

Mental Health Board Minutes
San Luis Obispo County
February 20, 2013
3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Annex/Red Room/Health Campus
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Linda Connolly
Pam Crabaugh
Karl Hansen
Kelly Kenitz
Frank Mecham
Theresa Merkle
Stephan Ponce
Jason Reed
David Riester
Jim Salio
Clint Weirick

MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES ABSENT:

Tyler Brown
Joyce Heddleson
Jill Heuer
Lorna Hewitt
Lisa Kelley
David Odell
Charmaine Quinlan
Jason Reed
Vicki Shelby (Alternate for Frank Mecham)
Aurora William

GUESTS:

John Byers (TMHA/PAAT)
Denise Rea (TMHA)
Martin Meltz (Community Volunteer)
Patti Tackett, MHSA, Veterans Outreach

M.H. & D/AS STAFF PRESENT:

Karen Baylor
Jane Ahlquist
Wayne Hansen
Judy Vick

1. **Meeting was called to order @ 3:00 pm by David Riester.**
2. **Introductions and Announcements:**
 - **Martin Meltz announced a Community Service meeting to be held at the Lucia Mar School district on February 23.**
 - **Laura Wier from Homeless Services is holding a retreat, March 20th from Noon to 4:00 on the homeless in San Luis Obispo County. For more information, contact Laura Wier at 781-1833.**
 - **Karen announced and congratulated Judy Vick on her promotion as the new Division Manager for Adult Services. Congratulations Judy.**
 - **Denise Rea reminded us that TMHA's annual Bowl-A-Thon is coming up in March. For more information please contact Lesta Travis, 805-540-6527 or events@t-mha.org.**
 - **"The Journey of Hope, 2013 Forum," was excellent, a big turn out.**
3. **Citizen Comments: Citizens are invited to make comments relevant to Mental Health issues at this time. None at this time.**

4. **Action Item:** January 16, 2012, meeting minutes were reviewed and followed by motion of approval by Jim Salio and seconded by Pam Crabaugh and unanimously approved by the Board. (MSC: Salio/Crabaugh)

5. **Budget Report – Karen Baylor**
 - The 2013/2014 budget and service reduction list was send to the CAO’s office for review. The Sheriff’s office informed the Department that their funding was cut which results in one Mental Health Therapist at the jail being placed on the service level reduction list.

6. **Presentation: Veterans Services – Patti Tackett, Psy.D. - MHSA**

Ms. Patti Tackett, a retired Army Colonel, with a Psy.D. degree, is our go to person for Veteran Outreach. She reported on the need for:

 - Increase awareness of and access for local resources, services and rehabilitative programs for Veteran and their families.
 - Mental health support services for Veterans and their families participating in physical rehabilitative programs and activities.
 - Community involvement and education regarding Veterans in San Luis Obispo County.
 - A treatment court for Veterans has been discussed and working with Vets Administration on this proposal.

7. **Director’s Report – Karen Baylor**
 - A site has been secured for a Paso Robles Drug & Alcohol Services site, with Mental Health Services to be offered. The computers and phones have to be installed and the move in date is to be determined.
 - Katie A Settlement – Department of Social Security and Behavioral Health have been meeting in how to implement our plan.
 - Healthy Families – This transition occurs March 1st. We have had several conference calls to determine the number transferring to us.

8. **Committee Reports:**
 - **Membership Committee:** A staff report has been prepared for the BOS for the 5 new members to the Behavioral Health Board: Jason Reed, Clint Weirick, Linda Connolly, Cindy Marie Absey and Aurora William. The report will be presented to the BOS on Tuesday, February 26 for approval.
 - Forensic Services, no report.
 - Adult Services, no report.
 - Adult Services, no report.
 - Children’s Services, no report.
 - Adult Services Policy Council, no report.
 - Executive Committee -

9. Theresa Merkle brought up an issue regarding the lack of certain recources in our County. Theresa will follow-up with Kelly Kenitz.

The next Behavioral Health Board meeting will be Wednesday, March 20, 2013, 3:00pm – 5:00pm in the Ag. Building Conference Room at 2156 Sierra Way.

The April 17th meeting will be held in the Annex (The Red Room) behind the Health Campus.

The May 15th meeting will be held in the Ag. Building Conference Room at 2156 Sierra Way.

Jane Ahlquist