

Alameda County Mental Health Board Minutes
July 10, 2006 ♦ 12:00pm-2:00pm
Lakeside Plaza Building, 1401 Lakeside Dr. Room 1107
Oakland, CA 94612

Meeting called to order @ 12:00pm by Chairperson Marsha McInnis

HOUSEKEEPING

Roll Call / Introduction of Guests

Mental Health Board Members:

Present: Karen Bridges, Rochelle Elias, Anthony Hare, Marsha McInnis, Joe Shimizu and Sup. Gail Steele

Excused: Deborrah Bremond, Dr. Ron Tauber and Hal Zawacki

Absent: Anthony Forrette

BHCS Staff: Barbara Majak, Carolyn Novosel, Gary Spicer, Thomas Walker & Agnes Catolos

Public: Linda Smith and Michael Diehl (Berkeley Mental Health Commission)
 Lorenzo Kearney, Jerome Attaway, Valerie Robinson, Clarence Brewer, Lavar Brown, CC Wynn,
 Curtis McBride, Mary Johnson and Dexter Shabazz (Howie Harp Multi Service Center)

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
<u>Approval of May and June 2006 MHB minutes</u>	<p>Mr. Shimizu made corrections to the May and June minutes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correction to the May minutes-on page 3 at the bottom area, Mr. Shimizu asked for clarification of an “extended meeting”. Mr. Spicer stated that “extended” refer to extended membership. • Correction to the June minutes-1) on page 3, it should read “the flipside is that ABMHC is a jurisdiction and MHSA will be received directly from the state and because there is not enough money in the ABMHC allocation it really puts a little more burden to the county because there is also not enough money in the county allocation to really address all these needs. It’s not because ABMHC has a separate allocation, it doesn’t mean they live in a separate county.” <p>2) on page 9, it should read “pose” rather than post.</p>	<p>Approval of May minutes...M/S/C Mr. Shimizu/Mr. Hare All favored as amended</p> <p>Approval of June minutes...M/S/C Mr. Shimizu/Sup. Steele Motion passed as corrected</p> <p>2-abstained</p>

<i>ITEM</i>	<i>DISCUSSION</i>	<i>ACTION</i>
<u>Correspondence</u>	None	
<u>Presentation</u>	None	
<u>Action Items</u> A. Election of New Officers	<p><i>Ms. Bridges presented the Slate of Officers for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 as follows:</i> <i>Chair-Marsha McInnis</i> <i>Vice-Chair-Joe Shimizu</i> <i>Secretary-Rochelle Elias</i></p> <p><i>Ms. McInnis asked if there is any nomination from the floor.</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Hare made a motion to accept the slate and elect the officers as recommended.</i></p>	<p><i>Approval of the Slate of Officers for FY 06-07</i> <i>M/S/C Mr. Hare/</i> <i>Sup. Steele</i> <i>All Favored</i></p>
B. Berkeley Mental Health Commission Liaison Appointment	<p><i>Mr. Shimizu felt that the liaison for the Berkeley Mental Health Commission should be board members from Sup. Keith Carson's District and related that Dr. Tauber, who lives in Berkeley indicated that he's not interested in the position.</i></p> <p><i>Ms. McInnis stated that this item need to be tabled to next month's meeting to inquire if Mr. Zawacki or Ms. Bremond would be willing to serve as the Berkeley Mental Health Commission Liaison.</i></p>	
<u>Discussion Items</u> A. Criminal Justice Population...Do we need a committee?	<p><i>Mr. Hare addressed his concern about the criminal justice population and suggested that the MHB need to develop a permanent committee to address criminal justice concerns. Mr. Hare felt that there is not enough done to communicate what Behavioral Health Care services are being offered to various county departments. Mr. Hare would like to convene a committee that would have an on-going dialogue with various county departments and would like this committee to develop procedure to address service needs for criminal justice clients who are mentally ill.</i></p> <p><i>Sup. Steele would also like to develop a committee that would address criminal justice issues that would relate to John George and criminal justice clients who are hospitalized at John George.</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Majak related that 2 years ago BHCS had a MIOCR (Mentally Ill Offender Crime Reduction) Grant which addressed criminal justice recidivism.</i></p>	

