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**Special Meeting and Mental
Health and Substance Use
Disorder System of Care
Meetings
NOTES**

Wednesday, April 12, 2023
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
601 N. Ross St. MPR room,
Santa Ana, CA 92701

Members Present: Alan Albright, Karyl Dupee, Susan Emerson, Matthew Holzmann, Steve McNally, Kristen Pankratz, Supervisor Vicente Sarmiento's Office, Chase Wickersham, Frederick Williams

Members Absent: Duan Tran

County Staff Present: Brad Hutchins, Mark Lawrenz, Annette Mugrditchian, Karla Perez, Bhuvana Rao, Julia Rinaldi, Dawn Smith, Michelle Smith

I. Welcome and Introductions for MH SOC:

- Alan Albright called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. Members of the committee introduced themselves via roll call.

II. Public Comment: MHSOC

N/A

III. MHSA Update:

Michelle Smith reminded the BHAB members of the upcoming Mental Health Services Act Public Hearing that is taking place on April 26, 2023 at the Delhi Center. During this meeting the BHAB will take a vote to affirm that a MHSA community planning process (CPP) took place as per statute. Michelle will provide an analysis of the CPP for the BHAB and the community who attends the public hearing.

Members engaged in a discussion and provided the following feedback:

Steve McNally would like the analysis to include the promotion plan to include the community in the CPP, as well as information on the email lists that are used. He also would like data on the online opening rates of the MHSA 3-year Plan. In addition, Steve would like additional information on the underspending rates to look into flexibility for MHSA programs, as well as include information on MHSA contracts.

Kristen Pankratz thanked Michelle for reaching out to the Wellness Centers and hosting community meetings there. She recommended including more user friendly language in the community presentations for the community to better understand the content.

Alan Albright asked the board members to review the MHSA CPP to become familiarized with the content and be prepared for the upcoming MHSA Public Hearing. He also asked the members to spread the work about the upcoming Public Hearing to their current email lists.

Steve McNally mentioned the opportunity to provide substantive recommendations on the MHSA Plan and referenced the three recommendations that were provided during last year's MHSA Plan Update.

IV. System of Care Shared Items:

- **Community Events:**
 - Swallows Parade- Matthew Holzmann attended this event and provided a variety of resources along with distributing Narcan. It was very well attended.
 - Centennial Park: Community Resources & Health Fair- Alan Albright and Fred Williams attended this event and provided community with resources on OC Navigator and provided information on the BHAB. It was well attended by the members of the community, predominantly the Latino community who expressed the need for more children's behavioral health services.
- **BHAB Member Recruitment:**
 - Current openings on the BHAB include 1- Person in Recovery, 1- Family Member, 2nd District Representative and 3rd District Representative.
 - Alan Albright introduced a recruitment letter that the board will start to use out in the community to help with recruitment. He would like to be mindful of the diversity of the board and would like to reach out to the Latino community.
- **Committee Structure of BHAB:**
 - Alan Albright reviewed the current committee list for BHAB, he expressed his vision in restructuring the committees to where the BHAB has subcommittees for the following groups: Adults, older adults, Children and Youth, and MHSA. In which would funnel all site visits via these committees.
 - Changes were made to the assignments of members on the committees. Karla Perez will update with new changes on the committee's form.
 - Alan explained the difference between standing committees and ad hocs and clarified that committees would not be added in detail on the bylaws to allow for flexibility for changes as time progresses.

- Steve suggested that each of the committees have a work plan to meet their expectations.
- Susan offered her work location: Purpose of Recovery, so that committees use as a meeting location.

V. Items to discuss at next meeting:

- Susan Emerson would like the board to review the action plan quarterly.

VI. Announcements:

- Steve McNally announced a speak up event held at Capo Valley on April 17th.
- SAMHSA Campaign in May
- NATCON Conference in May 2023
- 6th Annual month of the Military Child Celebration on April 20th.

VII. Adjournment: Meeting ended at 11:03 a.m.