

Behavioral Health Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 09.18.2008
 Start Time: 3:05
 Adjournment: 5:00
 Location: ASD Conference Room

Present:

Board Members: Salvador Ventura, Tom LeBlanc, Supervisor Kim Yamaguchi, Patricia Johnson, Carol Childers, David Warren-Baker, Nancy Bryant, , Dave Panchesson, Dr. Michael Shuell

Staff: Edward Walker, Lisa Cox, Elizabeth Gowan, Dr. Michael Clarke, Daedalus Wilson, John Amis, Geoff Davis

Visitors: Mike Little, Brad Montgomery, Ken Nash, Patricia Krause

Absent:

Board Members: David Clark, Barbara Foy

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"> • Approval of 07.17.2008 and 09.03.2008 Minutes 	Minutes were approved as written, will be posted on Dept. website.
3) Announcements- Chair and Board members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salvador Ventura announced the resignation of Board member Perry Turner. • Salvador reviewed the Board roster to confirm correct term expiration dates, and to determine which members wanted to put in writing their intention to serve a second consecutive term. 	Tom LeBlanc and Patricia Johnson will write a letter of interest, Dave Panchesson and Dr. Michael Shuell will resign at the end of the year, and Carol Childers will consider a

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During the review of the roster, Tom LeBlanc noted that David Warren-Baker as a youth member, has a one year term. • Dave Panchesson stated that Sheriff Perry Reniff is looking for a law enforcement replacement. • During the discussion of law enforcement membership, Supervisor Kim Yamaguchi observed that it would be ideal that the law enforcement representative volunteered for the duty rather than being assigned to it. • Supervisor Yamaguchi said he would like to be of assistance in the search for a law enforcement representative. 	<p>second term.</p> <p>Geoff Davis will update the roster accordingly; David Warren-Baker expressed interest in a second one year term as the Youth member.</p>
<p>4) NAMI Report -Salvador Ventura for Patricia Johnson</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salvador Ventura reported that Larry and Colleen Phipps have resigned their leadership of NAMI. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike Little is serving as interim President of NAMI. • NAMI meetings on the third Thursday of every month at 7:00 at the Butte County Library on East First Avenue in Chico. • There will be a Family Support meeting on Tuesday, September 23. • Salvador explained the purpose of the support group, noting that Janine Cuellar has been in attendance at these meetings to provide guidance to Department services. • Patricia Johnson will continue to attend NAMI meetings and report on them to the Board. • Nancy Bryant will also be attending NAMI meetings on a regular basis. 	
<p>5) Retreat Follow Up</p> <p>CIT-Dave Panchesson</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dave Panchesson began by announcing Sheriff Perry Reniff's offer to make the Butte County Sheriff's Department the lead police agency for the CIT program, with the assistance of other local law enforcement agencies. • Dave gave a brief history of CIT and its founder, Sam Cochran. • Dave explained how recently Sam Cochran facilitated three meetings in Butte County. • The first meeting focused on consumer training, the second on community training, and the third on law enforcement training. • Sam Cochran was presented with a plaque in recognition of his efforts to get CIT established in Butte County. • There will be a CORE meeting at the MHSA office at 9:30 on September 23; a national 	

