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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD
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*Before the Behavioral Health Advisory Board
County of Mendocino, State of California*

Minutes – March 16, 2016

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD

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REGULAR MEETING SPECIAL SESSION

ALL AGENDA ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – OPEN SESSION, CALL TO ORDER, AND ROLL CALL,
QUORUM NOTICE, AGENDA CHANGES - 3 MINUTES**

Chair Wetzler called the meeting to order (10:00) AM

Roll call taken by Member Ortiz

Behavioral Health Board members present (16):

Kate Gaston, Nancy Sutherland, John Wetzler, Dina Ortiz, Denise Gorny, Emily Strachan, Roger Schwartz, Cathy Harpe, Tammy Lowe, Jan McGourty, Lois Lockart, Jill McCaughna, John Gilmore, Maureen O'Sullivan, Margie Handley, Board of Supervisors representation, Supervisor John McCowen

Chair Wetzler noted that a quorum was present at (10:06) AM

HHSa Staff Present: Carolyn Peckham, BHRS Acting Administrative Secretary; Heidi Poor, HHSa Office Assistant III; Todd Storti, Mental Health Administrative Services Manager; Sharon Post, HHSa Administration Staff Services Analyst I; Carmel Angelo, Chief Executive Officer, Mendocino County

Providers and Members of the Public Present: Mark Montgomery, Psy D, Vice president of Operations Ortnier Management Group; Todd Harris, MFT, Clinical Director Ortnier Management Group; Chandra Gonsales, Program Manager Redwood Community Crisis Center; Camille Schraeder, Executive Director Redwood Community Services; Wynd Novotny, Executive Director Manzanita Services; Grace Fantulin, Patient's Rights Advocate Mendocino County; Anna Shaw, Executive Director Hospitality Center; Josephine Silva, Family Member; Dan Anderson, Clinical Director Redwood Community Services; Joanna Olsen,

Executive Director Mendocino County Youth Project; Sonya Nesch, Vice President NAMI Mendocino

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – APPROVAL AND DISCUSSION OF FEBRUARY 17, 2016 (REGULAR MEETING) MINUTES– DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEM TO APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE MINUTES – 5 MINUTES

Regular Meeting – *Handout*
February 17, 2016

Board Action: Upon motion by Member Schwartz, seconded by Member Gilmore, and carried with the following YAY votes from: Chair Wetzler, Vice Chair Sutherland, Members Harpe, Gorny, Strachan, McGourty, McCaughna, Gilmore, Gaston, Handley, O’Sullivan, Schwartz, and Lowe with the following member abstaining: Member Ortiz: IT IS ORDERED at 10:06 AM that the Behavioral Health Advisory Board approved the minutes from the February 17, 2016 BHAB regular meeting.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – APPROVAL AND DISCUSSION OF JANUARY 11, 2016 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES (SELECT NEW MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTOR)– DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEM TO APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE MINUTES – 5 MINUTES

Special Meeting -*Handout*
January 11, 2016

Board Action: Upon motion by Member Ortiz, seconded by Member Gaston, and carried with the following YAY votes from: Chair Wetzler, Vice Chair Sutherland, Members Harpe, Gorny, Strachan, Ortiz, McCaughna, Gilmore, Gaston, Handley, O’Sullivan, Schwartz, and Lowe, with the following member abstaining: Member McGourty: IT IS ORDERED at 10:09 AM that the Behavioral Health Advisory Board approved the minutes from the January 11, 2016 BHAB special meeting.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – APPROVAL AND DISCUSSION OF FEBRUARY 26, 2016 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES (KEMPER REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS) – DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEM TO APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE MINUTES – 5 MINUTES

Special Meeting -*Handout*
February 26, 2016

- Deferred to next BHAB meeting 4/20/16
- Adjustment to the minutes will include vote information taken at the 2/26/16 meeting will be included in the minutes and the detailed notes taken by Member Ortiz.

Board Action: Upon motion by Member Schwartz, seconded by Member Gaston, and carried with the following YAY votes from: Chair Wetzler, Vice Chair Sutherland, Members Harpe, Gorny, Strachan, Ortiz, McCaughna, Gilmore, Gaston, Handley, O’Sullivan, Schwartz, McGourty, Lockart, and Lowe: IT IS ORDERED at 10:18 AM that the Behavioral Health Advisory Board defer the minutes from the February 26, 2016 BHAB special meeting until the April 20, 2016 meeting.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – TREASURER & SECRETARY REPORTS - DISCUSSION & ACTION - 5 MINUTES
Behavioral Health Board Expense Report – *Handout*

Treasurer Gaston Report:

- The Behavioral Health Advisory Board has a remaining balance of \$4,973.12 for FY 2015/16.
- Treasurer Gaston recommended that some funds be moved from the Out of County Travel budget to the In County Travel budget.

- Discussion of the process to move funds, Treasurer Gaston will follow up with County Fiscal Department on the recommendation from Supervisor McCowen. Deferred for further discussion/action at the April 20, 2016 BHAB meeting.
- Discussions of the need for a BHAB finance Committee to review and make recommendations to the Board.
- Treasurer Gaston reminded members that if they have expenses they need to turn them in ASAP so the board can get a better view of the remaining funds.

Board Action: Upon motion by Member Schwartz, seconded by Member Harpe and carried with the following YAY votes from: Chair Wetzler, Vice Chair Sutherland, Members Harpe, Gorny, Ortiz, Strachan, McGourty, McCaughna, Gilmore, Gaston, Lockart, Handley, O’Sullivan, Schwartz, and Lowe: IT IS ORDERED at 10:26 AM that the Behavioral Health Advisory Board accepted the remaining FY 15/16 balance of \$4,973.12.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – PUBLIC COMMENT FORMAT – DISCUSSION & PUBLIC COMMENT - VICE CHAIR READS MISSION STATEMENT – 15 MINUTES OR AT CHAIR’S DISCRETION

Citizen and Community comments and questions regarding Mental Health Services in the County are welcomed and encouraged and are one of the mandated functions of the Behavioral Health Advisory Board. Comments will be limited to three minutes or longer, at the discretion of the Chair. Speakers do not have to identify themselves as per the CA Welfare & Institutions Code.

Members of the public wishing to make comments to the Mendocino County Behavioral Health Advisory Board, you will be recognized at this time. Public comment is also requested at each agenda item particular to that agenda subject matter.

Board members may only “briefly respond” to public comments as any lengthy response would convert the conversation into an illegal discussion of an item not on the agenda.

Record of Public Comment will be documented by the Behavioral Health Advisory Board Secretary and added as an addendum to the minutes.

Mendocino County Behavioral Health Advisory Board Mission Statement:

“To be committed to consumers, their families and the delivery of quality care with the goals of recovery, human dignity, and the opportunity for individuals to meet their full potential.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 - REPORT FROM THE CHAIR – JOHN WETZLER CHAIR BHAB – 30 MINUTES OR AT THE CHAIR’S DISCRETION

- a. Chair Wetzler will introduce Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer Carmel Angelo to address the current events in process to transition Mental Health Adult Services to a new in County provider system of care.

Chair recognized Carmel Angelo, Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer to report on the current transition plans and progress in response to the recent resignation of Ortner Management Group as of June 30, 2016.

- March 1, 2016 BOS gave direction to County staff to move forward with the Kemper Report recommendations. March 2, 2016 County received a call from Tom Ortner giving verbal notice of resignation as of June 30, 2016. March 9, 2016 received a letter from Ortner Management Group formally resigning.

- CEO Angelo has met with County staff, Redwood Quality Management Company (RQMC) and Ortnier Management Group (OMG) to begin the planning process to proceed with transitioning services. The Transition Team has met, and will continue to meet, to look at what services will be provided by County Staff and RQMC.
- RQMC has agreed to help by taking crisis services and most of the adult services during the transition with Med Services coming back to the County.
- The proposed plan is that there will be no disruption in adult client services.
- CEO Angelo requested that the county delay the previously proposed RFP for 1 year, the BOS has agreed to the RFP delay so that County staff can concentrate on the transition going smoothly for clients. The estimated time frame to get the transitions stabilized will be 1 year.
- CEO Angelo plans to go back to the April 5, 2016 BOS meeting with a contract between the County and RQMC regarding their involvement in the transition of the Adult System of Care, this contract will be valid until June 30, 2016. There will be no disruption or changes of services to the Children and TAY clients. The new contract will reflect the recommendations from the Kemper Report.
- The direction from the BOS regarding the Kemper Report will not change, staff will move forward with the recommendations simultaneously with the transition.
- After June 30, 2016 the County will be entering into new contracts with RQMC, one contract will be for adult services the other for children/TAY services for the FY 2016/2017.
- CEO Angelo has requested staff put together a best and worst case scenarios budget for the additional costs of the transition. The extra cost will be for RQMC to rev up their staffing to be able to provide the required services.
- CEO Angelo commends Jenine Miller for jumping in and doing her job.
- CEO Angelo has given direction to Human Resources to prioritize the request to fill for BHRS. The HHS Director Position (Stacey Cryer) has been open for recruitment since February. There are already 3 applicants. The reviews have been slated for 3 weeks; CEO Angelo's hope is that the announcement of the new HHS Director will happen mid-April, with the New Director starting the first of May.
- Discussion regarding having a representative from BHAB included on the interview panel. Supervisor McCowen and CEO Angelo both thought it could be possible.
- CEO Angelo asked if the BHAB members wanted her to attend the April 20, 2016 BHAB meeting in Boonville. The Members were in unanimous agreement with CEO Angelo attending more of the BHAB meetings to keep the members up to date with BOS and Transition Team decisions and progress.

b. Report from the Chair – Handout

Chair Wetzler report:

- Discussion of adding to the BHAB agenda, an agenda item labeled, Current Events (discussion only no action to be taken). This agenda item would allow for discussion of events taking place after the final BHAB agenda has been posted as required by the Brown Act.
- Chair Wetzler thanked the BHAB members for the work done on the recommendations regarding the Kemper Report.
- Discussion of BHAB needing better communications between the board and Mental Health and the BOS regarding financial information.

- Chair Wetzler would like to request a standing itemized agenda space for BHAB at the BOS meetings.
- Discussion of having joint meetings between BHAB members and BOS members. Suggested by Supervisor McCowen.
- Member Gaston suggested that the BHAB look into having a joint meeting with HHS Advisory Board also as some services overlap.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 - DIRECTOR'S REPORT – JENINE MILLER, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND RECOVERY SERVICES DIRECTOR – 30 MINUTES OR AT THE CHAIR'S DISCRETION

- a. Director's Report – Handout
 - Wellness Grant Progress Report
 - MHS updates regarding Annual Plan Approval Deadlines
 - MHS Housing update
 - Update on AOT status and progress on AOT Coordinator Position.
- b. BHRS Newsletter – Handout
 - **Director Report included:**
 - **Board of Supervisors:**
 - **Recently passed items or presentations:**
 - **Mental Health:**
 - Kemper Consulting Group Mental Health Review
 - Mental Health Request for Proposal Process
 - **Substance Use Disorder Treatment (SUDT):**
 - Appointment of Jenine Miller as Substance Use Disorder Treatment Administrator
 - **Future BOS items or presentations:**
 - **Mental Health:**
 - SB 82 Wellness Grant Peer Respite Center Grant
 - Mental Health: May is Mental Health Month proclamation and presentation – May 2016
 - **SUDT:**
 - April is Alcohol Awareness Month, proclamation and presentation – April 2016
 - **Staffing Updates:**
 - **Departures:**
 - SUDT: 1 – Substance Abuse Counselor
 - **Audits/Site Reviews:**
 - **Date occurred and report out of findings:**
 - DHCS MH Medi-Cal Audit – October 2015 = waiting for report.
 - DHCS SUDT Medi-Cal Audit – November 2015 = waiting for report.
 - **Upcoming/scheduled:**
 - SUDT policy and Fiscal monitoring Compliance Review = April 7-8, 2016

