

**MINUTES**  
**Behavioral Health Commission Executive Session**  
**September 1, 2011**  
10:00 a.m. – 11:45 p.m.

**Members Present:** Susan McGee-Stehsel, Gabriel Gonzales, Veatrice Jews, Bill Swift, Monica Alonso, Jane Godager, Tanya Perry, Tom Rivera, Roberto Casas, May Farr and Monica Wilson

**Absent:** Michael Hill, Chris Massa and Jane Mercer

**Guests:** Beverly Scott, Allan Rawland, Debi Pasco, and Betty Schneider

**Call to Order**

Secretary Tanya Perry called the Executive Session to order at 10:10 a.m.

**Brown Act Training**

Secretary Tanya Perry welcomed Bart Brizee, Principal Assistant County Counsel. Mr. Brizee provided a brief training until 11:20 a.m.

**Approval of Agenda and Minutes**

The agenda for this meeting and July 2011 minutes were approved and accepted as written.

**Commissioners' Report**

Chairperson Susan McGee-Stehsel asked each Commissioner to identify the topic they will discuss in the afternoon session.

**Directors Report**

**NACo Awards**

Director Rawland announced that the Department of Behavioral Health received six NACo Awards. Most of the awards are recognition of the Prop 63 (MHSA) programs. Below are the awards received:

- Coalition Against Sexual Exploitation (INN-CASE)
- Customer, Assistance and Resource Experience (CARE) Desk
- Forensic Assertive Community Treatment Program (FACT)
- Performance Indicators Dashboard Project
- Project First Steps
- Project Journey House Housing Program

**PEI Statewide Projects**

Director Rawland stated that the contracts for the Statewide PEI Projects are almost finalized. DBH staff will work closely with statewide providers for social marketing to reduce stigma and discrimination. In the near future he would like to schedule a report to the commission on how the County of San Bernardino will benefit from the Statewide Projects.

**AB100**

Director Rawland discussed how AB100 impacted MHSA Annual Update approval process and elimination of the State Department of Mental Health. He is concerned about the ability to be able to spend the money that we've already received based on the plan that was developed last spring.

Public Comment

No comments were made at this time.

Calendar of Events

Debi Pasco, Clerk of the Commission asked which of the following upcoming events they would like to attend. They are listed as follows:

- Third Annual Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration, October 7, 2011 at the San Bernardino Hilton – Attendees include: May Farr, Tom Rivera, Chris Massa, Monica Wilson, Susan McGee-Stehsel, Veatrice Jews
- Cultural Competence Mental Health Southern Region Summit, November 2-3, 2011 at the Ontario Convention Center – Attendees include:
  - May Farr
  - Veatrice Jews
  - Susan McGee-Stehsel
  - Jane Godager
  - Tom Rivera
  - Monica Wilson
  - Monica Alonso
  - Tanya Perry
  - Chris Massa
  - Gabriel
  
- NAMI Walk October 29, 2011 at Diamond Valley Lake in Hemet.

Commissioner Farr has a list of dates for various meetings. We will get the list from her and send to the commission.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

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Betty Schneider  
Recorder

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Susan McGee-Stehsel  
Chairperson