

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL
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MINUTES: Mental Health Advisory Board Meeting

June 16, 2020, 4:30 – 6:00 pm

Virtual Meeting: [Join Microsoft Teams Meeting](#)

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Conference ID: 214 296 9

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

- The meeting was called to order at 4:35 PM by Supervisor Monica Brown. A quorum was attained.

MHAB Members Present

1. Monica Brown, Supervisor
2. Denise Coleman
3. Daniel Cotton
4. Rachelle Jackson
5. Roxanne M. Rodezno-Medearis
6. Heather Theaux-Venezio, Chair
7. Michael Wright (late)

Behavioral Health Staff Present:

1. Tracy Lacey, Sr. MH Manager
2. Sandra Sinz, BH Director

MHAB Members Absent

1. J.D. Hatchett (Excused)

II. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

- Ms. Lynda Kauffman reported that their four Synergy locations are COVID-19 free and they are still offering therapy and processing admissions and discharges.
 - Supervisor Monica Brown will share information about free COVID-19 testing within Solano County.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Monica Brown motioned to approve the May 19, 2020 Minutes.
 - The motion was properly moved by Denise Coleman and seconded by Michael Wright. Ordered by a vote of 7-0.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

- Monica Brown motioned to approve the June 16, 2020 Agenda.
 - The motion was properly moved by Heather Theaux-Venezio and seconded by Daniel Cotton. Ordered by a vote of 7-0.

V. SCHEDULED CALENDAR

a. Routine Business

- i. Laura's Law Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) Referrals
 - Sandra Sinz provided an update on referrals. In April & May there were under five referrals each month and year to date approximately 35 referrals.
 - Michael Wright expressed his concern that this program does not work for him as a family member.
 - Supervisor Brown and Mr. Wright will work on writing something to address his concerns.
- ii. MH Related Legislation
 - Tracy Lacey gave legislative updates about AB2112, SB803, AB1837, and SB855.
- iii. LPS/PES Meeting Discussion
 - There were no updates.

b. New Business

- CSU Data
 - Tracy Lacey will send out the information.

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VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- There were no public comments on matters listed on the Agenda.

VII. STAFF REPORTS

a. Director's Report

- There were no updates.

b. MHSA Report

- Tracey Lacey informed the MHAB members and members of the public that the Mobile Crisis RRP is due July 10, 2020. It was sent to 248 agencies, 22 downloaded and only one agency had question.
- Ms. Lacey also went over the impact on consumers during the pandemic in relation to suicide rates. Suicide rates overall are down based on comparisons from March 2019 and March 2020.
- Ms. Lacey said the MHSA Innovation Reversion Funds can be used beyond 2020, with the UC Davis innovation project and QI Action Plan.
- Project Foundation with Suicide Prevention are implementing training for school districts and students and will be pushed by Office of Education.
 - When Ms. Lacey receives the letter from Living Works and Department of Ed, she will circulate to law enforcement and seek help from Ms. Theaux-Venezio to circulate to the Emergency Departments.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Executive Board

- Denise Coleman provided an update of her first Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board meeting.
 - Rally for Drug Safe Solano rally event will be taking place at Andrew Parks in Vacaville on June 18th.
 - Beacon referrals start on July 1st.

b. Membership

- Ms. Denise Coleman's Mental Health Advisory Board reappointment was approved at the August 4, 2020 Board of Supervisors meeting.

c. Outreach and Education

- There were no updates.

d. Ad hoc committee (if applicable)

- There were no updates.

IX. BOARD DISCUSSION ACTION

- Mental Health Advisory Board members had a discussion and exchanged views on existing issues within the community, i.e. homelessness, including the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.
 - Supervisor Brown will email city managers regarding homelessness issue near Texas Street and will send letter to Marisol to distribute.

X. ADJOURN

- The meeting was adjourned at 5:44 PM by Supervisor Monica Brown.