January 8, 2015
Meeting Minutes
12:00 – 1:30 P.M.

Members Present: Ruth Catalan, Lisa Carisio, Colleen Duncan, Bill Root, Jennifer Gamble, Sterling Cramer, Ron Schmidt, Clarence Tedrow, Linda Brow

Members Excused: Paul Perry, Lori Ritter

Members Absent: Miranda Adams, Avery Moore

Guest:

Quorum: Yes

Director: Chevon Kothari

Deputy Director: Michael Bishop

Staff: Angela Phillips, Social Worker Supervisor I
      Donna Shimer, Recording Secretary

I. Meeting was called to order at 12:01 pm by Ruth Catalan, Chair

   Public Comments:

II. Approval of Minutes: Clarence Tedrow stated that there needs to be a correction on section 5, item B, it needs to read 7:30 am to 5:30 pm, not 7:30pm to 5:30am. Clarence Tedrow made a motion to approve the December 4, 2014 meeting minutes with the correction, Jennifer Gamble seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

III. Reports:
A. Director (Chevon Kothari)

- EQRO Review (External Quality Review Organization) – Chevon reported to the Advisory Board that the EQRO Review went well and once she receives the report she will share it with the Advisory Board.
- Medi-Cal Billing Training - Chevon discussed in detail about the recent Medi-Cal Billing training that staff attended and that they are currently working on polices for billing to make sure that everything Behavioral Health is doing is being billed to Medi-Cal.
- Section 8 Vouchers – Chevon informed the Advisory Board that Section 8 Vouchers application list will be open for one week, January 20-27. She explained in detail the process and how clients can get on the list and how they will receive the applications. She also informed the Advisory Board that if clients need help filling out the applications, we will have staff on hand to help them out.
- Central Sierra Continuum of Care – Chevon informed the Advisory Board that Human Services is in the process of applying for this funding, and explained in detail what the grant was and how it will be used here at Human Services.
- Point and Time Count (Homeless in Mariposa) – Chevon informed the Advisory Board that Behavioral Health will be having a point and time count on January 28 and 29, and explained what they would be doing.
- Transportation for Clients – Chevon informed the Advisory Board that Human Services has an agreement with Meri-Go for transportation for Human Services Clients. The Advisory Board discussed this in length.
- New Position – Chevon informed the Advisory Board that Human Services has hired a Behavioral Health Analysis. She explained in detail what this person would be doing.

B. Deputy Director (Michael Bishop) N/A

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

D. Board Chair (Ruth Catalan) Ruth wished everyone a Happy New year and was grateful for all the members on the Advisory Board.

E. Financial Report (Pat Kuhlman) Pat went over the NHSA Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Medi-Cal Revenue Report and the MHSA Year 2014-2014 Monthly Tracking Report. She also reviewed the Mental Health Board Budget Reconciliation Report for 2014-2015 fiscal Year. Pat asked the Advisory Board if they would like to increase the budget another $500. After a discussion on the topic, Lisa Carisio made a motion to increase the current Mental Health Board budget from $500 to $1000. Ron Schmidt seconded the motion and the motion passed. Pat will note the increase on next month’s fiscal report. Donna Shimer was asked to put this item, on the March meeting agenda.
IV. Old Business:
   A. Triage/ Crisis: Chevon reported to the Advisory Board that things are going good. The three person team is working great.
   B. ROAD House RFP: Chevon informed the Advisory Board that she has asked Heather Bernikoff to write the policy. She also explained in detail with the Advisory Board the RFP process. She also asked the ROAD House Committee if they would like to meeting after next month’s Mental Health Board Meeting. The committee agreed to meet before the February Meeting. They would like to meet in end of this month.
   C. MHSA Innovation: Chevon discussed this in length with the Advisory Board and informed them that they would start this process in March – April of this year. Donna Shimer was asked to put this on the March agenda.

V. New Business:
   A. Mental Health Awareness Month – May: Chevon and the Advisory Board discussed this in length as to what they would like to do for the Month of May. Some of the suggestions were that the Stigma Video be played again, Have an article in the paper, have another Resource Fair, and have a Proclamation from the Board of Supervisors.

VI. Committee Report:
   A. Suicide: N/A
   B. Homeless: N/A
   C. Recruitment: N/A
   D. ROAD House: N/A

VII. Adjournment: Lisa Carisio made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:49pm, Jennifer Gamble seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Reminder: The next meeting will be held on February 5, 2015 at the Mariposa County Human Services Mariposa Room from 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Submitted,

Donna Shimer

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