

Mental Health Board

For MARIPOSA COUNTY Post Office Box 99 Mariposa, California 95338 (209) 966-2000

November 6, 2014 Meeting Minutes 12:00 – 1:30 P.M.

Members Present: Colleen Duncan, Paul Perry, Lori Ritter, Avery Moore,

Miranda Adams, Clarence Tedrow, Linda Brown, Bill Root,

Lisa Carisio, Ron Schmidt

Members Excused: Ruth Catalan, Janet Bibby, Sterling Cramer

Members Absent: Jennifer Gamble

Guest: Monique Beaudoin, Dale Duncan, Blair Chenoweth

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 12:08 pm by acting chair Paul Perry. Ron Schmidt made a motion to appoint Paul Perry to fill in as chair in Ruth Catalan and Lisa Carisios' absents. Clarence Tedrow seconded, motion was passed

Public Comments:

II. Approval of Minutes: Clarence Tedrow made a motion to approve the October 2, 2014 meeting minutes. Lori Ritter seconded the motion, the motion passed.

III. Reports:

A. Director (Chevon Kothari)

- Chevon introduced the new Deputy Director of Behavioral Health, Michael Bishop to the Advisory Board.
- **Crisis Triage** Chevon informed the Advisory Board that the triage team has started and that Angela will be informing the

- Advisory Board of what's been going on and introducing the team.
- **Community Resource Fair** Chevon informed that Advisory Board that there is a resource fair being held today from 3pm-5pm at the Methodist Church.
- **Upcoming Trainings** Chevon handed out information on two upcoming trainings. There will be a NAMI Training being held by the Culture Competence Committee on Wednesday November 12, 2014 and there will be a Depression and suicide training on Thursday December 4 and Friday December 5. Both trainings will be held here at Human Services.
- Homeless Strategic Planning Process- Chevon informed the Advisory Board that she will be holding a stakeholders on the Homelessness Planning Process. The meeting will be held on Monday November 24 from 11am-3pm at St. Joseph's church.
- Winter Day Shelter- Chevon informed the Advisory Board that she will be presenting a contract with Alliance for Community Transferrin's to the Board of Supervisors for approval on Wednesday November 12, 2014. The contract is to open a winter day shelter for people during the days that there are no shelters open.
- Section 8- Chevon updated the Advisory Board on the status of the Section 8 vouchers. Waiting list should be open within the next week and that there are 36-44 vouchers available.
- Transportation Chevon handed out information on the Mari-Go transit for Mariposa County. She informed the Advisory Board that currently Behavioral Health pays for clients to use the local transportation for their appointments and any shopping that they need to do.
- **EQRO** Chevon informed the Advisory Board that EQRO will be here for their audit on Thursday December 11, 2014.
- Medi-Cal Billing- Chevon informed the Advisory Board that in December Staff will be attending a training on Medi-Cal billing procedures. This training will inform staff and train them on what they can bill Medi-Cal for and what they cannot.
- New Positions- Chevon informed the Advisory Board that the Position for Mental Health Supervisor has now closed. Interviews for the Analysis will be next week. They will be posting positions for Clinicians and Case Managers in the following weeks. Behavioral Health is in need of clinicians due to Bonnie Henderson Leaving and Sharon Whitefawn moving to the triage team.
- Fresno State- Chevon informed the Advisory Board that she had a meeting with Fresno State on an innovation Project. Behavioral Health is going to start having Adult Team Meetings for clients that have a lot of hospitalizations, are going to lose their housing do to their mental health issues, etc. Behavioral Health currently does these types of meetings for

- children in the Wraparound and Children Systems of Care programs with great success. She went into great detail about this new project with the Advisory Board.
- School District- Chevon discussed in length with the Advisory Board that Behavioral Health will be partnering up with the school district to have training on trauma and how it effects of the brain of children and also extending school counseling time for children with mental health needs. She will be updating the Advisory Board in the next few months on Possible using Prevention Early Intervention funds to help with this.
- **B. Deputy Director (Michael Bishop)** Michael introduced himself and informed the Advisory Board that he previously worked at Human Services as a supervisor clinician and other projects he was involved in prior to apply for Deputy Director position.

C. Social Worker Supervisor I (Angela Phillips)

- Triage Team (Sharon Whitefawn, Bobbi DuPertuis and Elli Rivera) Angela discussed in length about the Triage team. She had each team member introduce themselves and had them inform the advisory Board their positions on the team and what they see themselves doing in the long term for the team.
- D. Board Chair (Ruth Catalan) N/A
- **E. Financial Report (Pat Kuhlman)** Pat went over the MHSA Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Medi-Cal Revenue report and the MHSA Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Monthly Tracking Report

IV. Old Business:

- **A.** MH Advisory Board Budget Pat will be reporting on this during her financial report starting next month. Along with using these funds for travel to the meetings the Advisory Board was asked what else they would like to use these funds for. Lori Ritter stated that she would like to use them for supplies for the Butterfly Festival.
- **B.** Wellness Center Contract/Stakeholders Input- Chevon discussed with the Advisory Board that on November 25, 2014 there will be a Public Stakeholders Process at the Board of Supervisors. She asked the Advisory Board if they had any additional input regarding the Wellness Center. The Advisory Board agreed with moving forward with no additional input at this time.

V. New Business:

A. January 1st Meeting – Donna Shimer informed the Advisory Board that the January Meeting is January 1, 2015, which is a Holiday. The Advisory Board needs to decide if they want to have the meeting the following Thursday, January 8, 2015 or to cancel Januarys meeting altogether. Lisa Carisio made a motion to have the January Meeting on January 8, 2015. Lori Ritter seconded the motion, the motion was passed.

VI. Committee Report:

A. Suicide: N/A

- **B. Homeless:** Lisa Carisio reported that she hasn't heard anything from the business community.
- C. Recruitment: N/A
- **D. ROAD House:** Linda Brown reported that the ROAD House committee has been discussing the upcoming process of having a non-profit take over the ROAD House and where they are going. Also the needs of the ROAD House.
- VII. Adjournment: Paul Perry suggested that at the December meeting the Advisory Board have a pot Luck. There was no official motion made on this. Lori Ritter made a motion to Adjourn the meeting at 1:22 pm, Linda Brown seconded the motion, and the motion was passed

VIII.

Reminder: The next meeting will be held on **December 4, 2014** at the Mariposa County Human Services Mariposa Room from 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Submitted.

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