

## Local Mental Health Board Meeting

Monday, April 24th, 2023

Online/Call-in ZOOM

Members Present: Joe Galvan, Maria Simas, Nicki King, Inesita Arce, Sue Jones, John Archuleta, Chris Bulkeley, Jonathan Raven, Brad Anderson, Robin Rainwater

Members Absent: Matthew Hargrove, Serena Durand, Warren Hawley, Carol Christensen,

### CALL TO ORDER

**Welcome and Introductions:** Meeting called to order by Jonathan Raven at 6:04 pm

**Public Comment:**

- Received by Jen Boschee-Danzer of Nami Yolo-states she attended Bob Schelen memorial and noted they did a great job of memorializing him and his sister and the service was very well-done.

**Chair Report:**

- Jonathan Raven noted that we have a vacancy for Vice-Chair and Secretary on the Board and would like to have volunteers willing to hold those roles. He also notes that District 5 has a vacancy and encourages the board members and guest to refer interested candidates. Can find the application in the provided [LINK](#).
- New Board Member Joe Galvan made his introductions and shared his experience in Criminal Justice and Law Enforcement field.

**Approval of Agenda:** Maria Simas moved, Brad Anderson 2nd

Yea "I"	Nay	Abstention
9	0	0

Motion: None

**Approval of Meeting Minutes from February 27, 2023:** Maria Simas Moved, Brad Anderson 2nd

Yea "I"	Nay	Abstention
9	0	0

Motion: approved

**Approval of Meeting Minutes from March 27, 2023:** Maria Simas Moved, Brad Anderson 2nd

Yea "I"	Nay	Abstention
7	0	2

Motion: approved with amendment to attendance showing Robin Rainwater was present at meeting.

\*No motion to change meeting time to 5:30PM was made. Meeting time will remain as 6pm and will continue to be in person at 25 N Cottonwood Street in the Community Room of the Gonzales Building.

### **Member Announcements:**

- Brad Anderson wanted to apologize for missing Bob Schelen Memorial, but he is happy to hear it was a beautiful ceremony.
- Jonathan Raven-SB551 Bill to make amendments to have increase dollars extended toward Youth & early prevention. More money Earmarked for those types of programs. Also, 551 changes the make-up of LMHBs. Currently the 5 supervisors appoint 3 members to the board each and the board must be comprised of 20% lived experience with mental health, 20 % family members of those experience mental health, and 1 Veteran. The amendment would change the requirement to include the above as well at 20% school employees and 20% Transition Age Youth (TAY). This bill is largely supported by Santa Clara Office of Education. Many have spoke in opposition to this since it will present challenges to smaller counties.
- Nicki King-states she attended Bob Schelen Memorial that was held on Saturday at the Odd fellows Hall in Davis. States it was a nice event with about 30 people in attendance. It was nice to learn more about him and different aspects of his life outside of Mental Health Services. She learned about his work in the Democratic Party and Odd Fellows and wants everyone to know it was very heartwarming.

**Correspondence:** None received

### **Time Set Agenda**

MHSA Budget Update Presentation [Link](#)-Brian Vaughn and Karleen Jakowski

Board Comments on MHSA Budget Update:

- Joe Galvan-Is a portion of MHSA Funding budget in HHSa paid directly to Local Law Enforcement. Karleen Jakowski asked that Christina forward a copy of the MHSA Annual Update to Joe Galvan for review of funding breakdown but discussed HHSa is working on salary evaluation for Crisis Co Responders that HHSa Hires and embeds with the city. It's a process that includes working closely with the Unions looking at a possible pay differential. Problem with pay differential is that it's capped & limited, and it may help but not resolve the problem.
- Karleen states the Clinicians in Yolo overall need to have salaries "right-sized" to be competitive. We currently are in comparison with Sutter County and Yuba County, but our actual competitors are Sacramento and Solano County, and we can't compete with those.
- Maria Simas asked if the Board can get a Drill Down of what ACCESS covers.
- Karleen and Brian state the budget discussion today is at the State Level, but they will have local level review by next board meeting.
- Karleen notes that on the ballot for 2024 the Governor is proposing a major do-away with funding components under MHSA. The hearing will be held the 1<sup>st</sup> week of May. It will look like this: Housing 30%, FSP 30%, and 35% other which is a 10% decrease of funding overall. The local

impact at this time is unknown yet, CBHDA is working on what that impact will look like. If it goes into effect, we will be right in the middle of our 3-year plan.

