

**Monday, February 22, 2021**

Online/Call-in ZOOM

**Members Present:** Richard Bellows, Robert Schelen, Carol, Serena Durand, AntoniaTsobanoudis, Brad Anderson, Rachel Warren, Aleecia Gutierrez, Nicki King, Maria Simas, Xiaolong Li, Nick Burtcil, Robin Rainwater

**Members Absent:** Jonathan Raven, John Archuleta

**Staff Present:** Karen Larsen, Christina Grandison, Justin Louie Lock

### CALL TO ORDER

1. **Welcome and Introductions:** The February 22, 2021 meeting of the Local Mental Health Board was called to order at 6:01 PM On-line. Introductions were made.
2. **Public Comment:**
  - **Linda Wight**-correspondence read
3. **Chair Report-Nicki King**
  - **Change of case manager**-will there be employee case managers? Per Karen Larsen, Not for FSP those will be contracted out. There will still be case managers internally for NON FSP clients. Nicki states letter sent out was confusing and people are anxious about an increase of case managers if it goes from one person to three people or a hierarchy or care people may not feel comfortable with additional involvement or have difficulty understanding the process. Karen states they will be thoughtful of the process once the vendors are selected. Karen's preference is that there are at least two vendors for FSP services so we have some choice and can compare outcomes. Healthy competition is good.
  - **Nicki needs a Health Council alternate.** The meetings are open to the public. Nicki will send the link to next meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday in March 9-11am for those interested. She recommends sitting in on meeting to see if it's something you would be interested in. Serena, Carol, and Brad expressed interest in being an alternate.
  - **Covid Task Force**-its an opportunity to get a road map of where we are going. Many thought it would have been over by June. Covid may go into 2022. The county has been going out to remote locations to make sure people in various counties get access to vaccines. The had a mobile vaccination arrangement at Caesar Chavez. Nicki will ask to have the LMHB noticed so that we can share the information to help increase participation. Robin concerned that this is an equity issue if we are not all receiving this information. Nicki will speak with Brian. Being noticed will allow us to share through our own connections and give a heads up about upcoming vaccination clinics. Per Karen, our intent of providing at the housing was to improve equity. Everyone in PRK hotels that was willing have been

vaccinated. All our residents in PTG have been vaccinated. We are relying on social workers to spread the word to get them vaccinated.

**4. Approval of Agenda:** Moved by Richard, Nick 2nd

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**Motion:**

**5. Approval Minutes:** Moved by Antonia, Rachel 2nd

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**Motion:** amended to add Maria in attendance

**6. Member Announcements:**

- Antonia-reached out to Senator Dodd they met in early January, encouraged them to review 988, Assembly member Ramos submitted a bill. If you want to reach out to senator curry or Dodd it will help us with Crisis line. Assembly Bill 8270. We need 2/3 of each house of legislature because it's a fee on our cell phone bill to fund crisis centers and crisis prevention line. Slated to roll out July 22. 988 is a warm line.

**7. Correspondence:** None

**8. Time Set Agenda:** None

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

**COVID-**Yolo County has given out 21964 1<sup>st</sup> doses of the COVID vaccine, 11547 for both 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> injections received for a total 33,511 vaccinated or 15% of our Community.

**RFP-**have closed our FSP, by next month hopefully we will have announcement for vendors. Next month we are sending out RFP for Mobile Clinic. We got MOU's with district we have completed. Hoping to have K12 contracts up by beginning of next school year. We may get 3-5 interested. We had a lot of interest in the FSP and had a lot of applicants.

**Crisis Now-**Abbreviations: TA=Technical Assistance, RI international is the company we are learning from.

**PTG-**West House was purchased by Kathy Williams-Fossdahl; she is spending \$86,000 in upgrades. Putting in new roof and new solar panels. Will have it fixed up nicely before she donates to Yolo County.

**PRK/Homekey-**long-term care and resources for after COVID. Every hotel has case manager teams. 86 people have been housed. City of West Sacramento have purchased the Rodeway, so the residents currently placed will be able to stay pending behavior.

**Yolo Drug Diversion DA Proposal**-Karen to send out link to language. Locally having discussion around language in the bill. Karen very actively communication with DA with the proposal as it is written. We are happy to support the bill if it doesn't include misdemeanors. If the people are headed to jail any ways, we are supportive. HHSa has sent a memo expressing their concerns, it will go to Board of Supervisors and be made public at that time. Bill language just came out Friday and we will have it on the agenda for next month. Robin would like LMHB to track the bill so that Local Mental Health Board can submit their position. May want to create an Ad HOC to review proposed legislation. This legislation is for crimes that they say are drug motivated, but they don't involve drug crimes because those were eliminated.

**Department of State Hospitals**-pick 3 counties to do demonstration project. People found incompetent to stand trial the county will be responsible for housing. DSH would like Yolo to be one of those counties. We have about 28 people that this applies to and they want to give us 3 million to care for them. Felony incompetent who would normally go to state hospital will stay in our new wing in jail until they are restored to competency. In the past we might send to an IMD facility, some people may live locally in supportive environment. It depends on what point they are in recovery. These are people already in jail who will now be able to receive medication and treatment and the care they need in order to restore competency. No movement for months because of COVID, we used to have relatively short timelines before COVID.

## REGULAR AGENDA

1. **Board of Supervisors Report Presented by Angel Barajas**- Not Provided
  
2. **Criminal Justice Update**: Not provided
  
3. **Public Comment on Agenda Items**- Phil Garrity member of save Pine Tree Gardens Committee- wants to know eligibility requirements for FSP clients. There are clients with FSP at less restrictive facilities. What are ideal pathways from more restrictive to less restrictive and how is FSP a part of that? Confused if it's a short-term crisis program. Some go to Caesar Chavez and get full wrap around services. Would like to know more. How do clients move toward semi or fully independent living?
  
4. **Future Meeting Planning and Adjournment**

**a) What kind of committees should we implement?**

**Criminal Justice/Mental Health Crossover**-County committee related to Criminal Justice issues because crossover is so immense. Missing a large amount of overlap with Criminal justice issues.

**Legislative Committee**- is tasked to review proposed legislation and report to the LMHB on legislation of note. The committee will also serve as a direct point of contact to local and statewide legislative leaders

**Racial Equity and Diversity Committee**-JEDI: Justice, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion

**Education Committee**

**b) How do you want to plan future meetings?**

We used to offer presentations at every meeting, but it absorbed a lot of time. Last year we decided to reduce presentations to no more than half of the meetings. Four members would like to have more presentations.

**Next meeting:** March 29<sup>th</sup> by ZOOM

**Meeting Adjourned at:** 7:50pm