## SOLANO COUNTY MATERNAL, CHILD AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD MEETING Minutes

## **June 9, 2009** 275 Beck Avenue, Conference Room One 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Present:	<b>Members:</b> , Phyllis Pratt, Laurie Andres, Victoria DeLaFuente, Steve Padilla, Laurie Andres	<b>Guests:</b> Dina Dues, Emma Davis
	Staff: Jeanette Panchula, Nancy Calvo, Paula Gee, Susan Whalen	
Absent:	Tam Stevenson, Jewel Fink	
Excused:	None	
1. Meeting Called To Order and	The Vice Chair called the meeting to order and asked everyone to introduce	Starting Time: 4:07 p.m.
Introductions	themselves.	
2. Public Comments	None	Action Steps:
3. Announcements	Steve Padilla announced that he thought the MCAH Community Needs Assessment meeting on June 8 was great – he said that the information presented there could overlap with what this board is doing and also with the Reducing Rates Coalition. Nancy asked him if Curtis Hunt would be willing to come present at a future meeting of this board.	Steve will check the calendar and report back if it is possible to have the next meeting at Gomer School.
	Steve offered to have this board hold a meeting at the historical Gomer School site on Abernathy Road, the group agreed.	
	Victoria offered congratulations to Jeanette on her work in making the healthier changes in WIC packages – they are not supplementing formula to breastfeeding women.	
	Phyllis announced that Partnership HealthPlan has a breast pump loan program for mothers returning to work or school. There will be training for providers of the pumps on August 21, at noon at 360 Campus Lane, Fairfield. Phyllis added that the Partnership is expanding to Sonoma County November 1 <sup>st</sup> .	
4. Review, Amend, and/or Adopt the Agenda	Agenda was approved with an addition of a Team Building Activity after approval of May's minutes	

5.	Review, Amend, and Approve the Meeting Minutes from May 12, 2009 MCAH Advisory Board Meeting	Minutes were approved with no changes	
6.	Team Building Activity	Susan Whalen asked everyone to complete a poem by filling in the blanks where indicated. Everyone did so and read them aloud.	
7.	Old Business	<ul> <li><u>Breastfeeding Update</u> – Jeanette reported that she sent an eight-page survey to area hospitals and has received responses from all but one. The Labor and Delivery Managers were asked to rate their policies on breastfeeding, and the results were better than expected. Jeanette added that the hospitals seem open to education and assistance with their policies.</li> <li><u>Recruitment Challenge – Recruitment Plans from each member</u> – Phyllis reminded the group of their homework assignment from last month - Everyone gave ideas on how we could recruit for new members, including: listing an ad on Craigslist, sending an invitation letter to local agencies such as hospitals, colleges, etc., placing a Public Service Announcement on cable TV, in the newspaper, or on the radio, letters to the editors, emailing everyone in your address book and inquiring where their experience/passions are, pink slip parties, job fairs, church youth counselors, colleges, and making a Facebook page.</li> <li><u>MCAH Community Needs Assessment Update</u> – Susan updated the group on the June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting, which went well and was attended by about sixty people from various agencies. She said there were seven priorities identified for the next five years, including: Chlamydia, Childhood obesity, Childhood asthma, Prenatal care, Breastfeeding, Substance use during pregnancy, and Teen ATOD use. She showed the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats identified in the assessment also.</li> </ul>	The Executive Committee will review these ideas at their next meeting on Friday.
8.	New Business	<u>Approve Membership Application for Dina Dues</u> – Phyllis introduced Dina and read her application information for the group. Dina was nominated and the board voted to approve her nomination.	Paula will contact the BOS for Dina's appointment to the MCAH Advisory Board.
9.	Committee Reports	<ul> <li>Legislative Update – Nancy gave Phyllis letters addressed to the county's elected officials for signature, the board voted and approved sending the letters opposing budget cuts to MCAH programs.</li> <li>Executive Committee Update – Susan reported that the Executive Committee has suggested holding an orientation for new members in August in lieu of the regular meeting. There was also a suggestion of holding the orientation twice a year or waiting until we have more new members so it would be cost effective. Susan also reported that it may be time to review</li> </ul>	Paula will mail the letters to the elected officials.

10. Health Officer/Deputy Director Report	<ul> <li>the Policies and Procedures of this board and will be available at the next meeting.</li> <li>Membership Committee Update – Phyllis said she may include this board in their pamphlet that they share at the BabyFirst Outreach</li> <li>HSS Subcommittee Meeting Signup– June 17<sup>th</sup> meeting has been cancelled, Phyllis and (tentatively) Victoria will attend July 15<sup>th</sup>'s meeting, Laurie will attend August 19 and Steve will go September 16.</li> <li>Children's Alliance Meeting Report – no report</li> <li>Committee Reports - <ul> <li>Adolescent Resource Network – no report</li> <li>Black Infant Health Coalition – Emma Davis reported that the BIH Coalition has changed its meeting time to Thursday, June 18, from 10:00 – 2:00 at the Melvin Thompson Center.</li> <li>BabyFirst Solano Collaborative – Shelli Cannon Dekreek updated the board with what BabyFirst Solano is busy with, including the Chasnoff meeting, budget modifications, planning a retreat in August, and working on getting the 4 Ps Plus in Dixon. Their goal is to have all pregnant women screened in Solano County.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
11. MCAH Administrator's Report	Nancy handed out copies of a CHEAC memorandum with updates regarding the State Budget, outlining the proposed cuts. Nancy reported that she had attended a Senate hearing in Sacramento with Dr. Chasnoff to speak in support of AB217. Nancy said Senator Beall encouraged her to call Senators and let them know how people feel about the proposed budget cuts. Nancy also handed out copies of the MCAH Action letter template for writing elected officials and encouraged the group to do so. The board members voted and approved sending letters to the elected officials defending MCAH programs. They also approved sending a letter to the BOS supporting AB217.	Nancy will compile a list of the Bills MCAH Action is endorsing and forward to Executive Committee.
12. Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 5:59 p.m.	
Next Meeting Date	July 14, 2009, 4:00 p.m., Location tba	