



MENTAL HEALTH BOARD GENERAL MEETING

July 9, 2008, 7:00 – 9:00 PM
Meeting Minutes
Sacramento County Administration Building
700 H Street, Sacramento, CA 95814
Hearing Room 2

Attendance: Lois Cunningham, Terry Imai, John Mancano, Peter Panasenکو, Chad Thompson, Frank Topping

Absent: Jane Fowler, Y'vonne Heriveaux, Supervisor Don Nottoli, OJ Platt, Michael Rockenstein, Dian Rogers, Bill Young

I. Call to Order: Chair Chad Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:22 PM

Note: There were not enough members present for a quorum; therefore action taken on behalf of the entire MHB was not made during this meeting.

II. Acknowledgements:

- a. Honored Former MHB Chair Lynn Manchester & MHB Member Ben Jones
- b. Toni Moore (DHA Deputy Director) introduced Transition Age Youth (TAY), Stephanie Ramos and Reina Kaslaofski, who have both been “tri-chairing” WET Taskforce meetings along side Toni. There is a number of other TAY that has been actively involved in the MHSA planning process: Ken Logan, Daniel Massie, Michael Young.

III. Outreaching to Local Communities Discussion:

Paul Powell, Contractor's Association President, reports that the contractors plan to post meeting flyers, plans/reports in all threshold languages at their respective sites. Contractors would like to work in partnership with the Division in developing ways of reaching our ethnic communities and un-served populations in ways other than the internet. Contractors discussed the difficulties that our ethnic communities and un-served populations have in getting to meetings. They are discussing different ways of reaching out to and marketing the services to these communities.

Leland Tom, Division Director, reports that the Division has been in discussions related to methods in reaching out to our ethnic communities; however this needs to be done in partnership with the providers and consumers and family members. Leland agreed that the Division and providers will be able to provide periodic reports regarding progress made towards these efforts.

Terry Imai suggested that the Division obtain an internal counter attached to the Division website to determine the number to people who have viewed the website. JoAnn Johnson, Ethnic Services Program Manager, and Dorian Kittrell, SCMHTC Director, both recommended multi-pronged approaches in outreaching to our local communities.

IV. Advocacy Report: No Advocacy Report made.

V. Public Comment (two minute presentations): No Public Comment made.

VI. Division of Mental Health Division Report: JoAnn Johnson, Ethnic Services/Cultural Competence Program Manager, presented on Sacramento County, Division of Mental Health's Cultural Competence Plan. See handout. The Planning Council has formed a working committee that is proposing that

Counties MHB and Commissions take a role in considering and evaluating health disparities in their local communities. Monterey, Shasta, and San Diego Counties MHBs are piloting an instrument where they are reviewing data related to issues of access, penetration, retention and prevalence rates for different groups in their respective counties. Once the pilot is completed, it will be implemented state-wide. Potentially, there will be training related to health disparities and the instrument for all MHBs and our MHB may be approached about this early in 2009. JoAnn will return to further present in preparation for this training.

VII. Adjournment—Chair Chad Thompson adjourned the meeting at 8:38pm.

VIII. Next Meeting: August 6, 2008, 7 PM, 700 H Street, Sacramento, Hearing Room 2

Mental Health Board Executive Committee

1st Wednesday, monthly, 6:00-7:00 PM
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Hearing Room #2

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Internet Links:

Division of Mental Health: <http://www.sacdhhs.com/default.asp?woID=men&mode=>
Division's Mental Health Services Act (MHSA): <http://www.sacdhhs.com/default.asp?WOID=MHA>
Sacramento County Mental Health Board: <http://www.sacdhhs.com/default.asp?WOID=MHB>

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