

**San Bernardino County
Behavioral Health Commission
Executive Session
October 1, 2015
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

Members Present: Jennifer Spence-Carpenter, May Farr, Susan McGee-Stehsel, Troy Mondragon, Christopher Massa, Michael Grabhorn, Veatrice Jews, Akin Merino, Ed O' Brien, David Caine

Excused Absences: Monica Wilson, Jane Ann Godager

Absent: Catherine Inscore

Guests: Debi Pasco, Jessica Guzman, Andrew Gruchy, Sarah Eberhardt-Rios, Beverly Scott, Andrea Beler, Ruweyda Deeq, Carmen Garcia, Candice Martinez, Evelyne Atiabet, Grace Navarro-Reyes, Florens Limbang, Narlin Cruz

CALL TO ORDER and SELF INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Susan McGee-Stehsel called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Tab 1: Review Minutes from July 2, 2015.

APPROVED

Motion/Second: Troy Mandragon/Christopher Massa

AYES: Ed O'Brien, Jennifer Spence-Carpenter, Veatrice Jews, Troy Mondragon, May Farr, Susan McGee-Stehsel, Michael Grabhorn, Christopher Massa, Akin Merino

ABSTAIN: David Caine

ABSENT: Catherine Inscore, Monica Wilson, Jane Ann Godager

Tab 2: Review Minutes from September 3, 2015.

APPROVED

Motion/Second: Michael Grabhorn/May Farr

AYES: Michael Grabhorn, Christopher Massa, Ed O'Brien, Veatrice Jews, Troy Mondragon, Susan McGee-Stehsel, Jennifer Spence-Carpenter, May Farr, Akin Merino

ABSTAIN: David Caine

ABSENT: Catherine Inscore, Monica Wilson, Jane Ann Godager

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chair Susan McGee-Stehsel announced the upcoming Behavioral Health Commission Wellness Triathlon events. She also stated anyone is welcome to participate in events that are on the calendar.

- 10/10/15- Bowling
- 11/07/15- NAMIWalks
- 12/01/15- Talent and Awards Night

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioners gave a brief summary of their reports for the afternoon session.

Tab 3: Commissioner Ed O' Brien presented Mental Health Boards 101, which outlined the duties and responsibilities of the Commission. He offered suggestions on how we can achieve success as a Board.

- Communicate to the broader public
- Focus action around particular goals
- Focus meetings around particular issues we wish to report

It was suggested to set aside a day to go over goals and objectives to be able to move forward in an organized fashion.

May Farr attended the Recovery Happens event on October 19, 2015. She will be providing a flyer to Debi Pasco regarding the 24th Annual Miles Conference.

David Caine introduced himself, and mentioned he is interested in behavioral health services provided to those in the criminal justice system. He is also seeking information on where to direct individuals as well as family members who are in need of behavioral health resources and services.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Beverly Scott inquired on the number of clients in San Bernardino County receiving Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) services. She also wanted to know what inpatient services are offered at the High Desert Medical Center. Deputy Director Andrew Gruchy stated he will gather more information and get back with her.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Deputy Director Andrew Gruchy was present on behalf of Director CaSonya Thomas. He congratulated Michael Grabhorn for being recognized as the Prevention Advocate of the Year.

Andrew Gruchy gave a brief over view of the following documents;

Tab 5: Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System Waiver Approval

Tab 6: County Achievements in Continued Implementation of SB 82-Investment in Mental Health Wellness Act of 2013

SB 82: Investment in Mental Health Wellness Act of 2013 was enacted to expand the capacity of specialty mental health services, including both capital outlay and designated personnel funding to address triage and crisis service needs. Two competitive grant programs were created.

- CA Health Facilities and Financing Authority (CHFFA) administers the capital outlay function of the ACT.
 - To date, San Bernardino County has been successful in receiving \$7 million in grant funding for two Crisis Residential Treatment (CRT) centers; one will be located in San Bernardino and the other will be located in the High Desert.
 - DBH has submitted an application for another round of CHFFA funding to construct a CRT in the West Valley region as well as Crisis Stabilization Unit.
- Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) oversees the triage personnel grants. San Bernardino County received a little over \$7 million to fund 25 additional triage staff.

ADJOURNMENT: Today's meeting adjourned at 11:51 a.m.

Susan McGee-Stehsel
Chair Person

Jessica Guzman, OAIll
Recorder