- **Legislative updates from CBHDA:**
 - AB 1644 School-based Early Mental Health intervention and Prevention Services: Support
 - AB 1884 Specialized License Plates: Mental Health Awareness: Support
 - AB 1915 Homelessness; Affordable Housing
 - SB 1273 Crisis Stabilization Units: Funding
 - AB 1174 Medi-Cal: Children Prescribing Patterns

- **Meetings of interest:**
- **April 2016:**
 - Quality Improvement Committee Meeting, April 28, 2016 from 3:30 – 5:30 pm at Mendocino coast Hospitality House, Fort Bragg, CA
- **May 2016:**
 - Cultural Diversity Committee Meeting, May 19, 2016 from 1:30 – 3:30 pm at Mendocino coast Hospitality House, Fort Bragg, CA

- **Grant opportunities:**
 - SB 82 Peer Respite Center Grant: Applied March 8, 2016 for \$500,000 for Peer Respite Center

- **Significant Projects/Brief Status:**
 - Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT): AB 1421 Laura’s Law:
 - Referrals to date: 1 preliminary referral, investigation/screening for qualifications
 - Updates:
 - Program implemented on January 1, 2016. Susanne Yonts-Baughman is the interim AOT Coordinator, and is able to accept and triage referrals.
 - Referral form completed and posted to County website.
 - Recruitment is at Human Resources.

- **SB 82 Wellness Grant: Crisis Residential Treatment:**
 - \$500,000 funding was approved for a 10 bed respite center.
 - Research is being done on models of Crisis Residential.

- **Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Annual Update:**
 - Changes to PEI regulations move PEI categories from 3 (Prevention, Education, and Early Intervention) to 6 (Prevention, Early Intervention, Outreach for increasing recognitions and early signs of mental illness, stigma & Discrimination reduction, Access and linkage to treatment, programs to improve timely access to underserved populations, suicide prevention).
 - Changes to categories and reporting requirements are requiring a significant look at where existing programs fit, and whether changes will need to be made with ASOs. The goal is to make as few changes as necessary, to use stakeholder feedback from forums when changes need to be made. If large changes are made, we will make special time for discussing those as part of the annual update process.

- Target Dates for Plan Update: Early Draft to BHAB early April for feedback, Public Comment Period mid-April-mid-May, BOS calendar for approval June 7 or 14.
 - DHCS recommended changes to the way we do our annual update process. It will contain two components: a summary of the prior year program strengths and challenges. This will be based on stakeholder feedback through the CPP process and provider challenges brought to our attention. The Annual update will be a separate document that will include plans for the coming year based off feedback from the summary document.
- **MHSA Housing:**
 - Survey Period was extended following recommendation by BHAB to have targeted Q/A feedback at consumer friendly venues on a consumer basis.
 - Consumer Q/A and Survey provided at Action Network, Gualala, Mendocino Coast Hospitality Center, Fort Bragg, Manzanita Services, Ukiah, and Family Resource Center, Laytonville.
 - Results of the Survey will be available in the next Director's Report.
 - **Educational Opportunities/Information:**
 - Trauma Informed Training, March 16, 2016 from 9-4 pm at Ukiah Valley Conference Center, registration required.
 - Mark Ragins, MD – Advancing Recovery Training, April 5-6, 2016 (training is both days), at Mendocino Coast Hospitality Center, MHSA WET funded, registration required, registration link will be sent out March 21, 2016

Discussion/Comments from members on Director Report:

