

**MID-COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD (MCMHAB)
MINUTES**

Location of Meeting:
Mt. San Jacinto Children's Program
950 Ramona Blvd., Ste. 2
San Jacinto, CA 92582

Date and Time of Meeting:
Thursday, March 6, 2014
3:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mrs. Gloria Hernandez, Chairperson
Walter T. Haessler, M.D.
Ms. Sandra Gregston

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. Chris Halliday
Mrs. Jay Snofly
George Middle, Ph.D.

STAFF PRESENT

Ms. Claudia Espinoza
Ms. Alicia Hermosillo

Mrs. Nancy Morningstar
Mrs. Hilda Gallegos

GUEST PRESENT

Mr. Charles Thaxton
Mrs. Debbie Thaxton
Mr. Ron Hoffman
Mr. Pepe Del Rio
Mrs. Hope Anderson

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Mrs. Hernandez, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m. All in attendance introduced themselves.

MINUTES

Due to lack of quorum the November 7, 2013, January 9, 2014, and February 6, 2014, minutes were tabled to the next scheduled meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Gregston announced that she contacted Ms. Taryn Hefler, PAIR Project Coordinator to schedule a presentation for this Board.

Ms. Hermosillo encouraged everyone to attend an event schedule for Monday, March 10, 2014, to learn about the services offered at the Perris Family Room and also about employment opportunities as a Family Support Specialist with the Department. She provided flyers with more information on this event.

MT.SAN JACINTO CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Mrs. Morningstar, Supervisor of the San Jacinto Children's program briefly explained the services offered at her clinic. She noted that services include psychiatric evaluations, medication services, individual and family therapy. Mrs. Morningstar reported that other services include Seeking Safety, PCIT Therapy, COD, TF-CBT, and Aggression Replacement Therapy all evidence-based practices. In addition, staff is preparing to provide Katie A. She described the different groups offered and was happy to report that this clinic will have a full-time psychiatrist sometime in June.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received for this meeting.

MISSION STATEMENT

Ms. Gregston encouraged everyone to review the Mission Statement and find ways to promote Board membership. She reported that she has posted information about joining this Board on her LinkedIn page.

Dr. Haessler contacted the Pathways to Success program about recruitment for Board membership. Dr. Haessler noted that Mr. Espinoza suggested that members be invited to attend a Board meeting not necessarily to join but to see what this Board offers. Mr. Espinoza noted that he would mention and invite consumers to attend this Board meeting to see if this would be of interested to them.

Mrs. Hernandez noted that she has invited a prospective member from the Mead Valley area to attend this meeting but unfortunately he could not attend today's meeting.

MANAGERS REPORT

Mrs. Morningstar reported that both Temecula Adult and Lake Elsinore Adult clinics are in the process of tenant improvements, with projected opening dates sometime in May. She noted that the department is in the process of gearing up staff efforts, especially Lake Elsinore, as its only staffed by the supervisor. She reported that Mrs. Barron is in the process of interviewing for a new supervisor for the Temecula Children's clinic, as well as for a supervisor for the vacancy on the Mid-County MDFT Program. She added that the department is entering serious negotiations with a potential developer of a new County-owned build-to-suit Perris Family Room/Substance Abuse/MDFT/Mid-County Administrative Center. Mrs. Morningstar reported that the department is preparing for the introduction of Katie A. services for children.

Mrs. Morningstar added that the Peer Support center contract, currently run by Recovery Innovations, Inc. and paid for out of MHSA funds, is currently going out to bid with a Request for Proposals (RFP), due to the fact that the County requires all contracts to be time-limited before they must again be put out for competitive bidding. She also reported that the Department is the proud recipient of a new crisis services grant, entitled "Diversion Focused Crisis System of Care", and paid for by funding through Senate Bill 82. This will pay for Mobile Response Teams, working in each Region daily (including week-ends) from 2:00 p.m. to midnight. They will respond to emergency rooms and law enforcement dealing with psychiatric crises. They will be staffed by clinical and peer support staff. In addition, each Region will be developing peer-run crisis stabilization units, which will be open 24/7, for up to 23-hour care. This whole program will be managed centrally by Mr. Larry Hairston, who is the Department's current Long-Term Care Manager.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership Committee – No Committee report was available for this meeting.

Children's Committee- No Committee report was available for this meeting.

Older Adults Committee – No Committee report was available for this meeting.

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Adult System of Care Committee- Ms. Gregston reported that the ASOC Committee continues to work on goals which include transportation and lockers for the homeless. Ms. Gregston noted that she also mentioned a mental health parade as a possible goal.

Criminal Justice Committee – No Committee report was available for this meeting.

Housing Committee – No Committee report was available for this meeting.

Legislative Committee – Dr. Haessler reported on news article he came across regarding a campaign to stop pan handlers in San Jacinto, Hemet, and City of Riverside.

Veterans Committee – Dr. Haessler reported that Mr. Algarin, from the Family Advocate Program made a presentation on mental health and the justice system. He added that Mr. Algarin works with family members who have loved ones that are involved with the justice system.

OLD BUSINESS

Selecting a secretary for this Board has been postponed.

Ms. Gregston noted that site reviews need to be assigned. Mrs. Hernandez agreed to conduct the site review for Temecula Substance Abuse clinic. She indicated that she will present her review for the month of July.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business was discussed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Thaxton commented that he feels the County of Riverside does a pretty good job with what resources they have. He mentioned that he has an idea of opening a 24 hours 7 days a week facility that would offer both adults and children a place to stay for a couple of days, just to get away from their caregivers. He noted that services would be open to mental health and social services where they can place consumers in a safe place to stay. He noted that he is looking for someone who can write up a grant proposal for this idea.

NEXT MEETING

The next Mid-County Regional Advisory Board meeting will be held on Thursday, April 3, 2014, at the Perris Family Room clinic, at 1688 N. Perris Blvd., Ste. L6-11, Perris, CA 92571.

ADJOURNMENT

No further discussion was made, so meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Minutes Approved.

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Mid-County Mental Health Board Meeting Attendance Calendar Year 2014												
Members	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1. Gloria Hernandez	X	X	X					Dark				Dark
2. George Middle	A	X	A									
3. Chris Halliday	A	A	A									
4. Sandra Gregston	X	X	X									
5. Walter Haessler	X	X	X									
6. Jay Snofly	A	A	A									

X = Present A = Absent AE = Absent Excused