## Solano County Mental Health Advisory Board Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Public Hearing & General Meeting Minutes Tuesday, November 13, 2018 ❖ 4:00pm-6:00pm 2101 Courage Drive ❖ Multi-Purpose Room ❖ Fairfield, CA 94533

Mental Health Services Act Public Hearing called to order @ 4:10pm by Sandra Sinz

**Mental Health Board Members:** 

**Present:** Chair Heather Theaux Venezio; Board of Supervisor Monica Brown; J.D. Hatchett, Alexandra Winston, and Denise Coleman

**Absent:** Lis delaTorre, Michael Wright

**SCBH Staff:** Deputy Director, Sandra Sinz; Leticia De La Cruz Salas; Emery Cowan; Marisol Lopez; Penny Barnes

Minutes by Penny Barnes

ITEM	Public Hearing	ACTION
Call to Order	The Meeting opened at 4:10pm.	
Public Hearing	Sandra Sinz	
Procedure and	After the presentation you will have opportunity to comment on the MH plan and	
Guidelines	presentation. Please fill out a public comment card at any time during the presentation and we will call on you at that time.	
Presentation	Solano County FY2018/2019 MHSA Annual Update-Sandra Sinz	
	Solano County is required to do a three-year plan and then update it annually.	
	The presentation covered what the MHSA plan is, what services where provided through	
	MHSA, and what services we're thinking about augmenting.	
<b>Public Comments</b>	No public comments	
Board	Question: Will we be able to bill Medi-Cal for the Mobile Crisis services?	
Comments/Questions/	Answer: Yes, the services provided through Mobile Crisis is billable. It's using MHSA dollars	
Recommendations:	and federal funds.	
	Question: What is the current budget for Mobile Crisis? Is it still \$750,000?	
	Answer: Yes, that is what's currently budgeted. If we were to implement Mobile Crisis County	
	wide that's not enough, we would probably need \$2 million. We would need to get the money	
	from other funding sources and/or by partnering with other community partners like law enforcement, hospitals, etc.	
	Question: Does Solano County fund the MIOCRA program?	
	Answer: It is funded largely by a grant that has ended and that we augmented with MHSA	
	funds?	
	Question: When you pay your service providers, is it a blanket amount or is it determined by individuals served or by cost of service?	
	Answer: It depends on what services cost. Most of our programs are paid based upon true	
	cost and delivering what we ask them to deliver.	

	Question: Is Partnership part of this or are they considered insurance?  Answer: Our clients typically have Partnership Medi-Cal so if there is a medical condition Partnership is involved. In terms of mental health, Partnership is responsible for mild-moderate population. The County is responsible for the moderate- severe population.	
Close Public Hearing	5:10pm	

ITEM	General Meeting Agenda	ACTION
Call to Order/Roll Call	The Meeting opened at 5:13pm.	Roll Call established a
<b>Public Comments</b>	No public comments on a matters listed on the Agenda.	quorum.
Approval of Minutes	On motion of J.D Hatchett, seconded by Supervisor Brown, the Board approved the minutes of the Mental Health Advisory Board (MHAB) meeting of October 16, 2018 as printed.	So ordered by 5-0 vote.  Abstain/Recuse: Alexandra Winston
Approval of Agenda	On motion of Supervisor Brown, seconded by Heather Theaux Venezio, the Board approved the agenda of the MHAB meeting of November 13, 2018.	So ordered by 6-0 vote.
Discussion	On motion of Supervisor Brown, seconded by Alexandra Winston, the Board approved to accept the Solano County MHSA Annual Update.	So ordered by 6-0 vote.
Director's Report	<ul> <li>Sandra Sinz, Behavioral Health Director, gave an update on the following:</li> <li>Housing Funds: There's a number of different funding pieces for housing funds coming through.</li> <li>a. HEAP Funds - 4.9 Million</li> <li>b. Partnership - 4.9 Million</li> <li>c. No Place Like Home – There is a non-competitive piece that we are eligible for by meeting particular criteria, which is 1.6 Million for first year and they will reassess it every year. For the competitive piece you have to put together a grant, have a community process, and we need to update the plan on homelessness. We are in a good place, we have a 5-year strategic plan and that's a requirement, but there are certain things that need to be in the plan, so we will need to amend or make an addendum for mental health purposes.</li> </ul>	

	Programs can now be implemented, and we hope to join other housing projects to maximize impact.  Question: Do you know if the competitive numbers are going to be based on the 2018 Point in Time head count?  Answer: The non-competitive will be based on the Point in Time count. It won't make a difference on the competitive piece. The non-competitive and competitive pieces can be applied for simultaneously.  Question: Can the No Place Like Home funds be used to buy down units on the front end for affordable new housing in every city?  Answer: That is exactly what we need to use it for. That is the best strategy. NPLH requires working with a single developer. We did receive \$571,000 for homelessness. We are planning to use about half for the shelter start up at Mission Solano. We are looking at what to do with the rest. It might be a add-on to the No Place Like Home funds.  • AB 1810: Mental Health Diversion —Solano County has applied for a grant for felony diversion. This is two to three million for three years.  Question: Are there any mental health services at Juvenal Hall?  Answer: Yes, but It's not provided by MH, Probation does its own contract.  • Behavioral Health will be asking for positions for Felony Diversion and Laura's law. The Peer Support positions are going to the Civil Service	
	tomorrow night, and soon we will have 3.0 FTE to hire.	
Committee Reports	I. Executive Committee Report – Healther Theaux Venezio – No report  II. Membership Committee Report – Lis dela Torre – No report  III. LPS/PES Meeting Report – Heather Theaux Venezio  a. The next LPS/PES meeting is November 14, 2018, at 675 Texas St., Fairfield, Room 1600.	
Scheduled Calendar	1) Old Business - None 2) New Business a. Receive 2019 MHAB Committee Nominations – Voting will take place in January.	

	1) Executive – Not discussed	
	2) Membership – Discussed membership as outlined in the MHAB	
	bylaws.	
	3) Outreach – Monica Brown will do the press release for	
	membership recruitment and send it to Heather Theaux	
	Venezio for approval. Interviews will be conducted in February.	
Public Comments	No public comments	
Board Member	I would like to see more peer jobs.	
Comments	<ul> <li>I see people sleeping on the doorstep of BACS and Caminar and I wonder why they are on the steps and not inside.</li> </ul>	
	Probably because shelters are full and they feel like that is a safe place to sleep.	
	<ul> <li>Happy Thanksgiving everyone. We are blessed that what is happening in Paradise and Southern California didn't happen here. If you have any way to contribute or to help in any way, please do. There are no words to explain how devastating this has been for them.</li> </ul>	
	I have a son who has ADHD and is on an IEP. Because of his IEP as a curriculum support he can leave his classroom and go into his support classroom at any time. I just wanted to throw that out there for the parents in the room that are having issues.	
	<ul> <li>We have been talking a lot about the increase in children seeking mental health services. I think that the times that we are living in right now are so unprecedented and the instant information that is being blasted at us constantly is causing anxiety levels to be high. So, I'm not surprised about the increase in students seeking mental health services. We have mass shootings going on and Californian burning to the ground, and all these</li> </ul>	
	images all over the news 24/7. I think that is a huge part of it.	
Adjourned at 6:30pm		