

San Joaquin County Behavioral Health Board
Minutes

Members Present

Nancy Chastain, Chairperson
Cary Martin
Karen Ivy
Tosh Saruwatari
Joseph Dittmann
Mike Corsaro
Ingrid Oliver
Frances Hernandez
Tasso Kandris
Vaunita Duval

Members Excused/Absent

Alissa Douma-Absent
Daphne Shaw-Excused

Also Present

Frances Hutchins, BHS Assistant Director
Greg Diederich, Health Care Services Director
Doris Cody, Board Secretary
Jacqui Coulter, Deputy Director, BHS/Children
and Youth Services
Cindy Morishige, Deputy Director,
BHS/Adult/Older Adult Services
Donna Cassettari, Chief Mental Health Clinician,
BHS/Children and Youth Services

Guests

Suzanne Schultz, SJC District Attorney Office.
Kayce Rane, Consultant
Myrna Leon

I. Call to Order

The Behavioral Health Board meeting was convened on Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at Behavioral Health Service located at 1212 N. California St., Conference Room B, Stockton, CA. Chairperson Nancy Chastain called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance.

II. Roll Call

Roll call was taken by the Board Secretary. A quorum was in attendance at this meeting.

III. Introductions

Chairperson Nancy Chastain led self-introductions among board members and the public audience present at this meeting.

IV. Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Chairperson Nancy Chastain to approve the minutes. The motion was moved by Cary Martin and seconded by Tosh Saruwatari to approve the minutes of November 17, 2016 and December 21, 2016 as presented. No discussion. Motion carried.

V. Public Comment

- a. Myrna Leon voiced her concerns regarding Mobile Crisis Support Team stating that she was told that it would take a week for the Team to respond and evaluate a family member that stopped taking their medication. Ms. Leon stated "Laura's Law" in this county would benefit her family member and wanted to know the status of Laura's Law in San Joaquin County. Frances Hutchins, Assistant BHS Director, stated that Behavioral Health Services offered a Laura's Law alternative program called InSPIRE that may benefit her family member. Deputy Director, Cindy Morishige was in attendance at this meeting and provided her contact information to Ms. Leon so she could obtain more information about InSPIRE. A BHB member reported that sometimes the Mobile Crisis Support Team does not respond to the community in a timely manner. Ms. Hutchins stated that she will look into this.

VI. New Business

- a. Presentations:
 - Suzanne Schultz, Project Director, San Joaquin County Family Justice Center and Donna Cassettari, Chief Mental Health Clinician, CYS. Ms. Schultz presented "Is your Soul for Sale?" The presentation is a portion of an Education and Outreach program for the San Joaquin County Human Trafficking Task Force. She discussed the following:
 - Definition of human trafficking
 - Recruitment of human trafficking victims
 - Signs to identify victims of sex trafficking
 - "Safe Place" provides access to immediate help with supportive resources for youth in need, for example, RTD buses (Rapid Transit District) in Stockton. If a person needs help, they can speak to the bus driver who will get them to a safe place.
 - Donna's presentation discussed the County's multi-disciplinary approach to treat a person suffering with trauma resulting from human trafficking. Ms. Schultz and Ms. Cassettari briefly answered questions and their presentations were well received.
- b. Kayce Rane, Planning Consultant, discussed two major initiatives:
 - Ms. Rane is seeking input and guidance for the 2017-2020 Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan, that can incorporate best practices and lessons learned from the past ten years.
 - Ms. Rane discussed the Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Act (Proposition 47). Prop. 47 provides competitive grant funding (1 million - \$6 million for 38 months) to expand mental health services and substance use disorder treatment services for individuals involved in the criminal justice system. The grant application is due by 2/21/17.
 - Community planning meetings are scheduled on 1/26/17 at Behavioral Health Services and 2/9/17 at Public Health Services.
 - Ms. Rane discussed the formation of a Prop 47 Local Advisory Committee (LAC) that will meet weekly in January and February on Wednesdays at BHS from 2:00 – 3:00pm.

VII. Old Business

- a. The Nominating Committee (Tosh, Daphne, Nancy and Cary) announced the nominees for Chair and Vice-Chair of the BHB. The Committee nominated Nancy Chastain as Chair and Joseph Dittmann as Vice-chair. The nominees accepted the positions, no other nominations were made and nominations were closed. Chairperson Chastain requested a motion to accept the nomination; a motion was made by Cary Martin and seconded by Karen Ivy to accept the nominations. The motion was approved unanimously. Motion carried.

VIII. Director's Report

- a. Frances Hutchins, Assistant BHS Director, gave a brief report on the following items:
 - Ms. Hutchins stated that Jim Garrett is attending the Stepping Up Initiative and could not be in attendance at this meeting.
 - Ms. Hutchins stated that Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) completion is near and ready to open the first week in February. She also stated that an open house will be held prior to opening.
 - A Request for Proposal (RFP) for additional inpatient beds to be located within San Joaquin County will be released soon.
 - AB403, Foster Youth: Continuum of Care Reform in being implemented by the County's Human Services Agency in collaboration with BHS/Children & Youth Services (CYS).
 - Upgrade of Echo (ShareCare system), an 18 month project, is currently underway.
 - Due to the closures of board and care homes in San Joaquin County, BHS staff is having difficulties placing consumers.
 - Tracy Clinic is scheduled to move into their new location at the end of January and will open for business in February.

IX. Committee Reports

- a. Executive Committee – Nancy Chastain reported the committee members met and discussed agenda items for BHB meeting in January.
- b. Legislative Report – No report
- c. Children's Committee – No report
- d. Grievance Committee – No report, Tasso Kandris has volunteered to be on this committee
- e. Housing Committee – No report
- f. Substance Abuse Disorder Committee – No report

X. Adjourn: 8:15p.m.