

Yolo County Local Mental Health Board

January 22, 2009

MINUTES

Members Present: Millie Braunstein, Robert Canning, Martha Flammer, Guille Libresco, Marilyn Moyle, Robert Schelen, Hank Scherer, Marilyn Schwartz

Members Excused: Carolyn Reiff, Helen Thomson, Joanne Welty

Public: Laura Bibelheimer, Caren Livingstone

Staff: Joan Beesley, Christina Hill-Coillot, Karen Serna, Kim Suderman, Carmela Luna, Lana Shramenko, Dee Cunningham

1. **Call to Order and Introductions** – The January 2009 LMHB meeting was called to order at 5:05PM. Introductions were made.

2. **Approval of Agenda -**

Motion by Hank Scherer to accept the agenda as submitted. Second by Guille Libresco. Carried.

3. **Approval of Minutes of November 24, 2008 Meeting -**

Motion by Hank Scherer to accept the minutes as submitted. Second by Robert Canning. Carried.

4. **Announcements and Correspondence** – none

5. **MHSA PEI Public Hearing** – Spanish and Russian interpreters present. No written comments were submitted at this time. Joan Beesley reported that she received a letter from CommuniCare Health Center. No public comment, the hearing is closed. There were no comments from late arrivals.

6. **LMHB Chair Report** – Thank you to Joan Beesley and staff for all of their work in completing the plan.

Motion by Hank Scherer to send approval of the plan to the Board of Supervisors. Second by Robert Canning. Carried. Two abstentions, five votes in support.

\$4,000 was received from YCPARMIA in support of CIT. Twenty-three hour crisis goes hand in hand with CIT.

The LMHB is seeking new board members who will attend meetings and be willing to stick with the process. Board members whose term end this month will need to contact their Supervisors and let them know if they are interested in continuing on the LMHB. Caren Livingstone noted that she has submitted an application for board membership.

7. **Board of Supervisors Report** – Laura Bibelheimer distributed copies of “Proposition 63, A Review: The Premise and the Promise to Voters” and “Navigating the Currents: A guide to California’s Public Mental Health System”.

8. **Directors Report** – There is major concern with the State looking at MHSA monies. This could become a breach of contract between the state and county mental health. Process is moving quickly. Contract your legislatures and let them know how it would affect Yolo County MHSA.

Motion to delegate the job of writing and sending a letter to the appropriate people in Sacramento. Second by Robert Canning. Carried. Martha Flammer, Robert Schelen will assist Marilyn Moyle in drafting a letter regarding MHSA funds.

We are finishing the draft for CSS plan update. Kim Suderman will check to see if a public hearing is needed.

The budget is tight and no expansion is expected. In an effort to help General Fund and ADMH, the County has mandated a thirty-two hour furlough for all employees. We will look at alternative services and additional ways of increasing revenue where ever possible without losing staff.

Caren Livingstone spoke of the need for assistance in getting clients from Davis to the Wellness Center in Woodland. Contact Joanie Turner at the Wellness Center if you are interested in helping with client transportation.

9. **Legislative Report** – Per Martha Flammer, Prop 63 monies are diminishing and what the State wants to do would be going against what California voters decided. People receiving SSI may only receive the federal share.
10. **Adjournment and Next Meeting** – The January 2009 LMHB meeting was adjourned at 6:36PM. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 23, 2009 in Woodland.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Serna