

Mental Health Commission
Meeting Minutes

June 19, 2009

Lompoc, CA

Commission Members Present

Margie Lopez, 5th District Chairperson
Louis Weider, 1st District, Vice Chairperson
Manny Casas, 1st District
G. Wm. Elliott, 2nd District
Ann Eldridge, 3rd District
James Rohde, 3rd District
Lisa Morinini, 4th District
Roger Thompson, 3rd District Alternate
Teresa Menchaca, 5th District Alternate

Commission Members Absent

Charles Huffines, 5th District Alternate
Jan Winter, 1st District Alternate
Karen Kegg, 2nd District Alternate
Chhitu Patel, 4th District
Tracey Taylor, 4th District Alternate

ADMHS Staff

Ann Detrick, Ph.D., Director
Marianne Garrity, Deputy Director
Al Rodriguez, Assistant Director, MH Programs
Lennie Kwock, Juvenile Justice Program Manager
Marcia Carstensen, Assistant

Guests

John Mudie
Maria Ross
James Chambliss
L. Juniper
John Buttny
Ben Shalant
Frank Ricceri, Transitions Mental Health Association
Kathy McMillion
Emily Allen
Stephanie Langsdorf, 3rd District Executive Assistant

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS –

Chair Margie Lopez called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m., welcomed all and self-introductions took place.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES-

A motion was made and seconded (Eldridge/Elliott) that the minutes of May 15, 2009 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT-

Benjamin Shalant commented on the lack of sufficient time to address all items on the agenda of the Consumer/Family Member Advisory Committee. He feels there are some conflicts of interest despite an informal claim that they are working for the same cause.

John Mudie commented on State law and the Commission regarding outcomes.

Commissioner Eldridge commented on an article written by Marvin Southard, LA County Mental Health Director entitled Coping with Budget Issues in Hyper-Turbulent Times. A copy of the article is attached to these minutes.

John Buttny, Executive Director of the 10-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness in Santa Barbara County, distributed their 2007-2009 Progress Report. A copy of the report and more information may be obtained by contacting the organization at 805.884.5115 or info@bringsbcohome.org.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT-

Ann Detrick reported the budget situation remains status quo for ADMHS pending final approval of the State budget.

The Director updated the Commission on 2009-2010 mental health services local contracts being presented for approval at the Board of Supervisors' meeting Tuesday, June 23, 2009. She also mentioned that on July 7, 2009, the Board of Supervisors would consider the Grand Jury Report, "Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services – An Uncertain Financial Future".

COMMISSION BUSINESS-

- A. Election of 2009-2010 Mental Health Commission Officers
Nominations from the floor were opened for Chairperson and Vice Chairperson respectively. As there were no nominations from the floor for either seat, a motion was made and seconded (Eldridge/Rohde) that the slate of nominees be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

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- B. Correspondence
 - 1. Grand Jury Letter to the Commission
Commissioner Weider stated he had read the letter and the attached report and that there was nothing in it that was not already made public. There was no action to be taken by Commission on this item.
- C. Committee/Liaison Reports
 - 1. Latino Advisory Committee (LAC) – Manny Casas, 1st District Member
- D. Other
 - 1. Develop Liaison from the Consumer/Family Member Advisory Committee
Commissioner Eldridge proposed that the Commission consider a liaison group to the Commission composed of one consumer and one family member from each of the three regions. Each liaison group would meet with the Commission in their region to update the Commission on consumer and family member issues relevant to their region. The motion was made by Commissioner Eldridge and was not seconded. Commissioner Eldridge withdrew the motion. There was consensus that this topic should be explored further at a future Commission meeting.

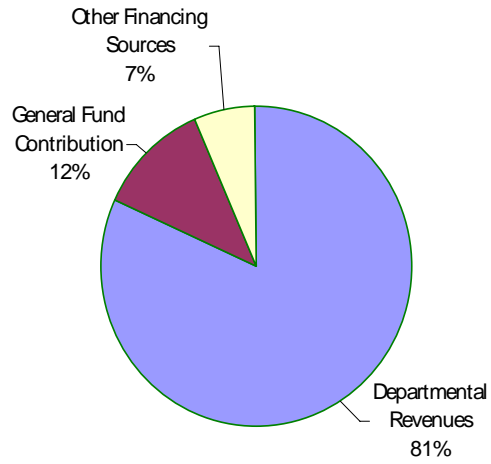
PRESENTATIONS-

- A. Lompoc Regional Clinics Update – Louise Jansen, Program Manager was unavailable. Lennie Kwock, Juvenile Justice Mental Health Services Program Manager, gave an update on the program. He distributed a handout that covers who is served, where services are delivered including the needs and challenges and goals of the community and the program. A copy of the distributed material is made a part of these minutes and will be available on the ADMHS web site: www.admhs.org.
- B. Lompoc Act Update –Frank Ricceri & Lisa Grassle
Mr. Ricceri reported that Ms. Grassle was on vacation. He stated that Lompoc ACT is doing well. He distributed a Transitions-Mental Health Association Consumer Satisfaction Survey on Vida Nueva services in Lompoc. A copy of this 8-page survey is made a part of these minutes and will be available on the ADMHS web site: www.admhs.org.
Due to a lack of time, Mr. Ricceri offered to return to the Commission along with Lisa Grassle to provide a more thorough update.

ADJOURNMENT- Margie Lopez adjourned the meeting at 4:18 pm.

Marcia Carstensen
Mental Health Commission Assistant

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