

Mental Health Board and Public Hearing Zoom Meeting Minutes

July 12, 2021, 4:00 to 6:00 pm

Chair:	Kristyn Miles	Vice Chair:	Beth Nelsen
Minutes:	LuAnn Pufford, Sr. Office Assistant		

---- Agenda Topics ----

1. Call to Order

The Zoom meeting was called to order at approximately 4:05 p.m. by Chair Kristyn Miles.

2. Roll Call/Introductions

The Napa County Mental Health Board (MHB) met in regular session on Monday, June 14, 2021, with the following members present: Chair Kristyn Miles, Vice-Chair Beth Nelsen, Supervisor Ryan Gregory, Keri Akemi-Hernandez, Kathleen Chance, Frank Dolan, Neil D'Silva, Kristine Haataja, Tiffany Iverson, Rowena Korobkin, Edward Ortiz, Robert Palmer and Patricia Sullivan. Member Heidi Van De Ryt arrived late. Member Zachariah Geyer was absent.

Napa County Mental Health Division Staff present: LuAnn Pufford, Sr. Office Assistant, MHSA Staff Services Analyst Liset Esqueda, and Sarah O'Malley, Mental Health Director.

Guest presenters were Mental Health Director Sarah O'Malley and MHSA Staff Services Analyst Liset Esqueda.

3. Public Comment

None.

4. Board Member Comment or Announcements

Beth Nelsen commented that she was not comfortable with in-person meetings and would prefer to continue the monthly MHB and Executive Committee meetings by teleconference. Supervisor Ryan Gregory mentioned that the Executive Order issued last March allowing public meetings via teleconference was expiring sometime in September, and requested that Sr. Office Assistant LuAnn Pufford contact the Napa County, County Counsel representative to the MHB for details before committing to a teleconference schedule. LuAnn will request advice from County Counsel and report back to the MHB as soon as possible.

5. Approval of Minutes and Consent Items

A motion to approve the minutes from the June 14, 2021 meeting was made by member Robert Palmer. Member Rowena Korobkin seconded the motion. Each member was individually asked to vote on approval of the minutes. The motion passed with all Ayes (Yes); no members were opposed or abstained.

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6. Old Business

None

7. New Business

- A. The Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Fiscal Year 2021-22 Annual Update to the MHSA Three Year Plan Public Hearing began at approximately 4:19 pm. Mental Health Director Sarah O'Malley began with an overview of the purpose of the Annual Update to the Three Year Plan, followed by an explanation of the Annual Update format. She spoke about the challenges to all MHSA programs presented by the COVID-19 Pandemic. There was an overview of the MHSA Funding Projections and New Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) regulations, followed by a summary of each of the new programs being funded, Mobile Crisis Response Team, Family Urgent Response Systems, and Assisted Outpatient Treatment. Mental Health Board members were asked to submit their questions in writing to either Felix Bedolla, MHSA Project Manager by using the Public Comment form posted on the County website, or by email to Sr. Office Assistant LuAnn Pufford. Comments and questions posed included the following:
- When was the community planning process held, and who was engaged in that for feedback?
 - When will there be a new planning process to identify unmet needs?
 - Has the LGBTQ community been hesitant to self-identify, and if so, are there ideas on how to mitigate this issue? What is being done to insure that we are gathering SOGI demographics?
 - Which employers are participating in the Work For Wellness program? Have there been efforts to connect consumers with the Department of Rehabilitation (DOR)?

The Public Hearing was closed at approximately 4:52 pm.

- B. The annual meeting schedule for the Mental Health Board (MHB) and Executive Committee meetings was reviewed. A recommendation was made to vote on approving the MHB meetings only at this time. A motion to approve the MHB annual meeting schedule was made by member Kristine Haataja, and was seconded by member Rowena Korobkin. The motion passed with all Ayes; no *members were opposed.

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- C. Chair Kristyn Miles opened the floor with nominations for Mental Health Board Officers for Fiscal Year 2021-22 as Mr. Robert Palmer for Chair and Mr. Edward Ortiz for Vice-Chair. A motion was made by member Rowena Korobkin to approve the slate of Officers as presented. The motion was seconded by member Tiffany Iverson, and passed with all Ayes. No *members were opposed.

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- D. Newly elected MHB Chair Rob Palmer made a request to discuss together Work Group ideas and MHB member areas of interest for meeting topics and guest speakers. Members were in favor of discussing both and the following ideas were generated:

1. Evaluate mental health services for persons with mental health concerns in the Jail
2. Presentation on what mental health services are available for the LGBTQ community members
3. Presentation on services for students in Napa schools
4. More information on the program that pairs older adults and youth, offered by Mentis
5. Joint meeting between MHB and ABAD
6. Presentation on Crisis Stabilization Services by Crestwood CSU
7. The Mind/Body Connection or Mental Health and Physical Health and How One Affects the Other
8. An Update on Site Visits and When They Can Resume

- E. A discussion ensued regarding the three Executive Committee Members-At-Large for FY2021-22. After contacting members individually, the three members who were in agreement to serve in this role were Tiffany Iverson, Kristine Haataja and Beth Nelsen. A vote to elect this slate of Members-At-Large will commence at the August MHB meeting.
- F. Mental Health Director Sarah O'Malley shared the following information:
 - a. Mobile Response Team – A Supervisor for the program has been hired, Chelsea Stoner. Recruitment efforts continue for Mental Health counselors for this new program.
 - b. CalAIM is projected to be implemented by the State as of January 2022.
- G. Committee and Work Group reports:

Kathleen Chance, Veterans Commission: Veterans no longer have to go to San Francisco for their mental health services, as services are now provided in Yountville. This is a huge change and accomplishment. The Commission appreciated information shared by Sr. Office Assistant LuAnn Pufford about Valley View in American Canyon, which offers 70 units of affordable apartments and cottage-style homes for low-income seniors and veterans.

Rob Palmer, Advisory Board on Alcohol & Drug Services (ABAD): There was an interesting presentation the impact on services to youth during the pandemic.

Kristine Haataja, Quality Improvement Committee: Not all MH Division staff have completed the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion training modules. These need to be completed by the end of September. MH Division Policies need to be reviewed and updated using the Race and Cultural Equity Policy, Procedures, and Practices Tool.

Kristyn Miles, Suicide Prevention Council: There was a presentation from the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI); strategic planning continues and the Suicide Prevention Council is planning on offering additional trainings on Question, Persuade, Refer or QPR.
- H. CALBHB/C update: The California Mental Health Planning Council has announced the topic for this year's Data Notebook as Racial Disparities and Inequities.

8. Announcements & Informational Items

- A. Speaker Schedule Plan for FY2020-2021
 1. PATH Grant Update and SAMHSA Grant Update (August)
 2. Contracts & Providers, Site Visit List, and Services Provided at Facilities (August)
 3. Cultural Competency Plan
 4. EQRO Report
 5. Mental Health Division Strategic Plan
 6. Suicide Prevention Council
 7. Crisis Response Services in Napa County
 8. CalAim
 9. Co-occurring Disorders
 10. Mental Health Court
- B. Napa County **Mental Health Board web page** includes Executive Committee and Board meeting agendas, minutes & supporting documents: <http://www.countyofnapa.org/HHSA/MentalHealthBoard/>
- C. Next **MH Board Meeting**, August 9, 2021, 4:00 to 6:00pm, by Zoom teleconference
- D. Next **Executive Committee Meeting**, July 21, 2021, 3:30 to 4:30, by Zoom teleconference

9. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by member Beth Nelsen and was seconded by member Rowena Korobkin. The motion passed with all Ayes. The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:41 pm.

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