

Behavioral Health Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 09.03.2008
 Start Time: 3:05
 Adjournment: 5:00
 Location: ASD Conference Room

Present:

Board Members: Salvador Ventura, Tom LeBlanc, Supervisor Kim Yamaguchi, Dr. Michael Shuell, David Clark, Patricia Johnson, Barbara Foy, Dave Panchesson, Carol Childers

Staff: Edward Walker, Elizabeth Gowan, Michael Schultz, Debbie Villasenor (contractor), Shelly Laney, Wilma Cosgrave, Monica Derkacz, Danelle Campbell, Tony Stefanetti, Rick Reynolds, Brooke Knadle, Sue Spann

Visitors: Mike Little, Mike Little, Anne Tsong, Michael Griffith, Dave Mahan, Nancy Jorth, Marian Gage, Diane Cooper-Puckett, Barbara Alderson, Ed Mayer, Pattie Slattengren, Tom Tenorio, Arlene Hostetler

Absent:

Board Members: David Warren-Baker, Nancy Bryant

Agenda Item/Issue:	Discussion Summary:	Result/Action/Next Steps- Person Assigned/Due Date
1) Call to Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quorum present. 	Called to order at 3:05
2) Approval of Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes will be subject to approval/corrections at the regular 09.18.2008 meeting. Tom LeBlanc suggested that the Board members introduce themselves before the meeting got underway. 	Members introduced themselves.
3) Public Hearing for MHSA Community Services and Supports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January and February, 2008, a committee composed of staff of approved CS & S programs, consumers, and a BHB member met 	

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<p>Augmentation II (Elizabeth Gowan)</p>	<p>and developed priority recommendations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April and May 2008, Community Input meetings held in Chico, Oroville, Gridley, and Paradise • July, 2008, BHB ad hoc committee met and made final recommendations. • Draft plan developed and posted to the BCDBH website. • September 3, 2008, Public Hearing conducted. • All funding is directed to programs already approved by California Department of Mental Health. • As required, money was put aside to bring MHSA prudent reserve to correct level (50% of the most recently approved annual CS & S budget). • Funding breakdown was reviewed (hand out with budget numbers is available on request). • The prudent reserve was discussed at some length, as well as the issue of the continuance of the SEARCH program (AB 2034). A lawsuit is currently going through the courts right now regarding the legality of what Governor Schwarzenegger has done with its funding. 	
<p>Board Comments/Questions</p>		
<p>Public Comments/Questions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The question was raised about contracted services for youth. Interim Director Edward Walker discussed the “hospitalization alternative for youth” program that is still under development. It is hoped that the program will be up and running this fall. • Edward Walker stressed that MHSA is ongoing, and can and will change over time. He also stated that in-County capacity for services will increase over time. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) was discussed. One of its greatest challenges is nurse staffing. Once a pay differential and 12 hour shift is established, the nurse staffing issue will most likely be resolved. • Although the CSU is oftentimes referred to as the “23 Hour Unit,” it is more accurate to call it the Crisis Stabilization Unit as its purpose is to act as a provider of acute care. • A question was raised regarding the location of the Drop-In Center and its possible relocation. Edward Walker replied that the Department is doing a facility cost analysis with the desired outcome being a reduction of expenses. Such expense reductions will benefit the Department in the years to come. 	
<p>4) Community Services and Supports Plan Update (Elizabeth Gowan)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A plan update is required for every fiscal year. • The current 08/09 update was released on July 23, 2008. • The CS & S budget was increased by \$510,000 over last fiscal year’s budget. • Eight new Behavioral Health Counselor and two new Mental Health Clinician positions are being created. • The new positions will reduce the number of lay offs included in the current Department budget. • Having the public hearing for the new budget in a timely manner also helps towards the end of reducing the number of staff laid off due to budget cuts. • Official approval by the State is expected within 30 days of its submission. 	

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5) Behavioral Health Board MHSAs Advisory Committee (Elizabeth Gowan)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elizabeth Gowan went over the “Proposal for Behavioral Health Board MHSAs Advisory Committee” The purpose of the committee is to review MHSAs community input processes and to advise the BHB and Department staff on the effectiveness of the planning process. It will also provide global program and budget recommendations that will increase the efficacy of MHSAs programs and their influence on system transformation. The committee fulfills the purpose of advising the Board and the Department on MHSAs-related issues. 	
Board Comments/Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Board expressed much interest in the proposed committee. The Board will have as an action item on the 09.18.2008 agenda approval of the proposed MHSAs Advisory Committee. 	Action item for 09.18.2008 meeting; approval of proposed MHSAs Advisory Committee.
Public Comments/Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was asked how this committee connects with the other MHSAs components (ex., Prevention and Early Intervention). It was explained that each component is different, and will require unique approaches to achieve their implementation. It was suggested that the Butte County Office of Education be represented on the proposed committee. Elizabeth emphasized that this proposed committee is in draft form, and be amended as needed before 	

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	final approval by the Board.	
6) Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Before adjournment, Tom LeBlanc talked about the importance of consumers sharing their successes and struggles. He invited consumers to attend BHB meetings. 	Meeting adjourned at 4:15.
11) Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting adjourned at 5:00 	The next meeting will be on September 18, 2008, at 3:00, at the ASD Conference Room, 109 Parmac Rd., Ste. 1, Chico.

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