## Solano County Mental Health Advisory Board/Alcohol & Drug Advisory Board Joint Meeting Minutes Tuesday, February 20, 2018 \* 4:30pm-6:00pm 2101 Courage Drive \* Multi-Purpose Room \* Fairfield, CA 94533

## Meeting called to order @ 4:35pm by Chair Heather Theaux Venezio Roll Call

## Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board (ADAB):

Present: Vice-Chair Andy Miner; Lis delaTorre

## Mental Health Advisory Board Members (MHAB):

Present:Chair Heather Theaux Venezio; Board of Supervisor Monica Brown; Denice Coleman; Lis delaTorre; J.D. Hatchett; Melanie Norris;Absent:Esmeralda Liberato; Mike Wright

**SCBH Staff:** Deputy Director, Sandra Sinz; Mental Health Services Manager for Substance Abuse, Andrew Williamson; Mental Health Services Manager for MHSA, Tracy Lacey; Recording Secretary, Cindy Limerick

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Call to Order/Roll Call	Chair Heather Theaux Venezio called the joint meeting of the Solano	Roll call established a quorum.
	County Mental Health Advisory Board/Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board to	
	order at 4:35pm. A special welcome was given to Andy Miner, Vice-Chair	
	representing the Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board (ADAB).	
Public Comments	No Public Comments submitted	
Approval of Meeting	1. Monica Brown motioned to approve the MHAB meeting minutes of	1. Motion carries by unanimous vote.
Minutes	October 17, 2017; Denise Coleman seconded – Ayes (6)	2. Motion carries by unanimous vote.
	2. Monica Brown motioned to approve the MHAB meeting minutes of	3. Motion carries by unanimous vote.
	November 14, 2017; Denise Coleman seconded – Ayes (6)	4. Motion carries by unanimous vote.
	3. Monica Brown motioned to approve the MHAB meeting minutes of	Minutes Approved
	December 14, 2017; Denise Coleman seconded – Ayes (6)	
	4. Melanie Norris motioned to approve the MHAB meeting minutes of	
	January 16, 2018; Monica Brown seconded – Ayes (6)	
ADAB Committee	1. ADAB Vice-Chair, Andy Miner, announced that the ADAB meets to be	
Reports	made aware of available resources in the County. The board is	
	currently trying to build up their special advisory board that reports to	
	the Board of Supervisors and is looking for new members.	

2. The Substance Abuse Administrator (and Mental Health Services
Manager) in Solano County reported out on the following:
a. Community Corrections Partnership
b. Mr. Williamson's Substance Abuse Administrator's report
included discussion regarding upcoming changes in the way
substance abuse services are delivered in Solano County to an
Organized Delivery System (ODS):
i. More services paid, most of which are not paid for
now by Drug Medi-Cal.
ii. Targeted start, summer of 2018.
c. The Board asked for a follow-up report of measurable
objectives and data studied once the new program goes live.
d. The County applied for and was recently awarded 6 million
dollars of Proposition 47 grant funds spread out over three
years. Proposition 47 funding has a housing component for
people in treatment connected with substance abuse and
mental health services.
i. What kind of referral is needed to qualify for the
Proposition 47 housing program?
a. Answer: Call the Substance Abuse Access Line
at 707-784-2220 for a phone screen and
assessment to determine if individual qualifies
to be connected to the proposition 47
program.
ii. Are there going to be peers working there?
a. There will be peer support connected to the
program.
iii. What happens at the end of three years when the
funding is over?
a. The Proposition 47 money will be over, but the
ODS will be able to pay for Drug Medi-Cal
recipients.
iv. Can AB109 funding be used for a housing component?
a. Each County can decide how to use their
AB109 funds. The vast majority goes to

	probation and law enforcement and a smaller
	portion comes to mental health. Supervisor
	Brown stated that she will discuss AB109
	funding usage further with Probation and the
	Sheriff's Departments.
	v. Is there a jobs program?
	a. This is not in the Proposition 47 program, but
	if we have extra money, Substance Abuse is
	looking into a jobs program.
	i. The Board would like Solano County to
	consider a cultural shift regarding legal
	background checks biases around
	felonies with regard to jobs.
MHAB Committee	1. Executive Committee Report- Heather Theaux Venezio:
Reports	a. The board previously talked about attendance and cleaning up
	the roster to make sure there are enough people to conduct
	business.
	b. One of the new items will be Meeting Calendar dates and
	rolling the meetings to different municipalities to meet the
	needs of the community.
	2. Outreach Committee – Currently Vacant
	a. Lis delaTorre volunteered to be on the Outreach Committee
	3. Membership Committee – Currently Vacant
	a. Members were asked to consider volunteering; please inform
	Chair Theaux Venezio if interested.
	4. May is Mental Health Month
	a. Consider volunteering for planning committee or participating
	in events.