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<p>Mental Health Awareness -Dr. Michael Shuell</p>	<p>conference will take place this November in Georgia.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Department Program Managers Tom Evans and Don Taylor will be in attendance at the national convention. • Salvador Ventura noted that CIT goes beyond law enforcement. He explained that it involves NAMI, community services, including hospitals. • CIT, Salvador explained, is intended to improve interaction between law enforcement, consumers, and their family members. • Supervisor Kim Yamaguchi noted the similarities between the current CIT effort and the work Catalyst did 20 years ago related to the prevention of domestic violence. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Shuell handed out information on NAMI Walks and their purpose, which is to raise awareness of mental health issues and funds for NAMI to use throughout the year. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Shuell proposed that the walk take place in May, 2009, since May is Mental Health Awareness Month. • Dr. Shuell suggested that booths could be set up, along with music and activities to make the NAMI walk part of a day long event. • Salvador Ventura shared his experiences with NAMI walks in the past, and they have always proven to be very successful. • Dr. Shuell noted that MHSA sponsorship of the event would be key to its success. • Elizabeth Gowan, Wellness and 	
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<p>Customer Service -Salvador Ventura</p>	<p>Recovery Program Manager, explained the importance of sponsorship of these kinds of events.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interim Director Edward Walker talked about how such grassroots organizations like NAMI are instrumental in reducing the stigmatization of mental illness and the services necessary to help ameliorate the effects of mental illness on those suffering from it along with the community in general. • Edward Walker offered the assistance of the Department's Prevention Unit, which is highly skilled in the organization and promotion of such events. • Dave Panchesson put a motion on the floor for the Board to support the NAMI walk, Tom LeBlanc, after expressing strong support for it, seconded the motion. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salvador Ventura has been working with Assistant Director, Adult Services, Lisa Cox and its Quality Improvement (QI) Committee. • A customer service exit interview questionnaire has been developed that will be actively distributed to consumers and completed when consumers have received services. • This survey will begin in two weeks. 	<p>The Board will provide support for the NAMI Walk, and the Department will provide assistance as necessary for its organization/promotion.</p> <p>Results of the questionnaire will be analyzed and appropriate action taken to increase consumer customer service.</p>
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<p>6) Director's Report -Edward Walker, Interim Director</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed the current state of the State budget, and the importance of trailer bills. • The local budget, adopted by the County Board of Supervisors, is being implemented as approved. • Assistant Directors Lisa Cox and Dr. Michael Clarke have been working on the transition of staff and consumer caseloads. • Staff transfers have been determined by staff preference and skill. • Consumer need has been the primary factor in staff placement. • Staff transfers in regard to staff preference and skill has been a very good match. • Lay offs have been greatly reduced from what had originally been thought necessary. • MHSA and SAMSHA helped greatly in the reduction of staff lay offs. • MHSA Augmentation II, which was approved by the Behavioral Health Board at the special September 3 meeting, was approved by the State on Friday, September 12. • Funding is anticipated to happen within 30 days of the submission date. 	
<p>7) Ongoing Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dave Panchesson gave a brief history of the letter. 	

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<p>-Membership Committee</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The issue was then raised by Salvador if the meeting should then be shortened by a half hour or stay at two hours, ending at 5:30. • Salvador was of the opinion that the meeting should remain two hours in length, with the Board in agreement. • David Warren-Baker stated that his teacher, in view of his good grades, etc., did not have an issue with his leaving early once a month to attend the Board meeting. • Edward Walker noted that the Board could write a letter excusing David if necessary. • After some general discussion, it was decided that the issue could be dropped at this time. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership Committee is comprised of Tom LeBlanc, Carol Childers, and Dave Panchesson. • The Membership Committee is thus fully staffed, and is currently considering two applicants, William Kehoe and Janet Taylor, both of whom served previously on the Board. 	<p>Meeting start time will remain at 3:00.</p> <p>Membership Committee will report to the Board at the October meeting on the results of its interviews with William Kehoe and Janet Taylor.</p>
<p>09) Youth Services Division CCOC Presentation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Michael Clarke, Assistant Director, Youth Services, provided the Board hand outs to illustrate what the CCOC (Continuing Circles of Care) is all about. • CCOC is funded by SAMSHA, was a hard-won grant that is now in its third year (of six years total). • Dr. Harold Baize was instrumental in writing the grant proposal, and is in charge of compiling and reporting on program performance data. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Clarke shared that this program has produced the best results of any program he has seen in his 25 years with Butte County Behavioral Health Department. • The program is nationally and internationally recognized for its achievements. • The Federal Government is requesting that Butte County share its successes with it. • A Mr. Ken Nash, accompanied by Mental Health Clinician Intern Daedalys Wilson, shared how in many instances the CCOC has assisted his family. • Mr. Nash shared the transformation of his son and other relatives due to the program's outreach efforts. • Dr. Clarke noted how the program has been able to serve African-American, Latino-American, and Rural Mountain Communities. • CCOC recently had an event that included all of the aforementioned communities represented, and they all had a great time, with none of the confrontations that might have occurred without the influence of the CCOC's ongoing services. 	
10) Public Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patricia Krause commended the Board and Edward Walker for making the budget process open for review and discussion. • Patricia Krause initiated a conversation on Department productivity levels which have gone down since 2004. • Patricia Krause presented Edward Walker with a written request to provide information on clinical line staff and clinical management staff productivity data dating back to 2004. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Michael Shuell provided insight to the question of what is meant by clinical staff productivity. 	Edward Walker received Patricia Krause's letter, and will work on getting the requested data to her.
11) Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting Adjourned at 5:00 	The next meeting will be at 3:00, October 16, at 109 Parmac Rd., Ste. 1, Chico, CA.

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