**MARIN MENTAL HEALTH BOARD MEETING**  
**Tuesday, March 8, 2022**  
**6:00pm -7:30pm**  
Zoom Meeting  
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| 6:00 p.m.| Call to Order 6:00 pm  
Introductions  
Call for Quorum (Yes)  
In attendance: David Ruth, (Vice-Chair), Stephen Marks (Secretary), Maya Gladstern, Everett Brandon, Elaine Tokolahi  
Absent: Rachel Farac (Chair), Supervisor Rice, Stormy Miller Sabia, Kim Stafford  
Staff: Jei Africa, Benita McLarin, Steve Jones, Michael Wilson, Galen Main, Taffy Lavié  
Guests: Lisa Leavitt, Suzanne Kanner, Mark Dale, Laura Champion, Carolyn Verheyen, Francesca Tenenbaum, Judy Schutzman, Steve Kaplan |
| 6:05 p.m.| Review of Agenda / Review and approval of Minutes for February meeting  
Minutes approved by unanimous consent |
| 6:10 p.m.| Correspondence, Announcements and Public Comments (please limit to 3 minutes per speaker)  
- A harm reduction program was held at ERC to introduce the staff and volunteers to that philosophy; Would it be possible to get a NARCAN vending machine at the 3240 Kerner facility. |
| 6:15 p.m.| BHRS Director’s Report – Jei Africa  
- BHRS will be presenting BHRS budget together with HHS on Mon. 3/21  
- Request was made from Marin Housing Authority for BHRS staff to be available to residents due to the Golden Gate Village shooting  
- CalAIM efforts focused on continuing to build ECM infrastructure; Joined statewide effort through CalMHA to explore new Electronic Health Care Record  
- Suicide Prevention Collaborative highlights include the review of the draft of “From Compassion to Action” (toolkit for suicide prevention); Men and Boy’s Action Team was held on March 3rd  
- Marin County has been accepted for Phase 1 of Contingency Management Pilot which is an evidence-based practice for stimulant use disorders, reinforcing individual positive behavior change for stimulant non-use |
| 6:25 p.m.| Legislative Updates  
- **Governor Newson’s CARE Courts Proposal**  
  - Community Assessment, Recovery and Empowerment  
  - Presided by Superior Court Judge  
  - Focused on individuals suffering from psychosis  
  - 3 criteria: suspected of a crime, involuntary hold in a Psychiatric Emergency is ending, family believes person can’t care for themselves  
  - Advocates fear that forced treatment may violate civil rights |
- Worry about needed services (like supportive services and housing) when counties are already seeing an increase in needs

- **CalHHS Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative**
  - Develop 5-year outcome goal to improve overall health, social outcomes, and wellbeing for children and youth. The goals they would like to see are
    1. Eliminate stigma related to behavioral health conditions and normalize help-seeking and wellness
    2. Embed preventive interventions and supports throughout the ecosystem
    3. Improve accessibility of service and supports across the continuum of care
    4. Equitably improve behavioral health outcomes across the state
    5. Improve overall health, social outcomes and emotional wellbeing for children and youth
    6. Ensure that positive outcomes are sustainable

### 6:30 p.m.

**Presentation:** Francesca Tenenbaum, Program Director of Patients’ Rights Advocates of Alameda, San Mateo and Marin Counties discussed information on the statutory duties of County Patients’ Rights Advocates (PRA) and their unique approach to performing those duties. They will also report on the activities and services they have provided to support Marin County’s mental health community.

[Link to Presentation: Patients’ Rights Advocates Presentation](#)

Galen Main, MHSA Coordinator for the County of Marin will discuss Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) community planning with the Mental Health Board for the FY22/23 MHSA Annual Update. A time to get input on priorities and plans for next year.

- Working on the FY22/23 Annual Update and an Amendment to the FY21/22 Annual Update right now
  - Public Comment period will be April 10 – May 10
  - Public Hearing May 10, 2023
  - Then to the BOS for approval
  - Implementation on July 1, 2023

Final Year of the Current 3-Year Plan. New 3-Year plan starts on July 1, 2024, so community planning continues and expands

- Galen gave a history/background of Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) which was passed in 2004 and is funded by a 1% state tax on all personal income in excess of one million dollars
- Discussed key priorities from community planning meetings

### 7:15 p.m.

**Committee Liaisons, Task Force Updates**

- MHSA – Galen Main (MHSA Coordinator) – update above
- BHRS Equity and Community Partnership Committee / Peer Recovery Change Team – Maya Gladstern
  - There will be a new co-chair to service alongside jenn Moore, Kathy Roshan Moreno who is the living skills program manager at ICS
  - At the Peer Recovery Change Team’s meeting last week, they discussed the peer roles document, AB803 implementation and peer internships
- AOD Board Liaison – N/A
- BOS Update – Supervisor Rice – N/A
- CALBHB/C (as needed) – N/A
- Events that MHB members will attend/have attended – N/A
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| 7:25 p.m.  | • AB361 – As long as the BOS considers us to be in a public health crisis – we will vote every 30 days (following the BOS) as to whether to meet virtually / vote  
  • Maya made a motion to continue to meet virtually / seconded by Everett – ALL APPROVED | • Benita McLarin, HHS Director joined to discuss integration of the AOD and MHB                    | Next MHB meeting- Tues. April 12, 2022 @ 6 pm via Zoom |
| 7:30 p.m.  |                                                                                               | • Benita’s recommendation is to integrate the MHB and the AOD Board; The recommendation to the BOS in April will be that the boards merge by August 2022; Subcommittees including people from both boards should be created to develop the new structure of the board; Speakers from another county that merged their boards shared their experience and how this was a positive move  
  • Members of both boards shared their opinions regarding the recommendation | • Update on the Declaring Racism as a Public Health Issue resolution; tentatively scheduled to be on the BOS agenda for April 12th; Rachel will be speaking on behalf of the MHB | Next Executive Committee meeting – Mon. March 22, 2022 @ 12:15 pm – Conference Call |
| 8:00 p.m.  |                                                                                               | New Business                                                                                     | ADJOURN             |