

Mental Health Commission  
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

December 8, 2009

Santa Barbara, CA

**Executive Committee Members Present**

Louis Weider, 1<sup>st</sup> District, Vice Chairperson      John Mudie, 3<sup>rd</sup> District  
Jan Winter, 1<sup>st</sup> District Alternate      Ann Eldridge, 4th District Alternate  
Belinda Zola, 2<sup>nd</sup> District      Margie Lopez, 5<sup>th</sup> District, Chairperson

**Executive Committee Members Absent**

Manny Casas, 1<sup>st</sup> District      Roger Thompson, 3<sup>rd</sup> District  
James Rohde, 3<sup>rd</sup> District

**ADMHS Staff**

Ann Detrick, Ph.D., Director  
Marianne Garrity, Deputy Director  
Marcia Carstensen, Assistant  
Maria Xique, Assistant

**Guests**

One guest not signed in

**WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS**

Chair Margie Lopez called the meeting to order to 3:30 p.m. Self-introductions took place.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made seconded (Eldridge/Mudie) that the minutes of November 3, 2009 meeting be approved as presented. Motion carried.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY CHAIRPERSON**

Margie Lopez suggested a holiday celebration after the meeting on December 18, 2009. She asked for volunteers to bring treats and she will provide the coffee.

**PUBLIC COMMENT-**

None

**COMMISSION BUSINESS-**

- A. Meeting Location/Time Changes  
Margie Lopez will present a draft schedule of suggested changes at the December 18, 2009 Commission meeting for action.
  
- B. Set Agenda for December 18, 2009
  - 1. Santa Maria Clinics Update – Linda Tuttle, Regional Manager or Designee
  - 2. Committee/Liaison Reports
    - a. Casa Esperanza Site Visit – Jim Rohde (tabled from 11/20/09 meeting)

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- b. UCSB Student Services Report – Roger Thompson  
(tabled from 11/20/09 meeting)
- c. Outcomes – John Mudie
- C. Correspondence – none
- D. Other
  - 1. California Mental Health Planning Council training for Commissioners – Santa Barbara may be invited to host an training in 2010 on a Saturday. The counties that will participate in the training are Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, Ventura, and Kern. The date is to be determined.
  - 2. Bylaws Revision Project will begin in January. Margie Lopez asked that all Commissioners review the current bylaws and submit to her or Ann Eldridge any suggested changes. Commissioners Lopez and Eldridge volunteered to work on this project in conjunction with Celeste Andersen of County Counsel.
  - 3. Ann Eldridge asked if the Commission could receive an overview of ADMHS' Quality Assurance Division. This is to be arranged for early in 2010.
  - 4. John Mudie asked if the Commission could receive monthly reports on outcomes. Marianne Garrity offered to present information on the recent External Quality Review. She will prepare documentation on this for the December 18 meeting. John Mudie will chair a task force on outcomes.
  - 5. Charles Huffines has been designated the chairperson for the Consumer Subcommittee in North county. Margie Lopez is seeking a person to serve as the vice chair of the Consumer Subcommittee in South county.
  - 6. Ann Eldridge presented the idea of holding focus groups on MHSA plans during the 30-day public input period. This would be helpful for Commissioners to have the input from the focus groups should a Commissioner receive comment or inquiries on MHSA plans under public review. Ann Detrick commented that perhaps a page of the plan funding stream indicating proposed distribution of funds.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Marcia Carstensen  
Mental Health Commission Assistant