- Concern regarding loss of SUDT counselor, board questioned why. Todd Storti explained that there have been other additions to SUDT. They are developing the program and are in the 2nd phase now. They are working on stabilizing the staffing.
- Chair Wetzler expects to have a representative from BHRS if the Director cannot be at the BHAB meeting.
- Discussion on AB 1421 AOT (Laura's Law) concerned that there is only 1 referral to date, not enough people are aware of the program, and BHAB members would like to see a media blitz to get the information out.
- Discussion on the housing funding, Todd Storti explained that BHRS is going to apply for an extension as some of the plans have changed from the original information sent in.
- Some discussion on the Ethnicity graphs – would like more explanation of the information on the graphs; is the information only County numbers or are all agencies numbers included. Questioned who is referring adolescent clients to SUDT and what ages are considered adolescent.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – TODD STORTI, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH & RECOVERY SERVICES – PRESENTATION REGARDING MENTAL HEALTH AND ASO QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORTS – 15 MINUTES OR AT THE CHAIR’S DISCRETION

Todd Storti Report:

- Fiscal went live with the crossover of EHR billing information with RQMC and BHRS. They will be working over the next few months to get the rest of the needed information to start coming over. The transition plans will not delay the EHR completion.
- Chair Wetzler requested quarterly reports from Fiscal.
- Todd Storti presented Chair Wetzler with County of Mendocino – Health Human Services Agency – Budget Tracking printout for FY 15/16 Projections, FY 15/16 Budget, and FY 14/15 Budget.
- As the transition proceeds there will be extra expenses as we move forward, fiscal is reporting to CEO Angelo, regarding the expenditures.
- BHAB members request a report of how much the expected additional expenditure will be.

12:04 PM - CHAIR WETZLER AJOURNED FOR A 5 MINUTE BREAK

12:09 PM – CHAIR WETZLER RECONVIENED THE MEETING

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – RQMC AND OMG DATA AND UPDATES BY WRITTEN REPORT – 20 MINUTES OR AT THE CHAIR’S DISCRETION

- a. Redwood Quality Management - *Handout and brief presentation*
Tim Schraeder, MFT – Chief Executive Officer to answer questions – 5 minutes

Dan Anderson and Chandra Gonsales reporting for RQMC:

- RQMC’s goal through the transition is to make sure the clients don’t suffer distress. They are looking at crisis services, and making sure, hospitals, Law Enforcement, the jail, and community partners are in place and onboard so there will be no disruption in client services. RQMC is confident that the transition will move smoothly.
- Chandra acknowledged that there will be some degree of stress and anxiety for clients, consumers and their families, but the sooner the transition is completed and clients are stabilized the better. They plan on using Grace Fantulin, Patient’s Rights Advocate as it would be a big help in soothing the clients.
- Dan requested that if the BHAB board members hear rumors or have questions to please contact RQMC.
- RQMC will be contracting with Redwood Community Services for all crisis services as they have been doing crisis for the children and TAY. Some of the current staff has experience with the adult crisis services, when Mental Health services were contracted out by the County; crisis services were combined then later separated. Crisis responders will be cross trained for adults and children/TAY populations.
- Full Service Partners (FSP) will be assessed and have post crisis follow up care whether they are hospitalized or not. There will be some shift in the way things are done.
- RQMC is looking at having regional support teams for crisis follow up in communities around the county. They are also looking at having a local clinician for Fort Bragg, Willits and Ukiah to be part of the care management team.

- RQMC will be hiring additional staff to provide services for adult clients. They will be advertising in the newspapers, on-line job advertising sites, and on RCS's website for positions needed, hoping to get some bi-lingual staff also. Chandra hopes to be fully staffed by the time the transition happens June 30, 2016.
- RQMC will be building on the work that Mark Montgomery and Todd Harris (OMG) have already done in the communities with providers; Manzanita, MCAVHN, and Hospitality Center.

b. Ortner Management Group - *Handout and brief presentation*

Mark Montgomery, Psy D-Vice President of Operations to answer questions – 5 minutes

Mark Montgomery reporting for Ortner Management Group (OMG):

