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Wednesday, November 30, 2022 9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

<u>Meeting Location:</u> 601 N. Ross St., Santa Ana, CA 92701 Conference Center

<u>MINUTES</u>

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Members Present:

Alan Albright, Karyl Dupee, Stephen McNally, Kristen Pankratz, Jim Taylor, Duan Tran, Chase Wickersham, Fred Williams

Members Absent: Supervisor Doug Chafee, Heidi Girolamo, Matthew Holzmann

Call to Order

• The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by Steve McNally who then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Welcome and Introductions

• Each member introduced themselves.

Approval of Minutes

- October 26, 2022
 - Chase Wickersham made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 26, 2022, meeting and Duan Tran seconded the motion. The minutes were approved for the record. Yes 6 /0 No/ 1/ abstain

Public Comment

Keith Torkelson-Mr. Torkelson continued his presentation for an Innovation Project proposal for a housing solution bundle.

MHRS Chief's Report – Annette Mugrditchian

- Annette Mugrditchian provided a Mental Health Services and Recovery (MHRS) update. She provided some highlights including an update on the DUI Drug Court 1,0000th graduation, which will take place on December 13, 2022. Furthermore, she highlighted the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Community Program Planning (CPP) process as it has started to roll out and has been focusing on priorities that were identified. In addition, she shared an update on the SUD Forum that took place on November 4th at the Orange County Sheriff's Department Training Facility in Tustin, which was a huge success and well attended. They were able to distribute over 600 Narcan kits.
- Some of the members expressed their concern for the MHSA CPP, emphasizing the need for more community involvement. Members would like to see events such as those from previous years like the MHSA Steering Committee meetings.



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Veronica Kelley, Ph.D., Chief Mental Health & Recovery Services

Annette Mugrditchian, LCSW Director of Operations Mental Health & Recovery Services

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Presentation Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist Certification By: Min Suh, MSW Mental Health and Recovery Services

Min Suh provided a comprehensive overview of the Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist Certification. He provided the history of SB- 803 and how it evolved since 2020. He reviewed the minimum qualifications and grandparenting requirements to become a Peer Support Specialist. Min also touched on the certification scholarship opportunity that was issued by DHCS. Currently, there are 200+ peers across Mental Health and Recovery Services and there are 138 OC peers recommended for scholarships.

Old Business

• Chair and Vice Chair Nominations: (Nominating/ Membership Committee) The Nominating committee read the current slate and asked for any additional nominations. They also talked about current vacancies and recruitment efforts to fill the vacancies.

New Business

• Chair and Vice Chair Elections took place via a ballot. Quorum of the Board members was met with 9 members present at the meeting. The new Chair and Vice Chair for 2023 was as follows.

Chair: Alan Albright Vice Chair: Fred Williams

Committee Reports

• Older Adults Committee: Karyl Dupee updated the members on the OA's project proposal to be considered under MHSA Innovation.

Upcoming Topics:

• December: BHAB Annual Retreat (December 14, 2022) and the BHAB General meeting is DARK for December.

Adjournment

• The meeting adjourned at 10:34 a.m.

Officially submitted by: Karla Perez

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