

**County of San Luis Obispo
DRUG AND ALCOHOL ADVISORY BOARD
May 17, 2007, 12:00-1:30 p.m.**

Board Members Present: Carol Allen, Gayne Crossland, Lanny Erickson, John Gannon, David Giggy, Joyce Heddleson, John Lovern, Priscilla Mikesell, Jason Reed, Harry Sharp

Board Members Absent: Patrick Germany*, Linda Hogoboom**, Susan Opava*, Dennis Palm*, Dannie Rodger-Tope*, Scott Thompson*

Staff Present: Star Graber, Kerry Bailey, Wayne Hansen, Spencer Hatfield, Mike Stevens, Frank Warren, Molly Webb

Guests: Karen Baylor, Jeff Hamm, Norma Hoffman, Sue Warren

(* = number of absences in a row)

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
Welcome & Introductions	Chairperson Carol Allen called the meeting to order at 12:12 and welcomed guests Sue Warren and Norma Hoffman.	
Public Comment	Chair Allen stated that it is time to nominate next year's officers. After discussion it was determined that Harry Sharp would chair the Nomination Committee, assisted by Jason Reed, John Lovern and Joyce Heddleson. Sue Warren, Health Commission, commented on the California Budget Project Policy Points. She distributed an information sheet showing how State alcohol beverage tax compares to other tax rates. It is considered a moderate tax state.	Nominations will be announced by email to members in May. Elections will take place in June.
Review of Minutes	Minutes for April 19, 2007 were reviewed.	1 st L. Erickson 2 nd J. Lovern Approved unanimously
Administrator's Report	<p><u>Prop 36 Budget:</u> Star Graber reported on the Prop 36 Budget May revisions. She stated that last year's increase is now gone. At this time the Budget has flatlined at \$120 million. It has been split between two separate programs, Prop 36 and OTP, with a 10% County match required in the OTP funding. The additional estimated match for Drug & Alcohol Services is \$35,000 and Probation is \$20,000. Other counties are struggling because of the match and may opt out of OTP. Different formulas are being considered. More will be known in a couple of weeks.</p> <p><u>Health Campus Move:</u> Star reported that Drug & Alcohol Services' move to the Health Campus (old General Hospital) will probably take place in September. Several departments will be relocated in the next few months, including Behavioral Health, Health Agency administration, Human Resources, Finance, SART, and WIC.</p>	

<p>Administrator's Report (Cont.)</p>	<p><u>Detoxification Report Status:</u> Star reported that the Board of Supervisors has placed detox (residential) high on its priority list. The draft report includes research on costs, cost-avoidance, comparison to 7 median counties, and how other counties fund detox. There will be an editorial piece in the Telegram-Tribune on Sunday. The report is in the hands of Karen Baylor and Jeff Hamm, and after amendments are made, it will go to the BOS.</p> <p>Priscilla Mikesell stated that Project Amend, a private entity, serves men, with 2-4 beds for residential detox. They received a community development block grant for \$20,000 for that purpose.</p> <p>Star explained how the three types of detox would work: outpatient, residential and medical. In all cases medical clearance would come first. It may be provided by CHC and could be done in a few hours if needed.</p>	<p>Continue to June Agenda</p>
<p>State Net Negotiated Amount Contract and County Budget</p>	<p>Kerry Bailey stated that the County Budget Hearings would take place around June 18-20. Carol asked if the Detox Report would be heard at the Hearings. Jeff stated it would not be considered at the Budget Hearings since the departments already have their budgets done, but the BOS may accelerate the process. Carol said the budgeting should be held until a decision regarding the type of detox was made. Jeff stated that the Health Agency is receiving a one-time additional \$5 million, up from \$8 million, for a total of \$13 million for 07/08. Carol stated that the prior detox program didn't last long enough to use up the grant money allocated. There is a need to focus on what type of social residential detox program would work.</p>	<p>Continue to June Agenda</p>
<p>Drug & Alcohol and Mental Health Boards Merger</p>	<p>Members discussed the concept of merging the Drug & Alcohol and Mental Health Boards, including the beneficial and detrimental effects. Joyce recommended an additional board devoted to Dual Diagnosis since both Drug & Alcohol and Mental Health had to deal with it. In general, it was felt that a merger should be something that was allowed to evolve. Members then agreed that one additional meeting per year with both boards would be adequate at this time. The joint meeting would have representatives report on joint topics - MH to bring up topics related to DAS and vice versa.</p>	<p>Put DAAB & MHAB joint meeting on July Agenda to decide date and time.</p> <p>Add MHAB report by Joyce Heddleson to the DAAB agenda on a monthly basis</p>
<p>Social Host Ordinance</p>	<p>Frank Warren, DAS, reported in Dannie Rodger-Tope's absence. Frank stated that ABC has quarterly training available for both bartenders and bar owners. However, there is no legal requirement for education, and special events are not covered. He explained the difference between Social Host Ordinances and Responsible Beverage Server Training. Frank said that DAS is pushing for a certification program which will take place on an annual basis, but SLO City Council will have to approve an ordinance first which will take</p>	<p>Add to Upcoming Issues or Position Statements</p>

	time. Frank will give periodic updates on any progress and invite law enforcement to attend a future meeting.	
Position Statement: University Recovery Dorms	<p>John Gannon stated that more information was needed before a position statement could be drafted. John Lovern noted that if a recommendation was made, that the DAAB did not have the power to get anything done.</p> <p>After further discussion it was decided that limiting the scope to a recovery dorm may be too narrow and the scope may have to be broadened. The discussion was to broaden the Position Statement to ‘relationship with college campuses.’ Frank noted that the Office of Education is opening a sober school for teens in Morro Bay. Harry expressed a desire to continue to try to influence Cal Poly although progress has been slow.</p>	Continue to June Agenda
SUAC Meeting Report	<p><u>Substance Use & Abuse Committee</u>: John Gannon stated that 10 items were under discussion with Cal Poly and that he was willing to meet with them more frequently. He learned that alcohol use was down and marijuana use was up.</p> <p>Frank stated that a discussion regarding medical marijuana was a breakthrough for Cal Poly. The medical marijuana cards continue to be issue since the friends of the card’s owner could end up using the owner’s marijuana. He also commented on the “Under Four” campaign launched by the Coors brewing company which is supposed to get students to agree to fewer than four drinks at any event. Unfortunately the students could go to several events in one evening and have four drinks at each event, nullifying the intent of the campaign.</p>	Fair Board Meeting report deferred to June agenda in Dennis Palm’s absence

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m. The next meeting was set for June 21, 2007.