

Solano County Mental Health Advisory Board
General Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 17, 2019 ❖ 4:30pm-6:00pm
2101 Courage Drive ❖ Multi-Purpose Room ❖ Fairfield, CA 94533

Mental Health Board Members:

Present: Heather Theaux Venezio ,Rachelle Jackson, Denise Coleman, Michael Wright. J.D. Hatchett

Absent: Monica Brown,, Alexandra Winston

SCBH Staff: Sandra Sinz, Tracy Lacey, Marisol Lopez

ITEM	GENERAL MEETING AGENDA	ACTION
CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL	The meeting was called to order at 4:36 pm.	
ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lisa U'Ren of NAMI Solano informed us of two new bills related to related to use of force and training for law enforcement. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michael Wright MHAB Member asked if innovation funds could fund ankle bracelet program for persons under Laura’s Law or Drug Court to utilize ankle monitor. He also wishes to be able to use funds for other compassionate services, like allowing clients to smoke cigarettes, have pets to help clients stay on track with their medications and care. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brandi Hulsey shared her story. She would like for school district to integrate mental health curriculum in high schools. She also expressed her interest in getting involved and writing a bill to make it a high school requirement. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NAMI mentioned the Ending Silence Program. • Tracy told her about trainings: Do Safe Talk 3-hr. Assist 16-hr., Mental Health First Aide (Adult & Youth). • Tracy invited Brandi to join Suicide Prevention Committee.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES August 20, 2019	Michael motioned to approve the August 20, 2019 meeting Minutes; the motion was properly moved and seconded.	Ordered by vote 5-0.
APPROVAL OF AGENDA September 17, 2019	Heather motioned to approve the September 17, 2019 meeting Agenda; the motion was properly moved and seconded.	Ordered by vote 5-0.
PRESENTATION Mental Health Friendly Communities (African American Faith Based Initiative)	Gigi Crowder of Mental Health Friendly Communities spoke about their services. Their purpose is to reduce mental health stigma and disparities within the African American community. They promote mental wellness using their faith based culturally responsive approach. They identify issues around mental health and substance abuse, provide recommendations, as well as offer social and spiritual inclusion and training.	California Mental Health & Spirituality Initiative is taking place on October 10 & October 11 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm in Concord. Registration information on flyer.
SCHEDULED CALENDAR 1) Routine Business a. Laura’s Law (AOT) Referrals	Have have had several referrals to date and are working with County Council to run first petition through the court to create a standardized process.	

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b. MH Related Legislation	Crisis Stabilization units may only keep people longer than 23 hours. New bill would allow for up to 48 hours. SB10 has passed appropriations. This bill would recognize peer support as a mental health service.	
c. LPS/PES Meeting Discussion	No updates; the meeting is scheduled for tomorrow, September 18, 2019.	Meeting is held every other month. Collaboration between mental health, hospitals, and law enforcement.
2) New Business	No updates.	
Public Comments	Ramon Castell blanch of SF State University invitation to attend Touro Sponsored Drug Safe Solano with featured speaker: Congressman Mike Thompson, October 7, 2019, 6:00 – 8:00 pm, 1310 Club Drive, Vallejo.	Registration information on flyer was emailed on September 18, 2019.
Staff Reports 1) Directors Report – Sandra Sinz	Sandra provided Director’s Report handout and went over highlights from her Director’s report. We were awarded the JAG Grant. Mobile Crisis RFP is pending reposting. The Crisis Aftercare RFP has posted.	Refer to the handout for more information. Will keep Board apprised of any updates.
2) MHSA Report – Tracy Lacey	Tracy reviewed the themes brought forth by the recent series of stakeholder meetings.	Priorities as identified by stakeholders will inform the new MHSA Annual Plan, to be posted online by October 13, 2019. Annual Public Hearing: November 19, 2019, 4:00 – 5:00 pm.
Committee Reports 1) Executive Board	No updates.	
2) Membership	The Board currently has seven members but would like to be at eleven. Menlo Avestro’s membership is pending approval of the Board of Supervisors.	
3) Outreach & Education	Monica will be reaching out to a contact she has at Kaiser’s Mental Health Facility and request he attend a meeting in October.	
4) Ad hoc Committee	No updates	
Board Discussion or Action	Heather proposed that each member think about their 2020 goals and discuss at the October 15, 2019 meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Danny Cotton, Michael’s guest interested in starting sober living home or room and board. • Michael provided an updated on his son. • Denise says that clients in some sober homes are not being adequately supported. 	Will review goals during the next meeting. Rachelle Jackson will not attend the October meeting.
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 5:59 pm by Heather.	