



# COUNTY OF YOLO

Health and Human Services Agency

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## Local Mental Health Board Meeting Minutes

**Monday, March 30, 2020**

Online/Call-in ZOOM

**Members Present:** Aleecia Gutierrez, Rachel Warren, Brad Anderson, Robert Schelen, Antonia Tsobanoudis, Nicki King, John Archuleta, Richard Bellows, Serena Durand, Carol Christensen, Dr. Xiaolong Li, Supervisor Don Saylor, Maria Simas, Jonathan Raven

**Members Absent:** Supervisor Jim Provenza,

**Staff Present:** Karen Larsen, Mental Health Director, HHSA Director  
Leigh Harrington, HHSA Medical Director, Mila Green, Deputy Branch Director/Deputy Mental Health Director

### CALL TO ORDER

1. **Welcome and Introductions:** The March 30, 2020 the meeting of the Local Mental Health Board was called to order at 6:06 PM On-line. Introductions were made.
2. **Public Comment:** None
3. **Approval of Agenda:** Moved by Richard and 2<sup>nd</sup> Brad
4. **Approval Minutes:** Minutes approved with the following amendment: Pat Williams reference be changed to Kathy Williams in reference to the awards.
5. **Member Announcements:**
  - Bob did not have a chance to work on the Vitals App re-write, he will complete and bring to next meeting.
6. **Correspondence:** Summary of Budget & Finance Committee Meeting on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 reviewed
7. **Time Set Agenda:** CONSENT AGENDA
  - a. **Presentation:** Budget Presentation-motion to forward budget committees recommendations to Board of Supervisors-Quorum met, motion approved.
    - Don recommends that before sharing Budget Presentation with BOS that the Slide with the initial pie chart be accompanied with actual numbers in the pie. Then when we move into further detail, we can see how all the numbers add up and fit together. Considering not everyone lives with MHSA/PEI/CSS it would also be helpful to include a slide in the beginning with a brief description & what the total amount for all MHSA would be.
8. **Mental Health Director's Report** by Karen Larsen, Mental Health Director, HHSA

- a. **COVID19-MH/SUD** currently in treatment we are doing our best to continue services. We are offering virtual visits and continuing with Crisis in person as well as the injection clinic. Clients are still getting some level of services in clinic which isn't optimal, but we are doing our best. Working on assisting our unsheltered population, they are at a greater risk no with no access to the usual areas they would utilize for personal hygiene. Working with area motels to partner with wrap around services, food delivery, security and trying to get as many indoors as possible.
- b. CBHDA/CWDA Treatment for Foster Youth
- c. Pine Tree Gardens Ad HOC-Ad HOC Committee with Saylor and Provenza & the Save Pinetree Gardens Group talked about potential for taking \$1 million & investing in the homes in stead of Pacifico project. The contract will have a write in that the homes must remain residential Care facilities for 20 years. The Pinetree Gardens group was agreeable that instead of expanding we will now use the money to preserve. We should have an answer before the money must be spent.
- d. Trauma Informed Primary Care Implementation Advisory Committee Meeting
- e. University of California, Office of the President-four to five thousand students who attend UC Davis are on Medi-cal. Those students are the responsibility of the county and need to have their medi-cal transferred but the process is very cumbersome. We are working on getting that process simplified. UC Davis reached out to leverage resources and grow services on campus. They will raise funds to match our MHSA dollars allowing those resources to be expanded. We will me having more calls to help grow our collaboration.
- f. Crisis Task Force/OAC
- g. Street Medicine/Mobile Medical Unit
- h. Adult Residential facility (ARF) Update
- i. Sequential Intercept Map Refresh
- j. Homelessness
- k. School based mental health
- l. MHSA 3 Year Plan

## REGULAR AGENDA

1. **Board of Supervisors Report-Don Saylor**
  - a. BOS is meeting weekly now. Solely focused on COVID19 and County response. We have activated our emergency operations center. People working in normal jobs shift gears when emergencies happen and take over new roles. We are better organized and have better partnerships with cities. Mindi Nunes represents the County as well as a separate group led by

Ron/Karen. The discussion process is very different, and everything is rapid fire. Yolo was the first County to order "Shelter in Place". We are now starting to hear stories of people who are infected; friends, and family members. Look at the County Website. We are working at making it information rich. There is a survey you can take and questions you can ask in an online forum. The California Department of Public Health has great updates as well as the County Facebook page where Karen with assistance has put together a presentation worth looking at. Another good resource on Facebook is called COVID19 Yolo Community Response, this is a group of grassroots individuals who created a forum where you can ask questions, pull resources. The county is about to enter into contract with them to help strengthen their operations. This group will help us reach out through non-in person contact or participate in offering help. You can send a message to Don's office and they will re-route if you are interested in getting involved. This is a tough time and we will emerge stronger.

2. **Criminal Justice Update:** We have been turned on our heads, evolving and changing daily. It is very complicated trying to balance the right to defendants, health and safety to jurors and family members, and staff. All the jury trials are on hold for 30 days. Extending times and deadlines affect those expecting a speedy trial. Continued all Criminal Justice Court for 30 days but may continue with ZOOM. We are having difficulty doing assessments because they are usually done in jail. The jail does not want HHS Staff inside and HHS has their own reservations about being inside as well. We are working on doing video assessments. We are not stopping the work but its very challenging.

Nicki questions what arrangements are being made in custody?

Jonathan states that currently the law says someone in custody has to be arraigned within 48 hours (court days). The court has issued a directive to the jail not to send anyone to court without judges' permission. May extend to 7 days but there is opposition to extensions because they would have to be in court and in jails. We will have to do arraignments by video instead of exposing people in court or during transportation. Yolo County is ahead of the curve.

3. **Chair Report**
  - a. Vitals App: Draft letter will be reviewed at next meeting
  - b. Nicki invites you to serve as her back up on the Health Council
  - c. Nicki has asked the Pine Tree Gardens Group to think about the kind of things they want to pay providers. Is this operator's business or PTG Business? Think through a process that is mindful to the financial process of 501c3, so it doesn't put the group in jeopardy.
4. **Future Meeting Planning and Adjournment**
  - a. No presentation next month, meeting will again be held by ZOOM

Meeting Adjourned at 7:59pm