



Mental Health Board

For MARIPOSA COUNTY

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October 6, 2016
Meeting Minutes
12:00 – 1:30 P.M.

Members Present: Lisa Carisio, Ellie McQuarrie, Sunday Moore-Robesky, Rosemarie Smallcombe, Paul Perry, Jennifer Gamble, Ronald Schmidt

Members Excused: Sabine Jordan

Members Absent: Miranda Adams, Lori Ritter, Sterling Cramer

Guest: Kristen Fiester (MHH), Clarence Tedrow (ADAB), Chrissie Doss, Todd Davidson, Christopher George, Kathleen Paxton-Bailey

Quorum: Yes/No

Director: Chevon Kothari

Deputy Director: Barbara Gatlin

Staff: Donya Evans, Recording Secretary

- I. Meeting was called to order at 12:01 pm by Lisa Carisio, Chair
- II. Mission of MH Board was read by Lisa Carisio, Chair
- III. Introductions
- IV. Public Comments: *Kitty Hawkins (guest) brought to the attention of the Board a family crisis that occurred in September 2016 (which involved law enforcement, J. C. Fremont Hospital, and Mariposa Co. Behavioral Health) and wants Board to find solutions for 1) after-hour calls, 2) providing list of psychiatric facilities to non-5150 clients for voluntary admission, and 3) follow-up services taking too long to obtain. Deputy Director of BH, Barbara Gatlin, addressed the Board and stated there was an investigation regarding these concerns, that after-hour calls are answered by Alameda and that follow-up services are provided in a timely manner. Board was invited to investigate – BH has notes and documentation of investigation.*

Lisa: Will ask Chevon about asking hospital rep to speak to Board. We can ask Sheriff Dept. also to come to a board meeting.

Rosemarie: Will ask Doug Binnewies to address this specific situation

Sunday R: Made a motion to make sure that Doug from the SO and someone representing the hospital to be at a meeting, maybe in Nov or Dec, so that we can explain some situations. We want an explanation.

Paul: Motion not approved – already a part of the meeting

Lisa: Note that this will be an action - put item on agenda for next month's meeting

V. Approval of Minutes: Minutes were not approved. Lisa made a motion to have the meeting notes revised (there will vs. the will). Vote at next Board meeting.

VI. New Business:

A. Mental Health Funding (Part II - Expenditures) – presented by Pat Kuhlman and Randy Ridenhour

VII. Old Business:

A. **Action Plan** – Tabled for next meeting. Cannot vote on action because two board members left meeting and there is no longer a quorum.

VIII. Reports:

A. **Board Chair (Lisa Carisio)** – Will hold off on elections for new Chair until after a decision has been made on merger with AOD Board. Susan Wilson coming on Nov 3rd for combined meeting – and then we can vote. Discussion was made as to merger with AOD. Lisa will talk with Chevon about possibility of making the November meeting longer to address MH Board items. Nov 3rd meeting is currently scheduled from 10 am to 2 pm.

B. **Deputy Director (Barbara Gatlin)** – Introduced BH supervisors to the Board: Christopher George (CSOC), Todd Davidson (ASOC), Chrissie Doss (QA), Kathleen Paxton-Bailey (SUD and TRAC). Supervisors are working on an implementation plan to present to the Board. BH in process of hiring more Clinicians and Mental Health Assistants.

C. **Supervisory Report (Todd Davidson)** - A new staff member is starting in ASOC. Todd, Chevon and Barbara met with Judge Fagalde to set up Behavioral Health Court to work with individuals who may be in court system and whose charges revolve around BH symptoms. Also, reported Stigma Reduction Committee was at Farmer's Market with a booth, and they were doing a great job.

D. **Financial Report (Pat Kuhlman)** – N/A due to MH Funding presentation given earlier.

E. Analyst Report (Lynn Rumfelt) – Handouts with statistics for July – September 2016: Total clients, TRAC Team responses, number of days from request to assessment, and number of days from request to psych services. Discussion of programs. Questions were answered.

F. Director Report (Chevon Kothari) – N/A, Director not present

G. Heritage House Center Report (Kristen Fiester) Wellness Center statistics since July 1, 2016: Daily check-ins 2600, lunches 2406, showers 785, use of relaxation room 451, computer use 950, laundry loads 51, group participation sign-ins 79, individual sign-ins 134. Housing Navigator: 3 previously chronic homeless now in homes, and 1 temporary homeless is now in a home.

IX. Committee Report: (Time Permitting) - None

X. Adjournment: 1:27 p.m.

Reminder: The next meeting will be held on **November 3, 2016** at the Mariposa County Human Services Mariposa Room from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Submitted,

Donya Evans (on behalf of Recording Secretary, Donna Shimer)

Donna Shimer
Recording Secretary