services Coordination Council meeting will be held next Wednesday 9/23/09 at the SLO Vet's Hall 10AM-12Noon. John suggested Harlan attend the meeting as well as tour the Good Samaritan Program in Santa Maria because he is expressed an interest in homeless services.</p>		
AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING	Update from Carol and/or Chad on Cal Poly in regards to items in newspaper recently.		

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm. Next meeting to be held October 15, 2009 12-1:30PM