



Mental Health Board

For MARIPOSA COUNTY

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**September 1, 2011
Meeting Minutes
12:00 – 1:30 P.M.**

Members Present: Emma Levy, Joey Curti, Lori Ritter, Ruth Catalan,
Janet Bibby, Bob Linneman, Eleanor Keuning

Members Excused:

Members Absent: Jeremy Briese, Betty Corradi, Jennifer Gamble, Timothy Greer

Guests: Pete Judy, Chief of Probation

Quorum: Yes

Director: Jim Rydingsword

Deputy Director: John Lawless

Staff: Michael Bishop, Social Worker Supervisor II
Donna Shimer, Recording Secretary

I. Meeting was called to order at 12:06 p.m. by Chair, Lori Ritter.

PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS ANY AGENDA ITEM OR COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA MAY DO SO AT THIS TIME. ANY COMMENTS ARE TO BE LIMITED TO FIVE MINUTES PER PERSON. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS (OPTIONAL).

FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA, NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN AT THIS TIME. IF IT REQUIRES ACTION, IT WILL BE REFERRED TO STAFF AND/OR PLACED ON THE NEXT AGENDA.

Public Comments N/A

II. **Approval of Minutes:** Ruth Catalan moved to approve the July 7, 2011 meeting minutes. John Lawless stated that there needs to be a correction on the July 7th meeting minutes. The correction; under reports number D, Roadhouse, change waited to waiting. Ruth Catalan made a motion to approve the July 7th meeting minutes with the new correction. Bob Linneman seconded the motion and Janet Bibby was abstained. The motion was passed.

III. Reports:

A. Director (Jim Rydingsword):

- I. Jim reported to the board the current State budget and how it will affect Mental Health.
- II. Jim and Pete Judy, Chief of Probation discussed with the board the AB 109(the transfer of prisoners from the state prison to the county) grant. They went into detail of what the grant was and how it will affect our community.
- III. Jim discussed with the board about the Poverty 101 Session with Dr. Donna Beegle that was held at Human Services on Thursday August 25. Jim will e-mail Donna the link to the website and she will send it to the board.

B. Deputy Director (John Lawless):

- I. John updated the board on the Probation/Mental Health Grant. He informed the board that they are in the process of filing an extension. There will be a Stake holders meeting on Tuesday September 20th in the Mariposa Room at Human Services from 1-3pm.
- II. John informed the board that there will be a new program called Differential Response. He explained what this program will do and how it will help the community. He also stated that we are in the process of recruiting for this position.

C. Social Worker Supervisor II (Michael Bishop): Michael informed the board that the waiting list is 4 weeks out. He also informed the board that they are in the process of creating a new group called a Transitional Group. This group will be a support group for clients who have had an assessment and are waiting to be assigned a clinician. He stated that we have a full time clinician that is out on family leave and we have a part time clinician that has been taking up the slack, but now she is booked so they came up with this group to help out.

C. Road House (Betty Corradi): (absent) Eleanor informed the board that she found out about the warm line that was discussed at the last board meeting. The person is Jan Codd and she attends the New Life Church. Eleanor stated that she has not talked to Jan in a long time.

D. Board Chair (Lori Ritter): No report at this time

IV. Old Business: N/A

V. New Business:

- A. DVD-On Listening: California's Hopes for Healthcare Reform- the board discussed their feelings about the video.
- B. Inter Regional Training Report - Eleanor: Eleanor reported to the board that the Chamber Calendar in May 2012 has the Butterfly Festival the first weekend in May and Relay for Life in the middle of May. The last 3

weekends are available to the regional training. Lori Ritter (chair) asked if Eleanor had received an e-mail from the Regional Training contact person. She responded no. Lori Ritter (chair) will follow-up with an e-mail and let Eleanor know. Lori Ritter (Chair) asked the board who would like to be on a committee for the Regional Training. Lori Ritter(chair) stated she will be on the committee, Eleanor Keuning stated that she would like to be on the committee and Jim Rydingsword stated he would like to be on the committee as staff support.

- C. Nominating Committee: Janet Bibby reported to the board that the nominating Committee's decision is to have Lori Ritter continue as Chair and Eleanor Keuning as Vice chair. Ruth Catalan made a motion to elect Lori Ritter to continue as Chair and Eleanor Keuning as Vice Chair. Bob Linneman seconded the motion. The motion was passed. Ruth Catalan brought up that the board needs members that will attend the meetings. That the by-laws need to be reviewed regarding attendance. Lori Ritter(chair) requested to Donna that on next months agenda the board review what kind of representation the board would like.

- VI. **Adjournment:** Bob Linneman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:26pm. Eleanor Keuning seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Reminder: The next meeting will be held on **October 6, 2011** at the Human Services Mariposa Room, from 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Submitted,

Donna Shimer

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