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<i>B. MHB Member Attendance</i>	<p><i>Mr. Walker presented MHB's current membership, appointments of new members and lack of attendance of some of the board members; there are currently 6 vacancies (1-District 1; 2-District 2; 3-District 4)</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Walker stated that Sup. Miley said he was willing to do some out of district appointments.</i></p> <p><i>Sup. Steele stated that she would take the lead to have some newspaper advertisement to recruit new board members and would like Mr. Walker to call her office to help coordinate effort to find new MHB members.</i></p>	
<u>Director's Report</u>	<p><i>Ms. Majak presented the Director's Report on behalf of Dr. Thomas. Info. packet was distributed that was consisted of the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• BHCS Presentation to the Measure A Oversight Committee-recommendations that came out of the Budget Task Force Committee 1) Development of detoxification service 2) trying to address the problem of cost of doing business, the maintenance of effort in the contract provider network and the work compensation cost. Detox program will be in Fairmont Campus, there will be sobering station and detoxification service. Ms. Majak related that Dr. Tauber is a member of the Measure A Oversight Committee.</i> <p><i>Mr. Shimizu asked how much would BHCS receive out of the \$25 mil Measure A allocation</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Spicer responded that a total of \$4.25 mil-(\$2 mil for detox and \$2.25 mil for the community providers) and an additional Measure A revenue was able to be used to cover some of the deficit for this year.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• Health Care Service Agency Presentation to the BOS Budget Hearing-Ms. Majak stated that the BOS budget hearing was structured the same as last year and the BOS looked at county general fund, those are funds that the BOS have some control. The BOS, CAO and the Dept. were able to close the county deficit without any program closure.</i> <i>• County Administrator's letter re: Adoption of the 2006-2007 Final Budget-Ms. Majak directed everyone's attention to page 3 of the letter, 2nd bullet-Board Policy Directives which talk about HCSA non-ACMC Measure A funds, there will be a 1-time supplemental payment because of the increase in Measure A funds to:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1) \$1.2 mil to the county's indigent medical care services providers network and</i> <i>2) about \$0.4 mil to the Alameda County Coalition of Mental Health Agencies and</i> 	

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<i>Director's Report (Cont.)</i>	<p><i>the Drug and Alcohol provider network</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>MHSA Update-Mr. Spicer gave information on the distribution of the Community, Services & Supports (CSS) Plans funds, which were broken out by:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) <i>Community Based Programs-Request for Proposal (RFP) Programs-52%</i> 2) <i>Sole Source Programs-17%</i> 3) <i>County Operated Programs-14%</i> 4) <i>Planning-4%</i> 5) <i>Administration-13%</i> <p><i>Mr. Spicer stated that one of the key feature of MHSA is the obligation and expectation of the ongoing planning with annual updates through the CSS Plan as well as planning that the dept. need to do in the areas of prevention and early intervention, capital and technology and work force development, these programs are not as yet began because there's still no guidelines from the state. Mr. Spicer stated that they are expecting that the prevention and early intervention will be the first one out and they expect to get some preliminary draft guidelines by fall or early winter; another important thing that the dept. is working on is developing RFP around housing and homeless services i.e. Homeless Outreach Service Team (HOST) which is essential in North County. RFP for 4 Full Service Partnerships to be released in July 2006 are: FSP 1-HOST Program; FSP 2-North County Senior Homeless Program; FSP 3-Supportive Housing for Transition Age Youth (STAY); FSP 5-Forensic Assertive Community Treatment (FACT) Team. The dept. is hoping to be able to release the other RFP proposed programs by next week; the RFP's will be posted in the BHCS website before they are released.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>DMH approval letter of the Alameda County Community Services and Supports (CSS) 3 year plan-Mr. Spicer stated that the approval letter will be retroactive to June 1st; the distribution of funds was described on 2nd paragraph-the county is receiving \$2.943 mil for FY 05-06; 1-time fund of \$1.250 in operating cost for 1 month of service operation.</i> 	
<u>Chair Report</u>	<p><i>Ms. McInnis stated that she would like to discuss with the committee chairs if they want to continue being chairs for the next year and encouraged everyone to attend some of the MHB committees where they can get into the operational details of each committees which they can't get at a regular MHB meeting.</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Shimizu stated that Ms. Elias is willing to serve as the new chair of the PAC.</i></p> <p><i>Ms. McInnis appointed Ms. Elias as the new PAC chair.</i></p>	
<u>Committee Chair Reports</u>	<p><i>Mr. Hare stated that the Adult Committee met on June 19th, Sausal Creek monthly report was not delivered; Dr. Biehl presented a report about John George i.e.</i></p>	

