

**TRI-CITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER
GOVERNING BOARD
MINUTES**

March 21, 2012

ATTENDANCE

Governing Board Present: Paula Lantz, City of Pomona
Chuck Leeb, Ph.D., City of Claremont
Robin Carder, City of La Verne
Carolyn Cockrell, City of La Verne (*arr @ 4:49 p.m.*)
Joseph M. Lyons, MA, Ph.D., City of Claremont
Edina Martinez, Psy.D, City of Pomona
Freddie Rodriguez, City of Pomona

Guests: Bill Aguirre, City of La Verne
Nancy Krahn, City of Claremont
Mark Lazzaretto, City of Pomona
Darold Pieper, General Counsel
Heidi Bonodie, NAMI Pomona Valley
Ariel Bonodie, Community Member
Betsey Coffman, League of Women Voters
Chris Scarzzo, Community Member

Staff: Jesse Duff, Executive Director
Margaret Harris, Chief Financial Officer
Toni Navarro, LMFT, Director of Clinical Program Services
Nancy Gill, Director of Operations
Elizabeth Owens, LMFT, Manager of Best Practices
Rimmi Hundal, MHSA Manager
Don Pruyn, Housing Project Manager
Gilbert Saldate, Public Outreach Coordinator
Nancy Day, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Paula Lantz called the meeting to order at 4:48 p.m.

ROLL CALL

A visual roll call was taken.

1. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approval of Minutes from Governing Board Meeting held February 15, 2012
- B. Approval of Operational Policies

Robin Carder motioned that the Governing Board approves the Consent Calendar as herein submitted; Freddie Rodriguez seconded. Without objection, motion was unanimously approved. (7-0-0-0)

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2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Joint Powers Agreement between the cities of Claremont, La Verne and Pomona provides for the election of a chairperson and vice-chairperson each calendar year.

Chairperson and Vice-chairperson

Following a brief discussion, Joseph M. Lyons motioned that the Governing Board approves the re-appointment(s) of (A) Paula Lantz as Chairperson and (B) Chuck Leeb, Ph.D., as Co-chairperson for the 2012 calendar year; Freddie Rodriguez seconded. Without objection, motion was unanimously approved. (7-0-0-0)

3. APPOINTMENT OF GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER TO TRI-CITY MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION

Following a brief discussion, Paula Lantz nominated Joseph M. Lyons to serve as the Governing Board representative to the Tri-City Mental Health Commission; Edina Martinez, Psy.D seconded. Without objection, motion was unanimously approved. (7-0-0-0)

4. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN TRI-CITY MENTAL HEALTH AND NAMI POMONA VALLEY TO IMPLEMENT THE APPROVED STIGMA AND CULTURAL GROUPS PEI PROJECT

Following a brief discussion, Joseph M. Lyons motioned that the Governing Board approves the contract with NAMI Pomona Valley for implementation of the Stigma and Cultural Groups Project funded under the PEI Plan for the period of March 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015 as herein presented; Robin Carder seconded. Without objection, motion was unanimously approved. (7-0-0-0)

5. PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING STRATEGY

Don Pruyn provided an update to members present outlining events that have transpired since the Governing Board approved the Comprehensive Housing Master Plan at its regularly scheduled meeting on September 21, 2011. Information included the developer selection process which culminated on December 21, 2011 with the Board's ranking and certification of five housing developers qualified to joint venture with Tri-City by way of the Housing Program, as well as a review of specific development projects (and properties) currently under consideration.

Following discussion Joseph M. Lyons motioned that the Governing Board "receives and files" the Report by Don Pruyn as herein presented; Dr. Chuck Leeb seconded. Without objection, motion was unanimously approved. (7-0-0-0)

6. REPORTS

A. Executive Director

- **MHSA Updates**

On February 29 the Stakeholders/Delegates met to review the existing CSS and PEI Programs in preparation for filing the MHSA Fiscal Year 2012/13 Annual Update. The “draft” Annual Plan Update” was posted on Tri-City website on March 16, as well as distributed to various public agencies and community centers within the three cities. A Public Hearing has been scheduled on April 18 at Taylor Hall in Claremont for final review and approval of this Plan.

In association with the transition of the CA Department of Mental Health functions to the Department of Health Care Services, many MHSA reporting requirements have been eliminated. Additionally, the state is projecting a 10-20% increase in MHSA dollars for the 2012/13 fiscal year.

Joseph M. Lyons requested an update on the roll-out within the three cities of any programs associated with Integrated Services. Toni Navarro responded by providing a brief description (including requirements) of Healthy Way LA, an Integrated Services program available in Los Angeles County and funded by the Federal government.

B. Chief Financial Officer

- **2008 North Garey Building Mortgage Refinancing**

Efforts to refinance the existing loan on the 2008 N. Garey Avenue building have commenced which the agency hopes to complete by June 30, 2012. Staff is currently reviewing a proposal from Pacific Western Bank (its current lender) for a 5.85% loan over a seven year term, including a 25-year amortization.

Following discussion, Board members requested that staff contact City Finance Managers for referral information on lenders used by the cities in hopes of securing better loan terms, and continue this discussion at the April meeting.

C. Director of Clinical Program Services

Refer to report.

D. Director of Operations

Refer to report.

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E. Manager of Best Practices

Refer to report.

F. MHSA Manager

Refer to report.

7. GOVERNING BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

None.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

9. CLOSED SESSION

The Governing Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:48 p.m. for a Conference with Real Property Negotiators pursuant to Government Code § 54956.8 involving property located at (A) 786 N. Park Avenue, Pomona CA and (B) 1172 E. Pasadena Avenue, Pomona, CA.

The Governing Board returned to Open Session at 6:33 p.m. and reported that discussions were held pursuant to the potential acquisition of two properties in Pomona as duly posted, though no actions were taken and no additional information was required to be reported.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Chuck Leeb motioned that the meeting is adjourned; Robin Carder seconded. Without objection, the meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m. (7-0-0-0)