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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, April 2, 2019
1380 Howard Street
Room 226
9:00 AM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Marylyn Tesconi, MFT, Njon Weinroth, Judy Drummond, MA, Marcus Dancer

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

MEMBERS ON LEAVE: Carletta Jackson-Lane, JD

OTHERS PRESENT: Helynna Brooke, Executive Director

The meeting was called to order at 10:20.

1.0 REVIEW OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

For discussion and action

1.1 Public comment

No comments

1.2 **PROPOSED RESOLUTION:** Be it resolved that the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of March 5, 2019 be approved as submitted.

Mr. Weinroth moved that the minutes be approved and Mr. Dancer seconded the motion. They are 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

Two suggestions were made for the board meeting on April 17th. The first choice was to hear about Hummingbird Place. They would like to know

- how people get there
- how long they stay
- who they take
- how they could expand the model
- What board advocacy would help

The second choice is Steve Fields, Executive Director of Progress Foundation

- When was it first started

- What were the challenges when it was started
- What are the challenges now
- What are the staff issues

Ms. Drummond mentioned that Supervisor Fewer has introduced legislation that would require that the sale of multi-unit housing of six units or more be subject first refusal by non-profits housing.

2.2 Board Planning for future MHB meetings

No discussion

2.3 Public comment

No comments

2.4 PROPOSED RESOLUTION: That the Executive Committee adopt the agenda for the Mental Health Board meeting on April 17, 2019 as discussed.

Ms. Drummond made a motion to approve the agenda for the April 17th meeting and Mr. Dancer seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.

3.0 BUSINESS

For discussion and possible action.

3.1 Chair's report

- It was suggested that the Executive Committee agenda list New Business first before voting on the board meeting agenda.
- The Data Notebook was completed. Board members met with BHS program directors to respond to the questions in the Notebook. It was sent to the California Association of Local Behavioral Health Boards/Commissions by the due date of March 31st.
- Ms. Brooke suggested the board have an awards event in June to award BHS civil servants and contractors who are doing great work on behalf of clients and family members, but who usually go unnoticed. She also suggested giving awards to a few people from the community at large who contribute to the mental well being of the people they interact with. Njon expressed that he felt it should only be BHS people, but the rest of the committee liked the idea of awarding members or programs in the larger community. The committee agreed that it would be good, so it will be mentioned to the full board at the meeting. An interest was also expressed in holding a Meet and Greet in May, which is Mental Health Awareness month. Ms. Brooke said she would try to secure a date in May.

3.2 Committee Reports

The Implementation Committee is developing a resolution for the Executive Committee to put on the agenda for the board to vote on. Any board member can also create resolutions on issues they are passionate about and refer them to the Executive Committee.

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

3.3. a) New business for future Executive Committee meetings

No discussion

3.3. b) Discussion of developing issues for the MHB

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Ms. Drummond, and Marlo Simmons, Deputy Director of BHS, met with Tracy Brown, aide to Supervisor Walton to share their concern with programs that the Interim Director of Children, Youth and Families division of BHS are planning to close. They are the Youth Justice Center. There are 10-20 people there now. It is an essentially empty building. There have been suicide issues and assault issues. The mental health staff is untrained. RAD and Aim High are located at YGC. There is a two year plan to shut it down. The director wants to create a mental health site where all are eligible for MediCal. They are also planning to cut Senaca, Instituto de la Raza, and CJCJ. She feels the board needs to look at these issues.

Mr. Dancer visited the Fresh Start Program and was impressed by the program.

3.3. c) Other MHB business

Discussion regarding the writing of the annual report. Ms. Brooke said each co-chair needs to write a letter from the chair and the content will focus on committee work this past fiscal year.

3.4 Public Comment

No comments

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM