

**EL DORADO COUNTY
MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION - SLT
Minutes June 2, 2011**

TIME: 12:00 Noon

**PLACE: South Lake Tahoe Mental Health Department
1900 Lake Tahoe Blvd.
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150**

I. Call to Order; Roll Call; Introductions

Members: Denise Burke, R.S. Lynn, Ernie Klindt

Staff: Robert Evans, Sally Williams, Hector Reyes, Jackie Norlie

Guests: Michael Pickens, Cary Martin

II. Approval of Agenda

Agenda approved with the deletion of Approval of Minutes since they were not available.

III. Public Comment (15 Minutes)

Cary Martin from California Mental Health Boards and Commissions Organization discussed using re-entry programs supported by the State for those who are being released from incarceration. He gave some information on the funding of such programs.

IV. Old Business

A. Employees Titles & Job Descriptions (SLT & West Slope)

An organizational chart prepared by the Health Service's Department was distributed. This chart included filled and unfilled positions. Also distributed were instructions on how to access El Dorado County job descriptions via the internet.

At the Commission's request, Rob Evans provided further information regarding filled and vacant positions in the South Lake Tahoe region.

B. New Commission Members

The South Lake Tahoe Commission continues to recruit new members.

V. New Business

A. Capital Facilities & Technological Needs Component

June 3rd, 2011 will be the next community stakeholder meeting for the Capital Facilities and Technological component of the Mental Health Service

Act. All Commission members and other interested parties are encouraged to attend. The meeting will be held via video conference at noon.

B. Social Security in Tahoe

Social Security Office staff no longer have a monthly presence in South Lake Tahoe. They lost their contact at this location due to budget cuts. South Lake Tahoe residents will have to go to the Placerville Office for services. Their hours in Placerville are Monday through Friday, 9:00 to 4:00.

C. New Committees

Two new Mental Health Commission committees are being formed. One will focus on Children's Services and the other on "Evaluation". The Evaluation Committee will establish goals as well as what yearly reports the Commission should prepare.

The West Slope prepared a list of proposed goals for the Commission as a whole. These goals were viewed favorably by the South Lake Tahoe Division.

VI. Mental Health Division Verbal Report

Hector Reyes reported on SLT's Crisis Team. The Team is doing well with 15 staff on board. They meet monthly to go over their schedule, receive training and to trouble shoot any problems that arise.

The Behavioral Health Court (BHC) also meets monthly. There are currently 11 actively enrolled clients with another 3 in the assessment phase. The BHC works closely with the California Forensic Medical Group when clients are incarcerated in the County jail. The County is working to set up a process and contract for purchases of medication from a local pharmacy for specialty mental health clients whom have no insurance or ability to pay upon their release from jail to allow for linkage back to services upon release.

Rob Evans reminded the Commission that there will be a video conference regarding the Mental Health Division's budget scheduled on June 28th from 5 to 7 p.m. Please meet at the Mental Health Clinic on Lake Tahoe Blvd.

Sally reported that Children's Services were going well. Currently staff is putting together their summer program. Staff member Linda Bingham will be returning to work after her maternity leave. There will be no summer school offered by the Lake Tahoe Unified School District this year.

VII. Commissioners Comments

None.

VIII. Adjournment

Next Meeting: July 7, 2011