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MARIN COUNTY
 ADVISORY BOARD ON ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG PROGRAMS
 July 11, 2022 @ 6:30 P.M.

Join Zoom Meeting

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TIME	SUBJECT
6:30 PM	<p>Call to Order Call for AOD Quorum: Yes Present: John Riley, Ruby Gibney, Suzanne Kanner, Gail Dunnett, Tori Kropp, and Tracy Novick Guests: Henry Pratt, Laura Champion, David Coffey, Mark Dale, Yesenia Perez, Carolyn Verheyen, Gail, Eva, and Damian Morgan Absent: Staff: Jai Africa, Cat Condon & Hidat Tikue</p>
6:31 PM	<p>Introductions: Introduce Board Members & New Candidates- No new candidates</p>
6:35 PM	<p>Review of Agenda / Approval of June 2022 meeting Minutes: Suzanne Kanner 1st motion to approve, Gail Dunnett was 2nd motion- Minutes approved. Agenda: Suzanne Kanner 1st motion to approve John Riley 2nd motion, Agenda approved.</p>
6:45 PM	<p>Open Public Time: (3 minutes per person for public comments) Henry Pratt, Redwood HS student, involved with Fentanyl Program: One Pill can Kill, works for the school paper and participates in school programs educating and preventing drug abuse, overdoses. Eva, a reporter, who stated she was attending with many concerns about the AOD board membership, the lack of diversity, the board's inviting the DEA to speak to the AOD which Eva disagreed with DEA participation. Damian Morgan, A Tam HS graduate, who is aware of the drug issues in Marin county and believes the AOD is racist. David Coffey: attending tonight because he is an interested citizen Mark Dale: previous Chair of AOD, and founder of RXSafe Marin Tonight's MIG presenters: Carolyn Verheyen, Laura Champion & Yesenia Perez</p>
6:50 PM	<p>Presentation: Discussion led by Carolyn Verheyen, MIG Vice President and Chief Operating Officer and Laura Champion, MIG Behavioral Health Subconsultant to seek feedback from the AOD: Marin County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) is charting a new roadmap for the future. As part of assessing the landscape of behavioral health needs and opportunities, the BHRS planning consultant, MIG, Inc., sought to engage with Marin County Alcohol and Other Drug Advisory Board (AOD Board) to better understand how BHRS can improve service and service</p>

	<p>access. The feedback provided by the AOD Board will help guide and shape BHRS's priorities for the next three to five years and have a meaningful impact on the Marin community.</p> <p>Carolyn Verheyen asked the AOD members to provide feedback on what they thought was the top needs of the clients that the BHRS serves:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suzanne Kanner cited concerns with clients accessing services- like outpatient or Helen Vine Recovery • Gail Dunnett discussed how fragmented services are, and helping clients find those services • Tori Kropp expressed concern that a top priority is young adolescent boys and is frustrated that there is not enough done to serve youth • Tracy Novick's top concern are the families and youth who don't qualify for Medi-Cal but don't make enough money or have insurance that can cover treatment for their children • Lots of discussion about priorities in services by the board and the public. • Carolyn encouraged board members to contact them outside of the meeting if more feedback. <p>Update on Progress of By Law Revisions by County Counsel & BOS. John Riley updated the AOD on the edited ByLaws returned to the board. Two main changes suggested are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Article 2, the purposes of the board- the A and D being a "center of expertise" was eliminated • After a board member has served part or all of six three-year terms," he or she is no longer eligible for Board membership". <p>The Marin County Counsel edited the proposed By Laws and now if the AOD approves these changes the By Laws will be submitted at the same time in August as the BOS decides to recommission the AOD for another four years.</p> <p>The AOD unanimously approved the new AOD By-Laws. It will be forwarded via the County Administrator to the BOS for approval on August 9th.</p> <p>Solicitation letter is ready and prepared by John Riley. The plan is for members to use this in the Marin community to gather support for continuation of the AOD. We can do this as private citizens. Please reach out to the Marin community before the decision is made to recommission the AOD.</p>
<p>7:35 PM</p>	<p>Committee Reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RX Safe Marin – Mark Dale The RX Safe Marin is evolving into a new name: Overdose Free Marin. There are questions about how to launch it and make sure the public can find it. IT will not be formally announced yet. The title will change, but there will still be the same programs and commitment. • Legislative Update – none at this time • Membership Committee Reports- None at this time

7:50PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Jei Africa announced his resignation from BHRS and he will Leave HHS/ BHRS at the end of July. In the interim, Cat Condon will be available to attend and present BHRS updates. Dr Africa will be relocating to San Mateo to work for HHS. Farewell party TBA. Many members commented on Dr Africa’s dedication to BHRS, it’s mission and purpose. • The AOD voted to meet by Zoom for the August meeting.
8:00 PM	Adjournment
	Next Executive Conference Call: Mon. July 18, 2022 @ 12:15 p.m.– Conference Call- 415-473-3030/ Meeting Number: 7719# / Host/Moderator: password 633863# / Attendee: password 4154737719#
	Next AOD Board Meeting: August 1 st , 2022 @ 6:30 pm via Zoom

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