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October 3, 2022 @ 6:30 P.M.

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TIME	SUBJECT
6:30 PM	<p>Call to Order Quorum: Yes Present: Ruby Gibney, John Riley, Suzanne Kanner, Gail Dunnett, Tori Kropp, and Tracy Novick Guests: Mark Dale, Mike W., Delores Staff: Cat Condon and Hidat Tikue Absent:</p>
6:31 PM	<p>Introductions: Introduce Board Members & guests</p>
6:35 PM	<p>Review of Agenda / Approval of September 19, 2022 meeting Minutes - One correction noted, Cat Condon reported that BHRS received funding for five (not twenty -five) Narcan Vending machines. First motion Gail Dunnett, Second by Suzanne Kanner- Approved</p>
6:40 PM	<p>Open Public Time Mark Dale (previous Chair & Board member of AOD & with RxSafeMarin.) Gave a brief update of a training he attended with HIDTA. The focus was on identifying counterfeit pills, drugs on the street. He reported concern over the "rainbow fentanyl" (colored & pressed into pills- candy like) appearing on the West Coast. Also, it was noted that over the weekend two teens were caught selling Fentanyl (possessed two pounds) in Marin County. Delores: Reporting to the board about her son and her struggle to get him treatment. She talked of ER visits and jail visits that resulted in no treatment or follow up plan.</p>
6:45 PM	<p>BHRS Staff Report, Cat Condon, Division Director, reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Narcan is being provided in all Marin County public schools: Pre-K- 5th, Middle School and High schools. The Narcan is provided by a coalition of groups: Marin Healthy Youth Partnership, RxSafeMarin, MCOE and Spahr Center. Marin County BHRS has no control over private treatment centers unless under contract. There were questions if the State could dictate to private treatment centers- and whether Dr Willis could help in this dialogue with private facilities. The state of California can dictate in certain situations- example, COVID triggered orders to prevent transmission of the virus. Gail asked whether State regulators can advocate for different regulations and if not, how can we pursue regulations? Discussion followed on how to talk with the State Assembly or Senate and sponsor a bill. Could Mark Levine be engaged in this?

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cat offered to Gail Dunnett to send letters to private centers in Marin to see if they want Narcan donations. Gail will follow up • Cat will share the contractor list for BHRS. She stated that the AOD might find it useful to know who BHRS contract with. AOD cannot invite any contractors to join the board, they can be asked to speak but not be on the board as it is a conflict of interest. • Cat updated about the New Performance improvement Project. #1. System wide Medi-Cal beneficiaries 10% with medication for Opioid Use Disorder comply consistently & maintain 180 days + days. In contrast, patients at MTC had 27.2% initiations of treatment for Opioid Disorder & had consistent follow up with medication for 180+ days. No disparities among racial/ ethnic and language for MOUD maintenance. But there are disparities in looking at MOUD initiations. • Performance Improvement Project -first intervention was to first identify patients receiving “medication only”. Then determine if they would benefit from additional services. • #2.Report on follow up after Emergency Department Visit: Medi-Cal beneficiaries in 2021, only 12% of ED visits for SUD resulted in follow up for service wit in 7 days and 29% within 30 days. However, Spanish speakers sought treatment after ED visit at 12% in 30 days. For Whites, follow up is 29% First intervention after this assessment- Contract with a Spanish speaking peer or recovery coach to provide better follow up for clients. • Tori had several questions about discharge from ER with SUD. Cat said MarinHealth Medical Center has substance abuse navigators who can arrange care or follow up. Kaiser uses a social worker to make referrals to follow up. Delores stated that was not her experience for her son in treatment for SUD at MarinHealth ER. There was no help, treatment or follow up. So is this plan not practiced?? In addition, treatment for all who overdose in the field are not guaranteed for ED treatment, many clients decline transportation and treatment at the ED. Tori asked about follow up for clients with no access to public services. Cat will ask the navigators about this.
<p>7:15 PM</p>	<p>Speaker: Mike W, is with The Public Information Outreach Service Committee within A.A., Alcoholic Anonymous. The committee talks to non AA groups to explain the program. They want to spread the word about AA. The principles of supporting people’s recovery and through the community they maintain their sobriety through helping others. They want to reduce the stigma about AA with information and exposure. Mike has spoken to nurses, Novato HS, and is open to all invitations. Tori spoke of her experience with Marin youth, especially boys and that there is a disconnect between alcohol, drugs and information. Can AA network with school youth.? She wants to see better engagement of youth. AA & NA is a reminder that no one is alone in their struggle. Link: www.aasfmarin.org. There is also a parent / friend organization called Al Anon that helps those with a friend or family member struggling with addiction or alcohol.</p>

7:30 PM	<p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initiatives and Ad Hoc Committees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Harrison’s Law Gail Dunnett talked about the details of her proposed law that would require private treatment facilities to monitor clients the first 24 hours by one hour checks on vital signs and pulse oximeter. Gail was encouraged to seek support from others on public & bring it to Rep Mark Levine. - Community People & Organization John Riley spoke of trying to connect with Alcohol Justice, Laura Dubin of Be in the Influence but nothing to report. Talked about the AOD and reaching out and asking what each organization considers a priority & how can we help? Tracy Novick is reaching out to Adult Drug Court & will report back at next meeting - Cycle of Care Immediate proposal to change the name to: Interagency Collaboration. Discussion focused on what are the needs for improved collaboration between systems- the Courts, the Jail and Probation. Examples given by Delores and others cited how tough it is to get a discharge plan when leaving jail. It seems like the court orders one plan and the plan doesn’t work or work fast enough and the jail discharges with referrals by phone or with an incomplete plan. Delores introduced a woman to Suzanne & Tracy who worked in Alameda in Child & Family Services and reported there were similar problems getting services to communicate and work together in her organization. She had some helpful insights. Suzanne Kanner talked about the stigma and shame for users and said there needs to be more education for teachers, hospital employees, youth, parents etc. - Press & Public Relations Tori and Tracy discussed the focus of this Ad Hoc committee. Understanding the “need to get high culture” in Marin, the efforts to normalize drug use, or provide safer tools to use drugs (fentanyl strips). Is this the message we want? In public comments, Mark Dale agreed with some of the concerns to provide safer tools for students (fentanyl strips) cited in the previous discussion. He offered some contacts at the jail, Captain Hale, Laura Dubin is working to stop a pot dispensary in Sausalito on the November ballot. Alcohol Justice, contact Christine Amira
7:55 PM	<p>New Business/Action Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action Item: AB361 – VOTE - 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 was unanimous to meet next month, November, virtually.
8:00 PM	Adjournment

	Next Executive Conference Call: Mon. October 24, 2022 @ 12:15 p.m.– Conference Call- 415-473-3030/ Meeting Number: 7719# / Attendee: password 4154737719# / Host/Moderator: password 633863#
	Next AOD Board Meeting: Monday. November 7, 2022 @ 6:30 pm via Zoom

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