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**MARIN COUNTY  
ADVISORY BOARD ON ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG PROGRAMS**

June 6, 2016 @ 6:30 P.M.

20 North San Pedro Road  
Conference Room – Point Reyes  
San Rafael, California 94903

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TIME	SUBJECT
6:33 PM	Call to Order
6:34 PM	Introductions: Introduce Board Members & New Candidates, Resignations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Board Members (5): Chris Holbrook, Michael Scippa, Penna Piper, Mark Dale, Christine Lam.</li> <li>• Staff Members (4): Taffy Lavie, Shae Cross, DJ Pearce, Dr. Suzanne Tavano.</li> <li>• Guests (5): Dr. Jean Hayes, Sharon Valentino (2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting), Donna DiGiorgio (2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting), Firefighter Tom Roach, John Riley (2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting).</li> </ul>
6:36 PM	Review of Agenda & Approval of Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes Not Approved: Tabled until next meeting because hardcopies were not present for all members to review.</li> <li>• Agenda Reviewed:</li> </ul>
6:37 PM	Open Public Time <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Firefighter Roach attended the Eloi Vasquez memorial race/event in Marin Headlands</li> </ul>
6:38 PM	Staff Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DJ Pearce:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Still working on MediCal waiver. Has not yet been fully approved. Still working on rates. No holdups. Just slow process.</li> <li>○ Beginning to recruit staff to open clinic for co-occurring disorder population. One supervisor and multiple staff positions are now open.</li> <li>○ HHS is discussing how to broadly educate the public about marijuana. One idea generated was that of an educational campaign around legalization and medicinal marijuana, although the County would steer clear from taking a formal position.</li> <li>○ Working on 'contracts'. Allocations will be sent out to contract providers in the next 30 days.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ New RFPs are coming out.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Adolescent services. Should be out in the next 2-3 weeks.</li> <li>▪ New Recovery Coaches (based upon a rotating position).</li> <li>▪ Case Manager/Interventionist/Counselor who will visit homebound seniors.</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ A new site has been located for County detox.</li> <li>● Dr. Suzanne Tavano             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Working with County Resources Department for a new classification for people with 'lived' mental health / substance abuse experience. Once this classification is established, other departments will most likely begin to use it.</li> <li>○ Trying to recruit a specific psychiatrist out of USCF to assist County programs. Not yet finalized. He is very knowledgeable in medical-assisted treatments.</li> <li>○ The Medical Health Director of San Mateo County recently spoke to a senior manager group at HHS. Will soon come back and speak directly with HHS medical providers. His results are superb in providing medical treatment to address craving for alcohol and opiates users.</li> <li>○ Being strongly encouraged in changing the provider name to: Marin Behavioral Health and Recovery Services.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p>6:48 PM</p>	<p>Presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Eloi Vasquez (ABC News Special).             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Presentation led by Mark Dale.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● FaceProject.org             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Also presented by Mark Dale.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Discussion on both items followed:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Sharon mentioned that local teens are injecting pure cocoa in order to stimulate the effects of drinking.</li> <li>○ DJ mentioned that for the adolescents treated in Marin for substance abuse (under 100), marijuana, over alcohol, is now the preferred drug of choice. For over 25 years alcohol was the primary.</li> <li>○ Other comments: increase breadth of peer mentoring, revamp DARE programs, and publish the alarming statistics of Marin underage drinking/drug usage rates. What do adolescents do if they don't drink? What are healthy alternatives to drinking?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p>7:43 PM</p>	<p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Should AOD/MH Boards merge?             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Many members feel positive about this potential merger.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● RxSafe Marin – Mark             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Steering committee meeting this Thursday.</li> <li>○ Started as Marin County Prescription Drug Task Force.</li> <li>○ 5 Action Teams: Data Collection &amp; Monitoring, Community Based Prevention, Intervention Treatment &amp; Recovery, Prescribers and Pharmacists, and Law Enforcement.</li> <li>○ Potential retraining of sworn DEA officers in the near future.</li> <li>○ Opiate refills no longer happening in ERs for non-patients.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<p>8:10 PM</p>	<p>Old Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2016 Future Presentations Discussion</li> </ul>
<p>7:55 PM</p>	<p>Committee Reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Legislative Update – Michael Scippa             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 9 or 10 bills that Alcohol Justice can support of 40 total alcohol-related bills.</li> <li>○ Both powdered alcohol bills are unopposed by both sides of legislature in CA: AB1554 and SB819. At some point in time these bills will merge.</li> <li>○ AB2687 would drop legal BAC level from .08 to .05 (similar to many other locales around the world). Bill is moving well.</li> <li>○ AB1322. RE: salons giving away alcohol to clients. Bill is stalled.</li> <li>○ AB2082: Gives director of ABC emergency powers to shut down a drinking outlet.</li> <li>○ Interlocking devices bill. This bill would make these devices mandatory for those convicted.</li> <li>○ UC Davis would like to sell wine as a non-profit.</li> <li>○ AB2121. Raises the ‘bar’ on bartender training. Would have to take certified course.</li> <li>○ SB1032. Would make beer and wine coupons illegal.</li> <li>○ CA Alcohol Beverage Control has a new director.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Membership Committee</li> <li>• Mental Health Board Liaison Report (Last Joint Meeting, 05/10/16)             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Quorum: Present for MHB. Not present for AOD.</li> <li>○ Resignations: Robbie Powelson announced that this would be his last meeting serving on the Mental Health Board.</li> <li>○ New Members: Brit Doyle has attended the requisite amount of meetings needed to join the AOD board. Mark Dale moved that he be preliminary approved. Christine Lam seconded. No members opposed.</li> <li>○ PANEL PRESENTATION: Increased methamphetamine prevalence                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Jim Ritchie (Recovery Coach): Disclosed briefly his professional background and personal experience.</li> <li>▪ Mike Dobbins (Marin County Sheriff Major Crimes Task Force): Introduced himself and gave brief introduction to his professional work.</li> <li>▪ Dr. Suzanne Tavano (Mental Health and Substance Use Services Director): Provided background history that served as rationale for holding this joint advisory board meeting.</li> <li>▪ Mark Dale: Briefly supplemented the report from Dr. Tavano.</li> <li>▪ Erin (Recovered Community Member): Provided her recovery history from methamphetamine addiction.</li> <li>▪ John (Recovered Community Member / General Manager for Marin Services for Men): Provided his recovery history from methamphetamine addiction.</li> <li>▪ Supervisor Rice: Would like to continue the discussion on the potential joining of the AOD and</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>MHB.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE SERVICES REPORT: Dr. Suzanne Tavano           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Recently received DHCS certification. Will soon begin the hiring process of ‘Substance Abuse Specialists’.</li> <li>▪ Applied for a grant dedicated to improve the structure of P.E.S. First wave of grant received, equaling \$945k.</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ COMMITTEE LIAISONS: RxSafe Marin           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 5 different action teams formed. Steering committee will meet this upcoming Thursday</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
8:17 PM	Adjournment
	Next Executive Board Meeting: Monday July 18, 2016 @5PM 20 North San Pedro Rd. Muir Woods Conference Room
	Next Board Meeting: Monday August 1, 2016 @6:30-8:30PM 20 North San Pedro Rd, Point Reyes Conference Room