

**County of San Luis Obispo
DRUG AND ALCOHOL ADVISORY BOARD
Thursday, August 19, 2010**

Board Members Present: Charlie Archibald, Ken Conway, Harlan Hobgood, Thomas Keylon, John Lovern, Jason Reed, Harry Sharp, Aurora William, Maryanne Zarycka

Board Members Excused: Priscilla Mikesell, Dennis Palm, Harmony Salgado, Free Draga

Board Members Absent: Carol Allen, Dannie Rodgers-Tope, Carol Schaffer

Staff Members Present: Star Graber, Karen Baylor

Guest Present: Susan Warren

Agenda	Discussion	Action	Who/When
WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS	Chair Jason Reed called the meeting to order at 12:05PM		
PUBLIC COMMENT	<p>Thomas attended the Prevention meeting on August 18 where he spoke on the airline bottle issue. He reminded DAAB members/Star that a letter was to be written addressed to Bruce Gibson in regards to the airline bottle issue. Thomas says the Prevention team now has this issue in their radar. Jason discussed the possibility of a position statement by the DAAB. Star to draft a letter to be sent out to Jason and presented at the next DAAB meeting for approval. Sue Warren reminded members of the monthly Health Commission held the second Monday of each month at 6pm and held in the Board of Supervisors chambers. She invited members to attend the Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Awareness Day on September 9 & 10. A handout was given with free events and workshops available. John asked for the current status of Martha's Place. Martha's Place has been moved from EOC to the County agency under Mental Health. As of July 1st they are still transitioning the staff from private agency staff to County agency staff. Ken Conway informed board that he has moved positions within the Sheriff's Department. If you have questions for the County Coroner, to now direct them to Ron Hastie. Jason announced that Priscilla Mikesell has asked for a leave of absence until December. The leave of absence was approved by the board. A discussion was held in regards to meeting attendance and unexcused absences. It was suggested the board reinforce attendance expectations at the retreat. John suggested notifying applicants on file to see if they are still interested in a position. Star read from the bylaws in regards to absences. The bylaws read, "legally appointed Board members shall be considered in good standing if they have no more than three (3) consecutive absences or four (4) absences throughout any calendar year of their appointment. A member not in good standing may be considered to have vacated his/her position on the Board unless the member appeals to the Board and is reconfirmed." Aurora suggested a note to members be sent as a reminder of their expectations as board members. It was decided that an email would be sent out to those members.</p>	Handout given	
REVIEW OF MINUTES	The July 15, 2010 minutes were approved with amendment noted. Under presentation on sober living environments, the name of the presenter is listed as Bull Chaney. Bull now goes by Frederick Chaney.	Motion made 2nd	Harry Sharp Ken Conway

<p>STATE NET NEGOTIATED AMOUNT (NNA) AND COUNTY BUDGET</p>	<p>The County budget is in place. The dollars that are still at risk are the State Offender Treatment Program. DAS was notified that we did not receive one of the Federal grants on Prevention. We are still waiting on the Federal grant pertaining for treatment of Children of Methamphetamine users.</p> <p>The flyer was given out for the Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Awareness Day to be held September 9 & 10. The workshop held on September 9th at 3:30 will be held at the Health Campus in the red room. Star attended a Board meeting with Project Amend's Board of Directors. She states they are still struggling financially. The County has provided a counselor to help with treatment. A discussion ensued. Sue Warren reminded the board that it is the building that is licensed, therefore not feasible for them to move to a less expensive location. A follow up Board meeting for Project Amend is scheduled for September. Aurora asked about the homeless shelter detox proposed facility will be over behind DSS. They did pass thru the planning commission. On a good note, Star states the recent Drug Court graduation was very successful. There were 14 graduates and approximately 350 people were in attendance and a very inspiring speaker. Harlan proposed that DAAB send an open invitation to Judge Duffy to come to a meeting and discuss with us the issues he has to cope with as a judge in this area.</p>	<p>Handout given</p>	
<p>Action Item: Consideration of Proclamation Opposing Marijuana Legalization</p>	<p>Aurora states that Paso Robles City Council and Fontana City Council just passed a proclamation in favor of opposing the legalization of marijuana. Aurora states that the way the proposed law is written, there is no provision for taxation. Financial burden will be the responsibility of each County. Ken states that marijuana is a big problem in the State. He feels it's ridiculous to talk about legalization marijuana. He feels we are an over-medicated society. Ken states that where marijuana is legal in California, which includes Mendocino County and Humboldt County, the homicide rates are up as well as home invasion rates, and people are moving out of those communities. John states that since he has been on the DAAB, has the DAAB taken a position on something that was before the electorate? This proposed proclamation may not fit the DAAB mission. Jason states that other advisory boards within the State, which are under the same State statutes, have issued letters of support or opposition against legislation. Thomas and Maryanne talked about cost of legalizing. Harlan states that if it were legal, the market incentives for the illegal trade would be significantly reduced. Aurora states that if the law passes that the state is not going to develop a taxation plan. This will be left up to the Counties and Cities.</p> <p>Maryanne states she has issues with the 4-6 statements of the proposed proclamation. She feels the 4th statement is minimizing the seriousness. The 5th statement in regards to safety, she feels the management and law enforcement can potentially be very expensive. And the 6th statement, she feels marijuana will be more readily available to youth. Much discussion ensued. Aurora William made a motion to adopt the Proclamation as written. 2nd by Thomas Keylon. John states he has an issue with the language, or wording of the Proclamation. A vote was taken to approve or oppose Proclamation as presented. Received 3 in favor, 5 against, 1 abstain. Thomas Keylon made a motion that at next month's meeting, there be a vote on the initiative, support or against. 2nd- Maryanne Zarycka. If the DAAB votes in favor of the initiative, a letter will then be sent to the Board of Supervisors. In favor of the motion on the table, in favor 7, 2 opposed. This item will be agendized for next month's meeting for a formal position regarding the initiative. John</p>	<p>Motion made to adopt Proclamation 2nd</p> <p>Motion made- vote on initiative 2nd</p>	<p>Aurora William Thomas Keylon</p> <p>Thomas Keylon Maryanne Zarycka</p>

	asked for the final wording of the initiative to be sent to members before next month's meeting.		
Discussion: September DAAB retreat	Star asked members if they preferred the retreat be held during the day or evening. It was confirmed that the retreat is considered under the Brown Act. Star to email possible meeting dates to members, with members to respond via email. Harlan asked that at the retreat information be given in regard to what the County is up against in the DAS arena.		
ANNOUNCEMENT AND REPORT OUTS	<u>Juvenile Justice Commission</u> : Dennis not present at DAAB meeting <u>Co-occurring Disorders Steering Committee</u> : next meeting to be held in September <u>Adult Services Policy Council</u> : Jason was unable to attend meeting		
AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING	Formal vote regarding proposed initiative on legalizing marijuana		

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm. Next meeting to be held September 16, 2010 12-1:30PM