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<i>Adult Committee Report Adult Committee Chair Report (Cont.)</i>	<i>personnel changes, changes in philosophy and policy. Mr. Hare felt that John George should do a presentation to the board about the current transformation at John George. Mr. Hare added that they also had discussion on the following: number of 5150 detentions; significant reduction in the number of 5150 detention in Oakland; OPD draft policies on dealing with the mentally ill; AB1424 and 5150.05 forms. Mr. Hare stated that Francesca Tenenbaum from Patients' Rights Advocates brought a complaint that John George and Police Dept were violating Section 5152.1; the committee discussed the issues, what the real concerns were and proposed remedies. Mr. Hare related that 2/3 of the issues get resolved on the spot after the discussion together with Dr. Biehl.</i>	
<i>Awards Committee Report</i>	<i>No report given.</i>	
<i>Children's Advisory Committee (CAC) Report</i>	<p><i>Sup. Steele stated that there was no CAC meeting in July. Sup. Steele addressed that one of the biggest crisis right now was losing beds for level 12 for the kids; a lot of the traditional places for children are closing their doors because the rate have not increased (i.e. Lincoln is closing their level 12 beds); there are crisis with beds in both Foster Care and mentally ill children.</i></p> <p><i>Ms. McInnis related that there will be a support group in Alameda County for parents of kids diagnosed with bipolar and mood disorders. Ms. McInnis is leading it and will start in Sept. It will hold no county boundaries; anyone will be able to come to this support group.</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Majak stated that RFP is now out for the adolescent facility on Fairmont campus previously known as STARS; RFP is due the end of July early August.</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Shimizu would like to see CAC attendance list on the CAC minutes.</i></p>	
<i>Housing Committee Report</i>	<i>No report given.</i>	
<i>Public Awareness Committee (PAC) Report</i>	<i>Mr. Shimizu stated that one of the problems the PAC is having is that it is getting more difficult to have volunteer speakers come to the Speakers Bureau Presentations so the committee was thinking of having a potluck lunch sometime this month to be able to generate more interest in the presentation. Mr. Shimizu stated that they are trying to explore the possibility of collaborating with the CAL State East Bay Institute of Mental Health and Wellness Recovery to look at the outcome of their presentations and they are still trying to find a venue to make a slide presentation to faith community.</i>	
<u>Liaison Committee Report</u>	<i>No report given.</i>	

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<u>Public Comments</u>	<p><i>Ms. Smith stated that it's her 3rd time attending MHB and she finds it really informative, she's learning a lot and expressed her interest to be part of the Budget Committee and MHSA planning group. Ms. Smith made a comment re: Discussion Item B-criminal justice population, she felt that there should be an advocate representative to the proposed committee, to advocate for a person before he gets into the criminal justice system. Ms. Smith addressed that something should be done especially for the youth to help them do the right thing and added that prevention and early intervention is the most important part of the MHSA.</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Attaway & Mr. Shabazz expressed their concern re: Howie Harp Multi-Service Center to have extended hours for the clients.</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Walker responded that eventually Howie Harp will have extended hours depending on funding availability.</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Majak stated that in addition to funding concern, they also want to integrate plans for Howie Harp into the MHSA planning and transformation in downtown Oakland and homeless issues.</i></p>	
<u>Board Comments</u>	<p><i>Ms. Bridges addressed the following concerning the joint meeting between ABMHC and ACMHB: 1) Make sure that ABMHC will be part of the May is Mental Health Month Community Service Awards 2) Hoping that the next joint meeting will be close to BART Station 3) Ensure to keep an ongoing dialogue with ABMHC 4) Hoping that ABMHC members who submitted application to serve on the MHB will be appointed.</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Shimizu stated that he had given Thomas a CD for MHB Training 101, it should be given to new board members or it can be posted to MHB website.</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Hare recommended to board members 2 documents that will give some info. concerning mental health: CA. Little Hoover Commission Report and MacArthur Foundation Report.</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Majak also suggested a document from President New Freedom Commission which is the root of the MHSA.</i></p>	

*Meeting was adjourned @ 2:05PM
Minutes submitted by Agnes F. Catolos*