



Mental Health Board

For MARIPOSA COUNTY

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Meeting Minutes

October 3, 2013

12:00 – 1:30 P.M.

Members Present: Lisa Carisio, Lori Ritter, Julia Crespi, Ruth Catalan, Ronika Johnson

Members Excused: Janet Bibby, Jeremy Briese, Meghan Kehoe

Members Absent: Jennifer Gamble

Guests: Dale Silverman

Quorum: Yes

Director: Jim Rydingsword

Deputy Director: John Lawless

Staff: Ann Conrad, Social Worker Supervisor II
Donna Shimer, Recording Secretary

I. Meeting was called to order at 12 p.m. by Lisa Carisio, Chair

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

Donna handed the Advisory Board a copy of the Department of Health Care Services Contract to review and discuss at next months meeting.

II. Approval of Minutes: (September 5, 2013) Lori Ritter made a motion to approve the September 5, 2013 meeting minutes. Lisa Carisio seconded the motion, motion was approved.

III. Reports:

A. Director (Jim Rydingsword): N/A

B. Deputy Director (John Lawless): (Ann Conrad in for John Lawless): Ann informed the advisory board that John Lawless was appointed as interim Director of Mariposa County Human Service at the Tuesday Board of Supervisors meeting, due to Jim Rydingsword will be leaving the position of Director of Mariposa County Human Services to peruse a position in San Benito as the Health and Human Services Director. Jim Rydingsword is still the director until October 11, 2013, and John Lawless in-term appointment will begin on October 15, 2013. He will hold this position until a new director is hired. The Board of Supervisors will read a resolution for Jim Rydingsword at their October 8, 2013 board meeting. Ann also informed the advisory that they are currently working on a plan of correction for the Medi-cal audit. It will be completed by October 30. She explained in detail the findings of the Medi-cal audit and how they are working on correcting going forward. She stated that Medi-cal also wanted the MHSA three year plan, and that they are also working on that. Lori asked Ann if there was any update regarding the Mental Health Wellness Act of 2013, Senate Bill 82. Ann stated that they are still moving ahead with this and that they did meet on September 13, 2013 as Jim stated they were at last months meeting, but she didn't know the outcome.

C. Social Worker Supervisor I (Angela Phillips): N/A

D. Board Chair (Lisa Carisio): Lisa welcomed the two new members to the Mental Health Advisory Board, Ruth Catalan and Jennifer Gamble. She also asked that on the November agenda the board discuss changing the January 2, 2014 to the following Thursday, January 9, 2014 due to people may still be on holiday vacations

E. Financial Report (Pat/Cindy): The Advisory Board received the July Fiscal report and the Monthly Tracking report. Cindy Larca and Pat Kuhlman were unable to attend the meeting, Donna Shimer informed the Advisory Board that if they had any questions to please ask them at next months meeting.

IV. Old Business:

A. MHSA Three Year Plan-Public comments and discussion: Donna informed the advisory board that the clarification that Lori Ritter asked for at the September 5, 2013 meeting in regards to Girls talk, Boys Rock section, where it states "One of the issues we are facing with PEI funds is reversion. Some of our funding was not spent in a timely manner and will revert to the state for redistribution. We are planning to use Medi-cal reimbursement and realignment to make up for any shortages in this program, thus avoiding reduction in staff or services." has been corrected. A public hearing is scheduled for November 7, 2013 at the Mental Health Advisory Board meeting.

V. New Business:

A. Reappointment of Janet Bibby: Ruth Catalan made a motion to appoint Janet for another three year term on the Mental Health Advisory Board, Lori Ritter seconded the motion, and motion was approved. Donna will submit to the Board of Supervisors.

VI. Committees Meet/ Report (time Permitting)

Suicide: [Lori Ritter, Janet Bibby, Jeremy Briese]- Lori Ritter informed the advisory board that the Natural Helpers Group, which is 21 students, were trained in Mental Health Youth First Aid and Suicide prevention. They learned a lot and they were great trainings.

Homeless: [Lisa Carisio, Meghan Kehoe] - Lisa Carisio reported to the advisory board that at the Mariposa County Business Association meeting this morning there was a discussion regarding the homeless in Mariposa. The Grand Jury is going to be analyzing and a report on the homelessness issue. There were two representatives from the grand jury who were asking for letters and feedback to help with their report that they will be presenting to the Board of Supervisors. Businesses were discussing how the homeless are affecting the tourism Business. The Advisory Board discussed this further.

Recruitment: [Lisa Carisio, Lori Ritter] - Lisa talked about presenting at the Presentation for the Affordable Act that Jim discussed at last months meeting to recruit more members for the Mental Health Advisory Board, but hasn't heard anything. Wanted to know if JCF has taken is over due to flyer's she has been seeing around town. A Guest, Dale Silverman had stated that she is a member of three community clubs in the Coulterville area and hasn't seen any recruitment letter form the Advisory Board. Donna said that she will make sure she gets one to take to the community clubs.

VI. Adjournment: Ruth Catalan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:12pm, Ronika Johnson seconded the motion, motion passed.

Reminder: The next meeting will be held on **November 7, 2013** at the Mariposa County Human Services Mariposa Room from 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Submitted,

Donna Shimer

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APPROVED