



## Mental Health Services Act Sub-Committee Meetings

WET and Innovation

Monday March 3, 2014

## Delhi Community Center 505 E. Central Ave. Santa Ana, CA

## **Minutes**

Members Present: Tho Be, Theresa Boyd, William Gonzalez, Belinda McCleese, Nazee Nazari, Khe Ngo, Calvin Nguyen, Tricia Nguyen, Shannon Peterson, Maureen Robles, Jean Wilkinson,

Members Absent: Denise Cuellar, Helen Cameron, Alyce Mastrianni, Kathryn McCullough, Christine Curtis, Gloria Reyes, Frank Ospino.

MHSA Staff: Brett O'Brien, Gerry Aguirre, Jenny Qian, Mark Lawrenz

- I. William Gonzalez, Co-Chair started the meeting and had the members introduce themselves.
- II. Hieu Nguyen gave a brief summary of the history of OC ACCEPT and introduced the speaker.
- III. Client shared her experience working with the OC ACCEPT program and discussed how she and her entire family have benefited from it.
- IV. Brett O'Brien discussed the current need to make this subcommittee to be only for Innovation, and for those interested in issues concerning WET should be directed to the CSS subcommittees since that is where the funding now comes from. Since three of the proposed eight projects that were sent to the OAC have been rejected as being Innovative projects, there is an additional amount of money for new innovation projects.
- V. Gerry Aguirre conducted a review of how Innovation Projects are defined and the planning process that was used previously to obtain potential ideas.
- VI. Subcommittee members were asked what they would like to hear in the upcoming months during their meetings.
  - 1. Members agreed that they would like to continue having presentations on projects, as well as from the consumers who have participated in one of the projects.
  - 2. Would like to hear what options are available to fund projects deemed successful.
  - 3. Outcome reports on the projects that have been operating for the longest amount of time.
  - 4. Project Life Coach and Collective Solutions are the last two projects not to have had a presentation previously. Project Life Coach can present at the May Meeting.

VII - Adjourned.