



# COUNTY OF YOLO

Health and Human Services Agency

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## Local Mental Health Board Meeting Minutes

**Monday, February 24, 2020**

Mary L Stephens Library, Blanchard Community Conference Room,  
315 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Davis CA 95616

**Members Present:** Aleecia Gutierrez, Rachel Warren, Brad Anderson, Robert Schelen, Antonia Tsobanoudis, Nicki King, John Archuleta, Richard Bellows, Serena Durand, Carol Christensen

**Members Absent:** Supervisor Don Saylor, Jonathan Raven, Maria Simas, Supervisor Jim Provenza, Dr. Xiaolong Li

**Staff Present:** Karen Larsen, Mental Health Director, HHSA Director  
Leigh Harrington, HHSA Medical Director

### CALL TO ORDER

**1. Welcome and Introductions:** The February 24, 2020 meeting of the Local Mental Health Board was called to order at 6:03 PM in Davis. Introductions were made.

**2. Public Comment:**

- Relative of a previous Pine Tree Gardens West resident expresses concerns that the resident was using the main bathroom, there was no rail and the resident fell and broke her leg. States she visited resident in hospital and noted she wasn't coherent enough to understand instructions given by the hospital to not bear weight and she caused permanent injury to her leg and will return to Pine Tree Gardens West and will struggle to be able to climb the stairs and navigate without proper assistive devices. She requests that the house modifications for Pine Tree Gardens include ADA Compliance so that this will not have to another resident.

**Approval of Agenda:** Moved by Carol and 2<sup>nd</sup> Brad

**Approval Minutes:** Minutes approved with the following amendment: Robert requests that NAMI be capitalized and that the typo on page 3 be corrected.

**3. Member Announcements:**

- Brad wanted to relay that the Pat Williams dinner was one of the best dinners he had attended and that he was impressed by all the awards she had received from Congress & State Senate and he enjoyed the happy stories.
- Antonia states that she and John attended the Brown Act training and learned a lot, found it helpful.
- Brad states he would be interested in attending another Brown Act Training for a refresher

**4. Correspondence:** None

**5. Time Set Agenda:** CONSENT AGENDA

- a. **Presentation:** Mental Health Services Act 3-year Plan

**6. Mental Health Director's Report** by Karen Larsen, Mental Health Director, HHSA

- a. County Strategic Plan

- b. EQRO

- Comes in every year and tell you what you are doing well and what could be improved in quality; access timeliness. They meet with our staff, community members, family, clients, caregivers and stakeholders. It went well, and Karen will share report when it comes in. Focused ion needs to invest in IT which is pretty much their focus every year.

- c. Child, Youth, Family Branch Director

- d. Mental Health Diversion Training

- e. Sequential Intercept Map (SIM)

- f. Davis Navigation Center

- g. Pine Tree Gardens

- Brad sounds like PTG continues to be brought up because we aren't at a place where we can let it be. Karen states county has invested money to bring the building up to snuff, Save Pine Tree Gardens people are working with operators to figure what the need is on their side to meet licensing requirements, working with legislators to draw down money to work with Board and Care. Today Karen testified in front of Senate about Board and Cares and need to invest more money.
- Nicki want to know if there will be some effort made to require of Turning Point that the house not be sold and remain. Karen states she has it included in the sustainability plan. We are putting up the money and the county will put a lean on the homes that states they must remain board and care homes for a set amount of years.

- h. Adult Residential facility (ARF) Update

- Money must be spent by June 20<sup>th</sup>. We had a Pacifico planned but it didn't go well. To get the money out by June but it is getting close. We issued another RFP, but no one responded. We have a million dollars to invest but we can't get anyone to snag it to open an Adult residential Facility. Karen has talked to every City Manager in the County of Yolo to gain interest, and they just haven't figured it out yet.

- i. Partnership Health Plan of California and Dignity Health
- j. Crisis Response
  - Karen states what she has heard from Police Chief's is that they really miss CIP's when they went on MH calls, she states she told them they are willing to bring it back if they split the cost. We have buy-in from two jurisdictions and the third is close. Separate from that we are meeting with hospitals, because people in MH crisis have been sitting in Hospitals and its not good for clients and staff. Formed a MH Crisis Task force to look into what other hospitals doing what are some creative best practices; we are looking at whether we can get them directly in to placement, to avoid the hospital all together. We are trying to bring back CIP's, but this may mean that MH Urgent care goes away.
- k. Homeless
  - Antonia wants to know where money is going with the CMSP Grant, Karen states there are two grants Yolo got one and CommuniCare got the other. It is primarily going to be used to hire several Navigators. Ours will be focused in homeless world so people living outdoors will be directed physical and behavioral health. CommuniCare is using to focus on those coming out of hospital and incarceration and where they need to go. Case managers and supportive services.
- l. School based mental health
  - Much like Woodland Community College. The have reached out to partner and use some of their LCAP funds combined with MHSA money to expand Mental Health Services on campus.
- m. Woodland Community College
  - Looking to have more involvement if they are willing to share in the cost. Woodland Community College has had some Physical Health and Behavioral Health services on campus reached out and asked us to partner to assist with expanding those services. We are going to issue an RFP to expand those services so we can draw down some MHSA Funds and draw down federal funds. The have interesting demographics and populations that we want to be better serving.
- n. CBHDA policy/legislative priorities

## REGULAR AGENDA

1. **Board of Supervisors Report**
  - a. none
2. **Criminal Justice Update:** None

**3. Chair Report**

- a. Vitals App: Draft letter reviewed by the board with some reservations about wording, Bob states he is willing to do a re-write to include safeguards against unauthorized people having access to create a profile. The board approved to submit letter once concerns are clearly expressed. Will review re-write at next meeting.
- b. Nicki wanted to share a heads up from Yolo County Health Council Proposed Tobacco Policy recommendations-policy reviewed.
- c. Nicki expressed interest from some of board members to have a presentation on Veteran's Services. Karen will reach out for a future presentation from out Veterans Services Officer and Nicki will reach out to her connection.

**4. Future Meeting Planning and Adjournment**

- a. Budget Subcommittee scheduled for March 23rd

Meeting Adjourned at 8:09pm