- Joe Galvan-asks why not use General Fund? Karleen states Yolo County doesn't get much in the way of General Fund in comparison to other counties.
- Karleen Jakowski-MHSA Funds Core Services that we have no other funding source for and we already take away from Social Services to cover Mental Health.
- Nicki King-what's the reason for low medi-cal billing for schools? Karleen Jakowski states that what could be contributing is that all but one had no history for billing medi-cal and 1 provider took a long time for site certification. We also suspect that there have been some referrals happening to provide services to those who could otherwise not be served. We are reducing the MHSA funds for next year and hoping to get some financial investments from schools.
- Brian and Karleen will be sending over a MHSA Budget draft to the board, as usual it will be posted for public comment which is 30 days, and they will return to the board with those comments before it goes to the board in July/August.

Public Comments on MHSA Update: None

## **Consent Agenda**

### **Mental Health Directors Report-Karleen Jakowski**

**Cal Aim**-Hope is to have more in Medi-cal revenue, but we will have to review in 6 months. It changes everything, the cost report goes away. Coding is changing to CPT codes which require many changes and will take longer for implementation. It becomes an I.T. project as well because we must transition the billing to CPT and training providers how to bill using this new coding.

**Crisis Now**- Contracting out beds when you say local provider is that a nonprofit? Transportation provided? How far away will transportation be provider. Putting out an RFP with language around short-term beds. Then ability to transition into longer stays. Our intent will be a local provider in Yolo County. Adding as a preferred qualification which would give a higher scoring. Referral to come from County mental health, Hospital Systems etc. Ideally, we would stabilize in crisis chair, when someone is unable to stabilize in that time frame then they would provide warm handoff to crisis bed. Our funding needs to go beyond crisis chairs because there will be others stepping down from beds. Will be going back to the Board of Supervisors with new proposal, this will be a very different proposal than what was originally submitted. Beds will be determined by data and determining city of origin. We will pilot in Woodland. Using some technical assistance from RA consultants and the tools they use to calculate need. We have to use funds by December.

**IST Growth Cap Penalty**-Where is funding coming from for penalty payment? We are developing a Workgroup that CAO office will convene. Will look to see how Crisis Now stands up. Also, effort from CSAC to push back on some of this. As of right now source of funding has not been identified. Currently we are projected to be \$421,000. Prevent them from ever being deemed incompetent and the only way to prevent is to keep them from going to jail. Hoping state advocacy will help make some adjustment. Some counties have found error in the numbers they

used, and we are still working on finding those numbers. Jonathan says it's not about preventing someone from going to jail, it happens way before they do something before police are involved.

## **Regular Agenda**

**Board of Supervisors Report:** None

**Criminal Justice Update:** Chris Bulkeley

- We received the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant which will help fund three positions including a HHSA Social Worker, and a Mental Health Case Manager. Yolo DA's grant application was ranked # 1 in the state for mid-sized counties.
- The two Prop 47 grants are inching forward to becoming active.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items:** None

- **Future Meeting Planning and Adjournment:**
  - Karleen wants everyone to know that May is Mental Health Awareness Month. HHSA worked with a company called Calm Strips to design some green ribbons. They have a cool tactile design and brought some to share with everyone.
  - Chris Bulkeley states the NAMI walk will be held on May 6<sup>th</sup> and the DA has put together a team called The Stigma Stoppers, and they invite everyone to join. The event will be held in Land Park.

Next Meeting: May 22, 2023, at 6pm

Adjourned: 7:53