

**County of San Luis Obispo
DRUG AND ALCOHOL ADVISORY BOARD
Thursday, September 20, 2012**

Board Members Present: James Adams, Linda Connolly, Jason Reed, Clint Weirick, John Lovern, Aurora William, Maryanne Zarycka

Board Members Absent: Charlie Archibald, Melissa Santoro,

Staff Members Present: Frank Warren, Wayne Hansen, Jeff Hamm

Guest Present: Lawrence Box, Karl Hansen

Agenda	Discussion	Action	Who/When
WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS	Chair Clint Weirick called meeting to order at 12:10pm. Roll call was taken to establish that a quorum was present, confirmed.		
REVIEW OF MINUTES	The July 19, 2012 minutes were approved with no corrections made. M: Zarycka S: Adams. Approval unanimous.	Motion made 2nd	Maryann Zaycka James Adams
CHAIR'S REPORT	Clint issued no Chair's Report to allow for time to discuss Behavioral Health Board proposal.		
COUNTY STAFF REGULAR REPORTS	<p><u>Behavioral Health Dept Administrator's Report-</u> Jeff Hamm, Health Agency Director, substituted for Dr. Baylor and provided a brief report on the Health Agency and the timeline for the 2013-2014 budget. He also made himself available for questions regarding Agency topics.</p> <p><u>State NNA and County Budget-</u> No new updates were provided.</p> <p><u>Division Manager Report-</u> Frank reported on expansion of Drug Medi-Cal (DMC) opportunities with community and continuation schools. Aurora asked about differences in DMC and mental health Medi-Cal services, and the eligibility of minors. Minors will need a substance use/abuse diagnosis to access DMC. Linda explained Community Counseling Center contract with Atascadero and Paso Robles schools for their DMC operations.</p> <p>John asked about the co-occurring program at the Department's South Street location. Wayne gave details of forensics programs and grant work being done in partnership with DAS and MH staff at South Street. Aurora suggested looking into Orange County's court collaborative programs as well.</p> <p>Frank concluded with event announcements for Suicide Prevention forums and other prevention programs.</p>		

<p>BOARD BUSINESS</p>	<p><u>San Luis Obispo County Grand Jury Report on Medical Marijuana</u> – Clint led discussion of grand Jury report which included several recommendations for follow-up action. One of the recommendations was to form a “committee” to develop policy on brick and mortar medical marijuana outlets. Jason asked if the DAAB should volunteer a member to serve on the group. No volunteers or motions were made.</p> <p><u>County Behavioral Health Board Process</u> – Frank presented that the two executive committees from the DAAB and the MH Board had been meeting to discuss the potential of a Behavioral Health Board which would, in essence, combine the efforts of the two boards currently. The County is supportive of the two boards becoming one. Upon reviewing statute and Board bylaws, it has been determined that since the Mental Health Board is mandated by the Welfare and Institutions Code, and the DAAB is appointed by the local Board of Supervisors, the MH Board will become the “Behavioral Health Board” assuming new membership and revising its bylaws to reflect both substance use issues as well as mental health issues within its scope. This would also mean the DAAB would cease operation as a stand-alone appointment of the BOS but could function as a subcommittee of the BH Board.</p> <p>Frank reported that the MH Board currently has allowed for 16 members (15 spots are filled), and that the initial recommendation to the MH Board was to increase it to 18 spots. The MH Board the previous day asked for the input of the DAAB regarding membership. Once key concern is the increase in required participation to have quorum; and that the MH Board has additional requirements to maintain 50% consumer/family member membership. The DAAB members felt they could satisfy both requirements.</p> <p>James presented concerns that the voice of alcohol and drug issues would be lost in this process, and made the suggestion the MH Board collapse and become part of the DAAB. It was reiterated that statute would not support that; and that the membership of the MH Board (current) were well-versed and concerned for AOD issues. Frank made the point, and Aurora concurred, that the current makeup of the MH Board also has key stakeholders like the Sheriff’s Dept., BOS, schools, and Probation.</p> <p>Clint asked for a show of hands to see how many of the current DAAB would be willing to apply for the BH Board. 5 of the 7 members present raised their hands. Maryanne asked if the DAAB could recommend the MH Board increase their allotment to 20, thereby making room for all five DAAB members. The Executive Committees would be meeting the following day to discuss.</p> <p>Frank recommended that since the timeline was moving forward and the BH Board could be operational as soon as January, that the DAAB should discuss whether and how it would function as a committee of the BH Board. E.g. Would it continue to meet on the same day and time for community input and deliberation of AOD issues?</p>	<p>Show of hands</p>	
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COMMITTEE REPORTS	All committee reports deferred until next meeting		
LIAISON REPORTS	All liaison reports deferred until next meeting.		
LOOKING AHEAD	Discussion: Integration of County Mental Health Advisory Board with Drug and Alcohol Advisory Board.		

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm. Next meeting to be held October 18, 2012 12-1:30PM

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