Director's Report	Sandra Sinz, Behavioral Health Director reported out on the following:
	A. Sandra asked the Board to consider whether we think that doing a joint board or combining our boards into a single behavioral health board might be a useful way to go. We would combine them and call it the Behavioral Health Board that will then meet the obligation of the Mental Health Board.
	<ul> <li>The potential advantages:</li> <li>1) We would have more members able to participate with different interests they would bring to the table;</li> <li>2) Notion of trying to approach systemically what we are trying to do clinically which is trying to look at both issues simultaneously</li> <li>The potential disadvantage:</li> </ul>
	1) Loss of specialization of interest.
	Board of Supervisor Brown stated that there will be a need to blend the bylaws and each group should have two people for a total of 4-5 and think of how we are going to blend the two bylaws. Maybe we don't blend right away and continue with existing schedules for now.
	B. Budget for next year will include the request for three peer counselor
	<ul> <li>positions.</li> <li>C. Due to savings in residential treatment for kids; we will shift those dollars to programs that do wraparound services for kids in homes.</li> </ul>
	D. Possibility of Solano County participating in a Joint Powers Authority for Foster Kids.
	<ul> <li>E. Ms. Sinz provided an update on the success of the Mental Health Peer</li> <li>Forum and progress moving forward in order to help build up our own</li> <li>peer workforce.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>F. Behavioral Health is looking at applying for SB82 Steinberg triage grant with a local vendor to establish a Child specific crisis unit.</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>G. We are taking all of the feedback of the current crisis unit seriously and we are looking into it. The Board asked for an update around Exodus at the March meeting of the MHAB.</li> <li>Tracy Lacey, Mental Health Services Manager, Sr. provided an update on Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) services:</li> <li>A. Homeless Outreach: Staff will be going out weekly with Benicia Police Department to engage with homeless population. <ol> <li>Supervisor Brown would like a follow up progress report at upcoming meetings.</li> </ol> </li> <li>B. UC Davis Clas Cohort</li> <li>MHSA and Solano School of Education are partnering to send informational notices out to schools and parents around suicide prevention and school shootings. <ol> <li>Supervisor Brown requests a copy of the informational notice.</li> </ol> </li> <li>D. Participant video due date is March 1, 2018 for the "Directing the Change" suicide prevention video contest.</li> <li>E. Behavioral Health is starting a planning committee for May is Mental Health month and is asking for MHAB representation. Tracy will send out an invite. Lis delaTorre stated that she would like to participate.</li> <li>F. Lis delaTorre asked to be invited to attend future Cultural Competency meetings.</li> <li>Tracy will ask staff to send an invite to Lis.</li> </ul>	
Scheduled Calendar	<ol> <li>New Business:         <ul> <li>A. Meeting Calendar:                 <ul> <li>i. Heather Venezio Theaux made a motion to explore different venue options in Vallejo, Vacaville and Fairfield a)Discussion: due to the community involvement at the Vallejo venue, consider rolling the meetings to different municipalities to meet the needs of the</li></ul></li></ul></li></ol>	Vote Results: Supervisor Brown – Yes Heather Theaux Venezio – Yes Denise Coleman – Yes J.D. Hatchett – Yes Melanie Norris – Yes Lis delaTorre - No

	community. Tracy Lacey will reach out to Area Agency on Aging to present in Vacaville.
Items from the Public	None
Board Comments	<ol> <li>Denise mentioned an issue regarding Area Agency on Aging referral process. Tracy Lacey will reach out to the program director regarding deliverables and report back to the board.</li> <li>Monica Brown suggested inviting Delores Roach with Senior Coalition when the MHAB meets in Vacaville.</li> </ol>
Adjourned at 6:07pm	