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## **ALCOHOL & DRUG ADVISORY BOARD**

**Hall of Administration  
Planning Commission Hearing Room  
333 W. Santa Ana Blvd.  
Santa Ana, CA 92701**

**July 6, 2017  
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.  
Minutes**

**Members Present:** Stacy Deeble-Reynolds, Margaret Fleitman, Geoffrey Henderson, Debra Kelsey, Lorraine Martinez, Cathy Stills, Frederick Williams, Nancy Wilson

**Members Absent:** Johnnie Harris, Roy Richardson

### **I. Opening at 9:10 a.m.**

- Each board member and guest introduced themselves and their respective affiliations.

### **II. Approval of Minutes: Action Item**

- The minutes from the June 1, 2017, meeting were approved, and placed on file.  
Motion: Lorraine Martinez Second: Geoffrey Henderson Vote: Approved, 8 yes/0 no

### **III. Committee Reports**

- *Legislation Committee – Roy Richardson*
  - No Update.
- *Membership Committee- Lorraine Martinez, Debra Kelsey*
  - There are currently four (4) for appointment recommendations going before the Board of Supervisors for their approval.
- *Nominating Committee- Lorraine Martinez, Debra Kelsey*
  - No Update.
- *Mental Health Board Liaison- Cathy Stills*
  - No Update.
- *Provider Meeting- Cathy Stills and Lorraine Martinez*
  - No Update.
- *Criminal Justice Treatment Committee – Geoff Henderson*
  - No Update.

- *Community Forum Planning Committee – Geoff Henderson, Lorraine Martinez, Debra Kelsey, Margaret Fleitman*
  - The planning committee has sent out the survey to the community and to providers. The opioids forum is still on hold, the committee is exploring different location options to hold this event.
- Community Collaborative Committee:
  - *Orange County RX & OTC Coalition: Margaret Fleitman*
    - No Update
  - *Drug Prevention Coalition: Margaret Fleitman*
    - This is a new coalition through the Solace Foundation, which will be focusing on the opioid use prevention and providing Narcan awareness/training. They will host their first meeting on July 19, 2017, from 6-7 pm., at the Norman P. Murray Center in Mission Viejo.
  - *Orange County Substance Abuse Prevention Network (OCSAPN): Stacy Deeble-Reynolds*
    - No Update
  - *Mental Health Services ACT (MHSA) Steering Committee: Cathy Stills, Geoff Henderson*
    - No Update.
  - *Orange County Tobacco Education Coalition (OCTEC): Stacy Deeble-Reynolds*
    - No Update.

#### **IV. Old Business-**

- The Board was involved in a discussion regarding the article on addiction that was released by the Orange County Register. Members of the board suggested urging members of the public to provide public comment sharing their experiences and how rehabilitation centers have affected their families and lives. The Board members will look further into this suggestion and figure out how they can address the comments that would be received. In addition, it was suggested that the ADAB write a letter to the Board of Supervisors (BOS), in which they would provide advising on recommendations and support on certain legislation.

#### **V. New Business-**

- N/A

#### **VI. BHS Update:**

*Annette Mugrditchian-* The Mental Health Services Act MHSA 3-Year Plan was approved and will be moving forward. We released the RFA for 6,200 doses of Naloxone, the RFA is now closed and we will be selecting a vendor soon. We received our Proposition 47 grant, which will include three main components: systems navigation, community support center, and the community counselling and support services under Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI).

*Mitch Cherness-* Casa Bella had a death in their facility in which the State provided oversight. The RFP on bridge housing for mental health services will be released soon, they are changing the scope of work to be able to get homeless off the streets. We have identified a provider for the co-occurring residential treatment program and currently in the process of identifying a location, this program will provide ten beds. We received approval for short term housing for mental health, adding three new providers, Collets, Grandma's House of Hope, and Friendship Shelter. Moreover, the waitlist is currently at approximately 160 people to obtain a bed. We are working to identify more providers that can help with the lower the waitlist.

*Sandra Fair*- We will be submitting the proposed interim rates for the Drug Medi-Cal to the State. We have been working with CIBHS to obtain a short term contract in hopes to provide support to providers in filling out the application. In the process of developing the Opioid Strategic Plan, we have sent out the survey to all providers and we have received approximately 200 responses. The researchers have been working on the consumer survey and that will be out soon. In addition, the Health Care Agency is working with the Sheriff's Department on finalizing the Opioids Death Report.

*Brett O'Brien*- He mentioned that County operated services are doing well and no County run programs were mentioned in the OC Register Article. Furthermore, he informed the board of Boys Town pulling out of two County contracted services, Parent Education Services and Family Support Services. We will work closely with Contracts department in getting a new provider and make this a smooth transition.

## **VII. Presentation**

### ***Heritage House***

Presentation by: Debra McCullough, Program Manager  
Heritage House North

Ms. McCullough provided a comprehensive overview of the Heritage House North and South, which were designed to end current patterns of abuse and dependency on alcohol and other drugs in women who are pregnant and/or have young children in their custody. She provided information on both houses, such as groups, services, and outcomes.

For additional information on Heritage House, please contact Karla Perez at [kperez@ochca.com](mailto:kperez@ochca.com).

## **VIII. ADEPT Report**

- Amy Buch –
  - Amy provided information on the National Night Out event that will take place in several cities, they plan to participate in these events as it promotes community awareness. In addition, Alcohol and Drug Prevention Services plan will expire in June of 2018 and they will be teaming up to develop the next strategic plan. This year they plan to obtain a more robust community involvement. Furthermore, they are offering a voluntary survey that is provided to those who become charged with a Driving under the Influence (DUI) and currently have about an 85% response rate. They will be presenting of the data collected later this year. Stacy invited Amy to present of the data for them early next year.

## **IX. Public Comment**

- Lynn Redmer: Ms. Redmer provided her story of the tragic loss of her son while he was in a rehabilitation center. She urges the ADAB to look into legislation that may protect those persons in rehabilitation centers.

## **X. Adjournment**

- **10:30 a.m.**

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