

# COUNTY OF SAN MATEO MENTAL HEALTH & SUBSTANCE ABUSE RECOVERY COMMISSION

# Unadopted Minutes Wednesday, June 1, 2016 225 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Room 100 San Mateo

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Patricia Way, Edmund Bridges, Judy Schutzman, Josephine Thompson, Carol Marble

**STAFF:** Stephen Kaplan, Chantae Rochester, Randy Torrijos, Jei Africa, Colin Hart, Karen Krahn, Linford Gayle

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Rodney Roddewig, Rocio Cornejo, Betty Savin, Debbra Yammaguchi, Patrisha Ragins, Eric Wollman

**OTHERS PRESENT (signed in):** Mark Christian, Dorothy Christian, Karen Gianuario, Sapna Patel, Christopher Hoover, Erica Horn, Jennifer McAbee, Albert Pignatan, Marilyn Pearson, Bruce Adams, Doris Brown

# CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m.

# **INTRODUCTIONS**

# APPROVAL OF TODAY'S AGENDA

► M/S/C Way/Schutzman

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of minutes from the May 4, 2016 Mental Health & Substance Abuse Recovery Commission Meeting:

► M/S/C Schutzman/Marble
Approval of minutes from the May 17, 2016 Executive Committee Meeting
► M/S/C Schutzman/Marble

# Program Presentation

Parent Project Presented by Jei Africa, Director, Office of Diversity and Equity Behavioral Health and Recovery Services

**Old Business** 

#### **New Business**

**Correspondence, Announcements, and Public Comment** 

# **STANDING COMMITTEES**

#### A. Committee for Older Adults Judy Schutzman reported

- **1.** Minutes attached.
- 2. Next meeting will be held on July 6, 2016 at 12:00 p.m.

# B. Committee for Adults Josephine Thompson reported

- 1. Minutes attached.
- **2.** Next meeting will be held on July 20, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. 2000 Alameda de las Pulgas, Room 209, San Mateo

# C. Committee for Children & Youth Reported by Betty Savin

- **1.** Minutes attached
- **2.** Next meeting will be held on July 20, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. 2000 Alameda de las Pulgas, conference room 201, San Mateo

# **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

# No Interest/No Principal Loans

The Board of Supervisors (BOS) approved a recommendation to provide no interest, no principal loans to 5 substance use residential treatment providers. For most, this eliminates any mortgage liability that they have on their existing properties. For another provider it eliminates a substantial portion of their mortgage liability. As long as these providers maintain these residences for the purposes of providing care, the provisions of the loan will hold. After 30 years the properties would be free and clear to the providers. The total package was approximately \$5,000,000.00. It also includes some immediate repairs to some of the facilities.

# Serenity House

We are moving along. We will get a bid from the contractor in a week. If all goes well we expect to begin renovations by the end of the month. We are still on track for a November opening.

We submitted a proposal to the California Health Facilities Finance Administration and it was approved for approximately \$967,000.00, those funds will go towards the renovation.

# CIT

We graduated another class last week.

**Tobacco Prevention** 

Starting in July, the Tobacco Prevention unit (which currently sits in Family Health) will move over to Behavioral Health. The transition is happening now. This will create some really good opportunities. Their commission was citing statistics about how smoking in San Mateo County's adult population is down 18%, of that 18% a significant number of smokers are people with mental health/substance use issues and I think we have an opportunity here to address a real concern.

With the marijuana initiative that will likely be on the November ballot we are trying to anticipate some work that we want to do around prevention, targeting young people. The tobacco folks were worried about this too so we have an opportunity to merge some those interests.

The way we are going to try to leverage some of the work that has been done in the community by the tobacco folks as well as our prevention work is to bring under one manager (the manager who is currently at Tobacco) she will have responsibility for all of the prevention activities around substance use and mental health issues.

#### Cordilleras

We are still moving forward. We are moving towards the phase of selection of the design build entity. The Department of Public Works (DPW) manages that process. We are pretty much on schedule.

#### **Correctional Health**

I mentioned last month that Correctional Health has the go ahead to establish mental health pods inside the jail. They are in the process of filling positions with the projection to open the early part of the summer.

#### No Place Like Home

No Place Like Home is former Senator Steinberg's Initiative to use MHSA funding to finance the debt service on a \$2 billion bond. It is now part of the Governor's budget as a trailer bill. It shrinks the amount of time that there is actual public comment on this.

There's concern that it is competitive and all counties will have MHSA money taken to go into the fund and counties will compete to use the funds to provide housing for the homeless.

#### Laura's Law

Things are moving forward. Terry and his staff went to Orange County to spend a couple of days talking to staff who has been implementing it there for a couple of years. We'll make some adjustments to our process based on what the team learned.

We should be going to the BOS with a contract for the services part in June and then we'll begin to do a little more community outreach and education and start to receive referrals in late June or early July.

# Liaison, Task Force and Ad Hoc Committees:

Meeting Adjourned:

**Next MHSARC Meeting:** 

July 6, 2016 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. Health Services Building 225 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Room 100, San Mateo

**Next Executive Committee Meeting:** 

Tuesday, July 19, 2016, at 3:30 p.m. 225 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue, BHRS Conference Room San Mateo

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