



# COUNTY OF YOLO

Health and Human Services Agency

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## Local Mental Health Board Meeting Minutes

**Monday, August 26, 2019**

Gonzales Bldg Community Conference Room

25 N Cottonwood St. Woodland Ca 95695

**Members Present:** Bob Schelen, Jonathan Raven, Brad Anderson, Bret Bandle, John Archuleta, Sally Mandujan, Antonia Tsboudias, James Glica-Hernandez, Maria Simas, Richard Bellows, Supervisor Don Saylor, Jessie Tessler

**Members Absent:** Serena Durand, Nicki King

**Staff Present:** Karen Larsen, Mental Health Director, HHSA Director  
Brian Vaughn, Community Health Branch Director  
Mila Green, Deputy Director Adult and Aging Branch  
Anthony Taula-Lieras, MSHA Program Coordinator

### CALL TO ORDER

1. **Welcome and Introductions:** The August 26th, 2019 meeting of the Local Mental Health Board was called to order at 7:00 PM in Woodland. Introductions were made. James Glica-Hernandez introduced the newest board member, Jessie Tessler.
2. **Public Comment:** No public comment.
3. **Approval of Agenda:** Approved with following amendments.
  - a. Richard requested to add site visits.
  - b. James added AB1352 to the Chair Report.
  - c. Jonathan Raven asked for James to review the Bylaws.
4. **Approval Minutes:** Minutes approved for June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Abstentions: Richard Bellows and Maria Simas.
5. **Member Announcements:**
  - a. Sally went to the MHSOAC Client and Family Leadership Meeting and shared her experience. She mentioned a quiz about all aspects of MSHA and appreciated a pronoun handout about ways of identifying gender. Sally mentioned the value of learning about MSHA and that the board might benefit from seeing the presentation and quiz. Sally also wanted to thank the LMHB, the Agency and Karen for providing great services for her son who has been conserved twice and is doing very well. James said we can look into the quiz and pronoun handout to share with the board.

- b. Suggestion to add pronoun to table name cards. If you'd like your pronouns added, please email Brittany your preferred pronouns.
- c. Antonia wanted to mention that on August 13<sup>th</sup> NAMI Yolo took a group trip to the River Cats Game via the generosity of Supervisor Saylor. She said the group has a lot of fun and she wanted to thank supervisor Saylor.
- d. Jonathan wanted to share that he and his family took a trip to France for 2.5 weeks and felt comfortable traveling because he knew that his son was in good hands due to the network of family and friend support.
- e. Jonathan recently found out that you can go to the Davis Police Department with diagnosis, medication and emergency contacts for loved ones so officers can be prepared to best assist. Jonathan would like to know how many people on the LMHB knew about that. Jonathan would like to suggest that the board do some work about getting the message out to the community. Mila shared that it's called "SNAP" in Woodland and you can fill out a form online to inform the Police Department of any concerns you may have about loved ones including mental health, physical impairments etc. Robert mentioned that hopefully that agency has provided CIT for their officers so they can respond appropriately. James mentioned that our community has an unusually large number CIT trained officers so that's a positive.

6. **Correspondence:** None

7. **Time Set Agenda:** The LMHB received a presentation from Mila Green on Community Intervention Training (CIT).

## CONSENT AGENDA

8. **Mental Health Director's Report** by Karen Larsen, Mental Health Director, HHSA

- a. **Pine Tree Gardens-** Karen let the group know that short term and long term objectives have been established to make the homes sustainable. She said we have great public/private partnerships working together to make this happen. Brad said how great it is to see plans in the works. Supervisor Saylor mentioned that the community has really banded together in support and some individual families have made very large donations. Brad asked if and when we (the LMHB) can write an article in appreciation for the work the community has done to save Pine Tree Gardens.
- b. **Forensic ACT Team-**
- c. **Steps to Success-** Karen asked how many people know about prop 47? Many members were familiar. She explained that prop 47 reduced incarcerations for some drug related crimes and the cost savings are used for diversion and services. Steps to Success is the name of the program in Yolo County and it's a great partnership among departments. There's an upcoming graduation and Jonathan elaborated that this program was a way of expanding Addiction Intervention and Mental Health Court. Antonia mentioned that the DA's office is involved with NAMI Yolo and she'll be speaking at 3 meetings upcoming called "In Our Own Voice."

- d. John Archuleta asked for clarification on how prop 47 works. He wanted to know if less people were involved in the justice system due to Steps to Success? He had concerns about people not getting the services they need if they're not arrested. Karen explained the prop 47 serves a small population of those who need services and we're working towards serving more.
- e. **OAC Presentation/Data-**
- f. **Safe Communities Workshop-** Karen explained the role of the workshop in helping the Board of Supervisors develop a strategic plan. Karen was excited that the presentations were mostly given by HHS employees and not necessarily from our criminal justice partners, this speaks to our Boards interest in making sure those who have Behavioral Health conditions get the services they need since they're disproportionately represented in our criminal justice system. Don offered to share the video of the presentations. The video will be shared via email and made available to the public via the Yolo County website.
- g. **Criminal Justice Grants-** Karen explained that CCP identified 54 gaps via the Sequential Intercept Map (SIM) and the County created a grants group to help address some of the gaps. The grant writing team consists of partners from a variety of departments and Karen really appreciates the DA's role in leading the group. The group is working to address gaps identified by the SIM work.
- h. **Dr. Insel Visit-**
- i. **Homeless Technical Assistance-** Karen explained the No Place Like Home application process and the requirement of the 2019 Homeless Action Plan. The plan sighted four main goals and our technical assistance is intended to provide guidance in reaching those goals. One of the goals is focused on "Homeless Governance" so we can make better decisions as a countywide unit.
- j. **PEI Subcommittee-**
- k. **Data Driven Recovery Project-**
- l. **MHSA 3 Year Planning Process-**
- m. **Partnership and Blue Sky Consulting-**

## REGULAR AGENDA

- 1. **Board of Supervisors Report –**
  - a. **Cal-Fresh/SSI expansion:** Supervisor Saylor asked if a press release came out about the Cal-Fresh/SSI expansion. Karen said a couple were released at the onset of the expansion and we can share data at the next meeting.
  - b. **New project:** There's a 6 bed facility coming to South Davis as a partnership with Solano County and YCCC. Yolo County government officials were not informed of the new project. The home is intended to house those who are not ready to stand trial and need services. Supervisors

Saylor and Provenza are in contact with Solano County now and are working to create more regional approaches to address the community's needs.

- c. **Strategic Planning Workshop:** 1yr long strategic planning process
- d. **Office of Refugee Resettlement Program (ORR):** Intended for unaccompanied minors and the contract expires in January. The BOS is looking at options in the Sept/Oct time period. Jonathan asked how this would change the juvenile hall situation and Supervisor Saylor explained that it's all yet to be determined.
- e. **UC Davis: Shreya Deshpande:** Supervisor Saylor wanted to introduce a student from UC Davis: Shreya Deshpande, is Vice President of ASUCD. Their priorities include Mental Health. Sherya would like to increase the amount of mental health services available for students on campus.

**2. Chair Report –**

- a. Richard asked about the expansion of CalFresh, Karen explained that expansion has increased the number of seniors who are eligible (as well as SSI recipients). Request for data next month.
- b. Request to add an ongoing item: Adult Residential Facilities and Navigation Center.

**3. Future Meeting Planning and Adjournment**

- a. LRPC: Next Presentation from the LGBTQ on Cultural Competency, next meeting September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:37pm.

[Next Meeting Date and Location](#) – September, 2019  
Davis Library Ca 95696