- OMG supports the Kemper Report findings.
- OMG came into the contract with the County expecting to use AVATAR as their EHR, which did not happen.
- OMG had requested the Quality Improvement Plan, Policies & Procedures and documentation and reporting from the beginning of the contract and had never received the requested documents.
- The talk is as if the adult system of care is broken, it is not broken, the ASO's have made it better and were the reason the EQRO report was better than in the past. The problem is with the community comments. Manzanita, MCAVHN, iCMS, and Hospitality Center have transformed the adult system of care.
- OMG had an agreement with County CEO to have a transition plan, all OMG has received was a joint letter regarding clients.
- Discussed OMG budget and where the money goes. Board of Supervisors (BOS) have been asking for an accounting of the administrative costs for OMG, the report was submitted to the BOS.
- Mark stated it is contract time and expressed concerned about sub-provider's contracts.
- OMG will be just as transparent with the County as they were with OMG when they transitioned the clients to OMG.
- Mark thanked the BHAB members for their "can do" attitude.

Todd Harris reporting for Ortner Management Group (OMG):

- Todd stated he has an e-mail stating the County was transitioning 85 clients in the beginning, so at this time iCMS is serving roughly 450 clients, the other providers, Manzanita, Hospitality Center and MCAVHN have additional clients.
- Todd stated there was a lot of pent up need for mental health services.
- Discussion of the medication clients transferred by the County, as much as 98% did not have up to date paperwork (assessments, care plans etc.).
- Thanked the BHAB members for their help and support.

Discussion from BHAB members regarding their appreciation of OMG and the work they have done on behalf of the County.

12:00 P.M. BREAK - 25 MINUTES OR AT THE CHAIR'S DISCRETION

Chair Wetzler adjourned for a lunch break at 1:12 PM
Reconvened at 1:28 PM

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 – UPDATE KEMPER REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS/RFP PROCESS – SUPERVISOR JOHN MCCOWEN 2ND DISTRICT UPDATE BOS MEETINGS MARCH 1, 2016 AND MARCH 15, 2016 - 30 MINUTES OR AT THE CHAIR’S DISCRETION

BOS update from Supervisor McCowen:

- BOS made the decision to approve the transition plan, with the understanding it is a work in progress. A lot has been done in the last 2 weeks; the county staff has taken this very seriously.
- Lee Kemper has been contracted to assist with the transition plan. Supervisor McCowen stated the contract is not well done and represents an unbroken chain of sloppy contracts from the County. This contract was done under the direction of the CEO. He wants the contracts the County writes to be better.
- Supervisor McCowen believes the contract for Lee Kemper to assist with the transition is \$50,000, but will check and report back to BHAB the correct amount.
- The Contract Administrator that is expected to be hired will be dedicated to the transition contracts. They will need support from both program and fiscal.
- Discussion of the costs for the transition plans; the Kemper Report does not recommend more money for the corrections.
- Discussion of hiring or not a psychiatrist, the county has not had a psychiatrist on the staff for many years due to limited resources.
- BHAB By-Laws were not approved at the last BOS meeting: Supervisor McCowen had recommended the By-Laws be approved by the BOS then be amended as parts of the By-Laws were inaccurate. Member Sutherland will contact County Counsel Katharine Elliot regarding changes to the By-Laws. The By-Laws should be on the consent calendar for the next BOS meeting if these issues have been corrected and there be a “red line” version for the board to see what was changed.
- Discussion of how BHAB and the BOS could work more closely with each other and avoid the fiasco that just occurred.
- Discussion was had by BHAB members regarding a letter to BOS outlining BHAB’s displeasure with BOS not taking into consideration BHAB’s recommendations before making decisions on the Kemper Report.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12 – COMMITTEE REPORTS – AD HOC COMMITTEE UPDATES IN PREPARATION OF FINAL REPORTS DUE APRIL 30, 2016 – 20 MINUTES OR AT THE CHAIR’S DISCRETION

Chair Wetzler requested that all reports from the Standing Committees be to him by April 30, 2016 so he can prepare his annual report.

Finance Committee – Member McGourty reported that she has put together the following members to be on the committee: Members Lockart, Gaston, Handley, Wetzler, McGourty, and non BHAB members Jacque Williams, BOS Supervisor Tom Woodhouse, and Donna Moschetti, plus some anonymous helpers.

Discussion on whether Jacque Williams qualifies to be on the committee, due to her connection with Ford Street.

