

- | <b>Members Attending:</b> |   |
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| 1.                        | Louis Weider, 1 <sup>st</sup> Dist. Member      |
| 2.                        | Manny Casas, 1 <sup>st</sup> Dist. Member       |
| 3.                        | Vacant, 1 <sup>st</sup> Dist. Alternate         |
| 4.                        | Bill Elliott, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dist. Member      |
| 5.                        | Margaret Lydon, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dist. Member    |
| 6.                        | Ann Eldridge, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dist. Member      |
| 7.                        | James Rohde, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dist. Member       |
| 8.                        | Vacant, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dist. Alternate         |
| 9.                        | Steve Greene, 4 <sup>th</sup> Dist. Member      |
| 10.                       | Chhitu Patel, 4 <sup>th</sup> Dist. Alternate   |
| 11.                       | Margie Lopez, 5th Dist. Member                  |
| 12.                       | Doug Barton, Interim Director                   |
| 13.                       | Shirlene Allen, Assistant Pro-Tem               |
| 14.                       | Brent Gonsalves                                 |
| 15.                       | Gregory C. Paraskou, Public Defender            |
| 16.                       | Cindy Hart                                      |
| 17.                       | Lillian Pipersburg, County Probation Department |

<b>Items:</b>	<b>(Code) Responsibility</b>	<b>Action/Deadline or Info Only</b>
I. Welcome & Introductions		Margie Lopez extended a warm welcome and asked that introductions be made.
II. Public comment		Cindy Hart, Family Advocate, expressed her concern regarding the LPS Conservatorship process and believes that the process needs to be re-evaluated and changes made to that process. The Commission will take this concern under advisement and get back to Ms. Hart.
III. Commission Business	Approval of Minutes	Bill Elliott moved that the minutes of the February 6, 2007 meeting be approved with Ann Eldridge seconding; motion carried.
IV. Director's Report	Doug Barton, Interim Director	Mr. Barton stated that although Dr. Broderick's last day will be on March 23 <sup>rd</sup> and that he (Mr. Barton) is directing the Department. Also, due to Mr. Barton's management style, Marianne Garrity is now designated as Mr. Barton's chief assistant and should Mr. Barton not be available Ms. Garrity will be in charge and all Execs will be reporting to her as well as all issues for the

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		<p>Department.</p> <p>Mr. Barton reported that the budget crisis of \$5M deficit for the FY 06-07 is reduced to \$8K and next years for FY 07-08 has a deficit of \$1.5M and feels that this will be resolved.</p> <p>Mr. Barton reviewed with the commission members the steps that he will be taking in the Department:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Taking a hard look at the organizational structure</li> <li>➤ Reviewing Management Organizational Structure</li> <li>➤ Budget control               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ For instance, Consultant fees – The question is, why are we using consultants when we have staff that can perform these functions? It is noted that the CA DMH for FY 07-08 will institute the concept use it or loose it.</li> </ul> </li> <li>➤ Staffing levels</li> <li>➤ Who is being served</li> <li>➤ Educating BOS and CEO's office so they have an understanding of why we are the way we are</li> <li>➤ Looking at the most expensive and the least effective services and systems</li> <li>➤ Taking a hard look at MHSA and the roll out of this program(s). i.e. Vida Nueva panel was divided and Mr. Barton is not comfortable with this and feels that this area needs to regroup.</li> </ul> <p>Ann Eldridge asked about the Dual Diagnosis Treatment Court and that there appears to be a lack of clarity in this area. Mr. Barton stated that this too will be an area of review such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Looking at the portals of entry into the system using CARES North and South to sort folks into the four levels of care</li> <li>➤ Looking at placing psychiatrists into the Alcohol/Drug program to name just a few areas.</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Looking at own management cultural</li> <li>➤ Develop criteria like the MHSA approach involving partner agencies, community, courts, commission, consumers and family.</li> </ul> <p>Mr. Barton said that he has a concern regarding the referrals from the courts, staff, and community and would like to have the same process for all parties. Also, he felt that the same dollar amount would apply for each client no matter where the client is located.</p> <p>Several of the Commission members commended Mr. Barton for his courage in changing the cultural of the Department and that they are happy that he is here.</p>
V. Discussion		<p>Ann Eldridge attended the Criminal Justice meeting and will be submitting a written report at the next meeting.</p> <p>The State Hospital Bed Contract FY 2006-2007 was presented for review. With the Executive team's recommendation it will be presented at the next MHC General meeting for approval.</p>
	Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

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**Minutes**

**DATE: March 6, 2007**  
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