



Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board

For MARIPOSA COUNTY

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August 15, 2012

Members Present: Bill Leonard, Virgil Campbell, Alison Grove, Yolanda Cheley, Bryan Blew, Jim Tucker, Inez Terra, Sterling Cramer, Cinnamon Fleener, Jim Mason

Members Excused: Dusty Luker, Catherine Lara

Members Absent: None

Guests: Roberta Lindman, Candie Smith

Director: Jim Rydingsword

Deputy Director: John Lawless

Staff: Volney Dunavan, CADCI, DUI Program Coordinator, Sr. Alcohol and Drug Specialist
Pam Hawkins, ICADA; ICCS, Sr. Alcohol and Drug Specialist
Cathy Kulick, Senior Office Assistant, Recording Secretary

I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 12:31 p.m. by Chair Campbell and introductions were made.

II. **Public Comments:** None

III. **Approval of Minutes:** Chair Campbell asked for a motion to approve the April 18, 2012 Minutes and noted that the two previous meetings did not have a quorum. Sterling Cramer made the motion to accept the April 18, 2012 Minutes and Inez Terra seconded backed by a unanimous vote of the Board.

IV. **New Business:**

- A. Vote on Roberta Lindman's Membership Application - Chair Campbell:
Chair Campbell asked if the Board had any questions for Roberta prior to her election and there were none. Usually the member-elect is asked to leave the room during the voting process but Chair Campbell felt that was not necessary. He then asked for a motion to approve Ms. Lindman's membership to the Board. Inez Terra made the motion and Bryan Blew seconded. The Board passed the motion unanimously. Chair Campbell welcomed Roberta to the Board and expressed his appreciation for her patience during the application review process which began on January 18, 2012.
- B. Accept LuEllen Luker's Resignation from the Board - Chair Campbell: Chair Campbell asked for a motion to accept Ms. Luker's resignation dated May 31, 2012. Inez Terra made the motion, Sterling Cramer seconded and the Board made it unanimous. (Note: The Board of Supervisor's voted on Ms. Luker's resignation on June 26, 2012 so that her letter of appreciation could be sent in a timely manner.)
- C. Review proposed changes to the County DUI Program - John Lawless:
Deputy Director Lawless re-introduced Candie Smith, DUI Program Director of Kings View Corporation, Volney Dunavan and Pam Hawkins. He informed the Board that the County is proposing to hand over the current DUI Program to Kings View Corporation because the "County cannot fiscally support the Program any longer." He stated that he and Director Rydingsword met with Judge Walton to go over the proposal and that the Judge was "happy with the change." He then turned over the presentation to Candie Smith. Ms. Smith presented the following to the Board.
- The Program is looking to re-locate, possibly into the C.O.R.E building.
 - The transfer is set for October 1, 2012.
 - First, this Board must approve of the proposal then it goes to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) for their vote. Finally, it goes to the State for their approval.
 - Discussed how soon this document could reach the BOS for approval. Director Rydingsword thought by August 28, 2012.
 - Ms. Smith noted that she has been in charge of the DUI Program for Kings View Corp. for 34 years and also knows Volney very well.
 - Mariposa County's Program will be a "cookie cutter" to the programs offered in Madera, Fresno, Kings and Sonora Counties.
 - The current program in Mariposa will be 'grandfathered in' with all class credits and account balances transferred to Kings View.
 - Kings View's Program is very similar to the Program now being offered through Behavioral Health and Recovery Services.
 - Volney Dunavan has worked for Kings View in the past and she stated that she is comfortable with this transfer. Volney will continue to be the Program Coordinator in Mariposa.

At this point Chair Campbell asked who would cover for Volney when she was unavailable. Candie responded that counselors from Oakhurst and/or Fresno would back Volney up. The conversation then turned to a program offered by Kings View in Stanislaus County called Saboxone. After some

discussion about the Saboxone program, Candie returned to the proposal for Mariposa County. She noted that this proposal is being recommended by Human Services Staff and reiterated the importance of approving this change (or not) as soon as possible so that the BOS can do the same. She stated that Kings View has already submitted a preliminary proposal to the State for their review along with the location change. If by some chance the State refuses the proposal, Kings View can contract directly with Mariposa County. Finally, Candie reviewed the process of switching from County control to Kings View: First, prior to October 1, 2012, Kings View will send out letters to all open clients explaining the change and 2) Volney, with the support of Kings View, will answer any questions that the clients might have.

Inez Terra made the motion to accept the proposal from Kings View to assume the DUI Program in Mariposa. Cinnamon Fleener seconded followed by a unanimous vote by the Board. This item will now go to the BOS for their approval.

V. Old Business:

- A. Student Membership - Sterling Cramer: Sterling met with the Vice Principal of the High School last month and received a Membership Application from a young lady interested in joining the Board. Her application was dated April 23, 2012, and Chair Campbell suggested that Sterling contact the applicant to make sure she was still committed to becoming a member. Recording Secretary Kulick is now in possession of the application.

VI. Sub-Committee Reports:

- A. Membership: Alison Grove deferred to Sterling Cramer.
- B. Staff: Deputy Director John Lawless's report is contained above in the DUI presentation. He had no further comment.
- C. Director: Director Rydingsword stated that the BOS would begin budget deliberations for the Human Services Dept. on August 28th. He therefore changed the estimated date for the BOS to approve the Kings View proposal to September 4, 2012.

Additional comments: Bryan Blew reminded the Board that the upcoming Fair Booth could use some additional workers. He stated that the minimum shift is for two (2) hours and that Board Members can sign-up for more than one shift. Please call him with the date and time you are willing to work. He is hoping to have the booth in Building 'A' again this year. Chair Campbell asked if there were any issues with finding volunteers to work the booth. Bryan responded that only a few admission tickets come with each booth rental and that paying to get into the Fair on a daily basis can become an obstacle to some folks willing to work. John Lawless asked if Bryan was in charge of the booth

for the entire duration of the Fair and he responded, yes. The booth will offer information about the County's Alcohol and Drug Program and Mariposa Heritage House. Asked if folks who have community service hours could work the booth, Bryan indicated that it is

necessary to have knowledgeable volunteers. He can, however, utilize community service volunteers to help set-up and take down the booth.

Finally, Director Rydingsword said that two weeks ago he, Nancy Bell and Rebecca Maietto traveled to Yosemite National Park to meet with Joe Rabon Jr., Director of Human Resources for Delaware North Companies (DNC) in the Park. Jim was quite surprised to find out that there are some 277 DNC job openings in Yosemite. DNC's staff was friendly and appeared to be very knowledgeable. In fact he was impressed with the entire organization. During their visit several employees approached Mr. Rabon with ease and it was obvious that communication between management and staff was open and amiable.

VII. Reminder of Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on September 19, 2012, at the Human Services Center, Mariposa Room, 5362 Lemee Lane, Mariposa, CA at 12:30 p.m.

VIII. Adjournment: Chair Campbell asked for a motion to adjourn at 1:13 p.m. Inez so moved and Jim Mason seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by Cathy Kulick, Recording Secretary