Board Action: Upon motion by Member Gorny, seconded by Member O’Sullivan, and carried with the following YAY votes from: Chair Wetzler, Vice Chair Sutherland, Members Harpe, Gorny, Strachan, Ortiz, McCaughna, Gilmore, Handley, O’Sullivan, Schwartz, and Lowe: IT IS ORDERED at 2:20 PM that

the Behavioral Health Advisory Board approved the list of recruits for the Standing Finance Committee.

Cultural Competency Committee – No report at this time.

AB1421 Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) (Laura’s Law) Committee Report:

Chair Wetzler will be in contact with AOT Coordinator Suzanne Yonts-Baughman. Member Sutherland suggested the PRA take the AOT information out to the communities, the PRA has not been authorized to work on AOT.

Co-occurring Disorders Committee: Members McCaughna, O’Sullivan, Sutherland, and Harpe will work on educating BHAB and community on how a person with co-occurring disorders can be treated as a whole person.

Audit Committee, the only audit recently was the Kemper Report, there has already been discussion on the Kemper Report.

Jail Committee: Members Handley, McGourty, and Harpe went on a tour of the jail. Discussion was had regarding the purposed tax that Sheriff Allman is backing. Sheriff Allman named off several boards and committees that he would like to be involved with the Board of 11 people to oversee the tax allocations if it passes. Member O’Sullivan requested to be BHAB’s representative for the Board if the tax passes.

Member O’Sullivan’s report from Town Hall Meeting March 13, 2016 in Willits: There were 35 people in attendance including Sheriff Allman, BHAB Members O’Sullivan and Handley, BOS Supervisor Woodhouse, Wynd Novotny from Manzanita, Chandra Gonsales from RQMC, Dr. Timme, psychiatrist, and Sam Fernandez from Hillside Clinic . There was discussion of the tax proposal the sheriff is backing and what he thinks it should be used for. One option that was discussed was the purchase of the old Howard Hospital building to be used for mental health services.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13 – BOARD DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE ROLE OF THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD AS THE COUNTY MOVES FORWARD WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF KEMPER RECOMMENDATIONS AND THE CONTRACT AND/OR RFP PROCESS – 30 MINUTES OR AT THE CHAIR’S DISCRETION

Action Item: form an ad hoc committee to address how can the BHAB play a constructive role in the advising Behavioral Health & Recovery Services and the Board of Supervisors regarding the implementation of the Kemper recommendations and the contract renegotiation/RFP process? Discussion was had regarding BHAB have a standing agenda item on the BOS agenda to discuss BHRS events.

March 21, 2016 is BOS Standing Committee Training.
BHAB will discuss how to move forward.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 14 - CORRESPONDENCE AND BACKUP MATERIALS RECEIVED AND FILED

- OMG Data
 - BHAB Data Dashboard Report
 - OMG Hospitalization Report
 - ACCESS / Crisis Response Report – February 2016
- RQMC Data

- BHAB Data Dashboard Report
- RQMC Hospitalization Report

AGENDA ITEM NO. 15 – AGENDA ITEM HANDOUTS:


- BHAB draft meeting minutes – January 11, 2016
- BHAB draft meeting minutes – February 17, 2016
- BHAB draft special meeting minutes – February 26, 2016
- Treasurer’s Report
- Report from the Chair
- Director’s Report
- BHRS Newsletter – March 16, 2016 Issue #3
- County of Mendocino – Health Human Services Agency – Budget Tracking
- HHSA Org Chart dated 2/23/16

Meeting adjourned by Chair Wetzler at 2:50 PM

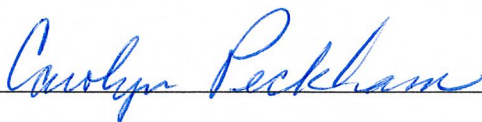
Thank you for your interest in the proceedings of the Mendocino County Behavioral Health Advisory Board.

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Nancy Sutherland, Chair
JOHN WETZLER



Attest: Carolyn Peckham, Acting Administrative Secretary, BHRS