



Mental Health Board

For MARIPOSA COUNTY

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**May 2, 2013
Meeting Minutes
12:00 – 1:30 P.M.**

Members Present: Lori Ritter, Lisa Carisio, Julia Crespi, Janet Bibby

Members Excused: Jeremy Briese, Meghan Kehoe

Members Absent:

Guests: Pete Judy, Bonnie Henderson, Dasha Babinsteva, Chevon Kothari

Quorum: Yes

Director: Jim Rydingsword

Deputy Director: John Lawless

Staff: Angela Phillips, Social Worker Supervisor I
Donna Shimer, Recording Secretary

- I. Meeting was called to order at 12:25 p.m. by acting Chair, Lori Ritter. Lisa Carisio made a motion to appoint Lori Ritter to fill in as chair in Meghan Kehoe and Jeremy Brieses' absents, Janet Bibby seconded, motion passed.

Public Comments

Lori Ritter informed the advisory committee that Ruth Catalan was back in town. She is doing better. Ruth Catalan is slowly taking on a few things and when she feels well enough she would like to come back to the Mental Health Advisory Committee.

II. **Approval of Minutes:** Lori Ritter suggested that a correction be made under Board Chair report. Change “Meghan informed the advisory committee that there will be no July meeting” to “Meghan suggested to the advisory committee that they consider not having a July meeting due to the holiday.” Lisa Carisio made a motion to approve the minutes as amended by Lori Ritter, Janet Bibby seconded the motion. Motion passed.

III. **Reports:**

A. **Director (Jim Rydingsword):** N/A

B. **Deputy Director (John Lawless):** John updated the advisory committee on the status of the after hours crisis position. The application was approved. Human Services is currently using existing staff to cover. They are recruiting for local people. John Phillips and himself will be going down to Fresno State next week to present to first and Second year MSW students what they are looking for in an after hours crisis workers. Jim reworked it so that the pay scale is much higher than it was., they will now get \$2.50 an hours for standby time and a \$100 stipend a week for every week they are on, and they will also receive an additional \$25 a week if they are not on call and are called in. Human Services is also offering some training and once the training is completed a certificate will be given. He also discussed the surveys Human Services is currently using.

C. **Social Worker Supervisor I (Angela Phillips):** Angela welcomed everyone to the road house. Interviews were done for mental health clinician for Ann Conrad's staff. She also talked about the walk in clinic. Road House doing great.

D. **Board Chair (Meghan Kehoe):** Acting Chair, Lori Ritter asked for volunteers to serve as the nomination committee to nominate a new chair and vice chair. Megan Kehoe, Janet Bibby and Lori Ritter volunteered for the nomination committee. They will report to the advisory board at next months meeting on their nominations for chair and vice chair.

E. **Financial Report (Pat/Cindy):** Cindy and Pat reported to the advisory committee the MHSA fiscal report. There was a drop in medical reimbursement but Human Services is still up to date on corrective action plan. John Lawless updated the advisory committee that Bill Davis, auditor, e-mailed the state in regards to the corrective action plan. Mr. Davis received an e-mail stating that the over site committee is now looking into this.

IV. **Old Business:**

A. **Mobile Meetings - May-Road House, Sept./Oct. - District 2 (North Co.)**-October to have meeting at the Coulterville office. (keep on old business) Donna will get the advisory committee the information to put an article in the newspapers in Coulterville at next months meeting.

- B. Grant Mercantile Agency Contract - Update-Probation** Cindy passed out collection packet. Pat discussed in detail with the advisory committee. Probation will be collecting collections for behavioral health.
- V. New Business:**
- A. CalMHSa Stigma & Discrimination Reduction Initiative** Chevon Kothari reported to the advisory committee regarding the grant in detail. The grant is due May 3rd. It will go to the Board of Supervisors. Once it passes, there will be an events held around the community to inform the community. (keep on the agenda for June's meeting). Lori Ritter made a motion to approve and recommend to be submitted to the Board of Supervisors, Lisa Carisio seconded the motion, motion passed.
- B. July Meeting (No Meeting)** Lisa Carisio made motion for no meeting in July. Julia Crespi seconded. Motion passed.
- C. Mariposa Butterfly Festival** - Lori Ritter talked about the butterfly festival and asked for members to help out at the booth.
- D. Options for use of Funds** Cindy discuss with the advisory committee the options for use of the surplus funds. Janet Bibby made a motion to go with option 1 and then monitor, Lisa Carisio seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- E. MHB Member Recruitment Letter** Lisa Carisio suggested that the advisory Committee's mission statement be in the letter. Donna Shimer and John Lawless will work on it and resubmit to the advisory committee at next months meeting.
- F. Surveys** John discussed with the board
- G. CalMHSa Joint Exercise of Power Agreement** John Lawless discussed with the advisory committee. The advisory committee requested more time to review. (put on June's agenda).
- VI. Adjournment:** Lisa Carisio made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:30pm, Julia Crespi seconded. Motion passed

Reminder: The next meeting will be held on **June 6, 2013** at the Mariposa County Human Services Mariposa Room from 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Submitted,

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