



SAN FRANCISCO MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, February 23, 2016
1380 Howard Street
Room 226
10:00 AM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Kara Chien, JD, Chair; Ulash Thakore-Dunlap, Vice Chair, David Elliott Lewis, PhD, Secretary, Idell Wilson, Eugene Porfido, Committee Chair, Wendy James, Committee Co-Chair, Harriette Stevens, EdD, Committee Co-Chair.

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

MEMBERS ON LEAVE: none

OTHERS PRESENT: Helynna Brooke, Executive Director

The meeting was called to order at 10:15.

1.0 REVIEW OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

For discussion and action

1.1 Public comment

No public comment

1.2 **PROPOSED RESOLUTION:** Be it resolved that the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of January 26, 2016.

Approved unanimously

2.0 NEXT MENTAL HEALTH BOARD MEETING AND ACTION ITEMS

For discussion and action

2.1 Issues regarding the content of the agenda

Presentation options: Jason Blantz, Nurse Practitioner from the Homeless Outreach Team. Title: Barriers and Challenges to Accessing Behavioral Health Services for People who are Homeless. If he is unavailable, we could ask for a presentation by Project Homeless Connect. The board will present Jo Robinson with a commendation.

2.2 Board Planning for future MHB meetings

The Director of the Mayor's Office of Homelessness, HOPE, was suggested for the future. Ms. Dunlap-Thakore presented that the Community Violence Committee would like to have a presentation about Crisis Services, the Crisis Intervention Training for the police department and the Night Ministry. Ms. Wilson suggested that it would be good to consider a daytime board meeting in the public library at some point.

2.3 Public comment

No public comment

2.4 PROPOSED RESOLUTION: That the Executive Committee adopt the agenda for the Mental Health Board meeting on March 16, 2016, as discussed.
Unanimously approved.

3.0 BUSINESS

For discussion and possible action.

3.1 Chair's report.

Ms. Chien discussed the roles of committees and the goals of our board presentations on the areas highlighted as priorities at the board retreat. The outcomes hoped for are: to educate and inform the public, to create resolutions highlighting areas that need to change or improve, and to write letters to departments when needed, such as the letter to increase funding for police crisis intervention training. The committees roles are to: educate the public by identifying services needed, identify presentations and develop key questions the board seeks answers about.

With barriers to services, an example might be the challenge of having to get in line at 6:00 AM in the morning to see a psychiatrist for medications. Another is the lack of supportive and transitional housing.

3.2 Additional business regarding the duties, mandates, and operations of the Board.

3.2. a New business for future Executive Committee meetings

3.2. b Discussion of developing issues for the MHB

3.3. c Other MHB business

The Annual Report needs to be completed by June 30th. Gene Porfido volunteered with Idell Wilson to lead the process. Ms. Chien will also invite board members to submit letters to be included in the annual report.

The possibility of a May reception was discussed which would recognize programs.

3.4. Public comment

No comments

ADJOURNMENT: 12:00 Noon

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