

**COUNTY OF EL DORADO  
MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION**

**Minutes for August 25, 2010**

**Joint Meeting**

**TIME:** 5:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Joint Council by videoconference at –

Western Slope -  
El Dorado County Health Services Department,  
Emergency Medical Services Division  
415 Placerville Dr. Suite J  
Placerville, CA 95667

South Lake Tahoe -  
El Dorado County Health Services Department,  
Public Health Division  
1360 Johnson Blvd., Suite 103  
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

**I. Call to Order; Roll Call; Introductions**

Members: Jan Melnicoe, Bonnie McLane, Claudia Ball, Gus Pike, Lori Shepherd, Lee Kaplan, Denise Burke, R.S. Lynn, Cathy Hartrum, Stacy Bolton

Guests: Jeannie Leahy, Larry Hartrum, Ben Kindley, Jane de Felice, Bill Ball, Suzanne Campo, Barry Harwell, Emily Schafer, Brenda Bailey, Emi Johnson, Karen Schrick, Shirley Shepherd

Staff: Neda West, Chris Kondo-Lister, Prestine Skinner, Shirley White, Barry Wasserman, Sally Williams, Cheree Haffner, Brian Long

**II. Approval of Agenda**

Approved

**III. Public Comment**

As a public comment, Cathy Hartrum read a letter given to her from a parent who could not attend the meeting. The parent expressed concerned that her son's LPS conservatorship was not renewed. Jan suggested that it would be helpful to better understand the conservatorship process. Cathy suggested inviting a representative from the Public Guardian's Office to speak about conservatorships and the Public Guardian's role at an upcoming Mental Health Commission meeting.

**IV. Approval of Minutes**

The review of the July 28, 2010 meeting minutes was carried over to the September 29, 2010 meeting.

## **V. Mental Health Division (MHD) Report**

### **A. Program Updates**

#### Site Visit Reports – Chris Kondo-Lister

The final report from the FY 09-10 External Quality Review Organization (EQRO) site visit is now available. The public can view this and other EQRO reports on the web at: [www.caeqro.com](http://www.caeqro.com). In addition, a copy of the final report from the October 2009 State Department of Mental Health site visit was sent to the Mental Health Commission and copies can be obtained from the Chair, Jan Melnicoe.

#### Wellness Center – Chris Kondo-Lister

Confirmation was provided that MHSA funds are available and have been used to purchase healthy food and beverages for the Wellness Center. MHD will explore whether using a crock pot to prepare hot meals is allowable. Copies of the Wellness Center shopping lists and weekly menus were shared with Commission members.

#### Behavioral Health Court (BHC) – Shirley White

The Placerville BHC has 7 actively involved clients. South Lake Tahoe has 10-12 clients. The next Placerville BHC court date is September 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:30PM.

### **B. Budget Updates**

The County's fiscal close process for FY 09-10 ends today. Once all year end journals post, MHD anticipates being in a sound fiscal position. County Addenda Budget Hearings for FY 10-11 begin on September 13<sup>th</sup>. There is still no approved State budget for FY 10-11.

## **VI. Committee Reports**

### **A. Membership**

The Commission voted to support Jane de Felice's application to be appointed as a Commission Member. Jane's application and letter of endorsement will be submitted to the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors (BOS) for their consideration. The BOS recently approved the appointment of Lee Kaplan as a Commission Member. Stacy Bolton has been added as a Commission Associate Member.

### **B. Planning and Budget (Contracts) Committee**

This committee is in early stages of development.

### **C. Consumer Leadership Committee**

Lori Shepherd, Ernie Klindt, and Chris Kondo-Lister will discuss the MHSA funding that is proposed in the draft MHSA Annual Plan Update.

## **VII. Old Business**

### **A. Data Training Report**

This item was carried over to the next meeting.

## **VIII. New Business**

### **A. Children's Services Programs and Therapeutic Behavioral Services (TBS)**

Cheree Haffner presented information about various children's programs/services offered by MHD and Barry Wasserman presented information addressing Therapeutic Behavioral Services (TBS) for children.

### **B. MHSA Plan Review**

A subcommittee of the Mental Health Commission has been reviewing the draft MHSA Annual Plan Update and submitted comments/questions to the MHD. Chris Kondo-Lister and Neda West provided clarification regarding the State's requirements for preparation and submission of the MHSA Annual Plan Update, as well as verbal responses to questions submitted by the subcommittee. The final MHSA Annual Plan Update to be presented to the Board of Supervisors, and subsequently the State, will include the public comments, including the Mental Health Commission's questions, as well as the MHD written responses.

Action Item: Chris Kondo-Lister to provide the subcommittee with additional information relative to planned MHSA contracts, including contracts contemplated in support of the MHSA Community Services and Supports (CSS) component.

An MHSA Plan Update Public Hearing will be hosted by the Commission on September 7, 2010 at noon via teleconference at the Public Health Clinic in SLT and the EMS Conference Room in Placerville.

## **IX. Commission Comments/Open Discussion**

None

## **X. Adjournment**

**Next Meeting (Joint Council): September 29, 2010 at 5:00 p.m.**