

**TRI-CITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER  
JOINT GOVERNING BOARD / MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING  
MINUTES**

**May 18, 2011**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Governing Board Present:** Paula Lantz, City of Pomona, Chair  
Chuck Leeb, Ph.D, City of Claremont, Vice-Chair  
Robin Carder, City of La Verne  
Joseph M. Lyons, Ph.D, City of Claremont  
Edina Martinez, PsyD, City of Pomona

**Mental Health Commission Present:** Arny Bloom, Acting Chair  
Paul Capraro (*arr @ 5:04 p.m.*)  
Maria Elena Garcia  
Betsy MacLaren  
Sylvia Whitlock, Ph.D.  
Davetta Williams

**Mental Health Commission Absent:** Chris Dransfeldt  
Ginna E. Escobar

**Guests:** Bill Aguirre, City of La Verne  
Mark Lazzaretto, City of Pomona  
Mercy Santoro, City of Claremont  
Darold Pieper, General Counsel  
Carolyn Cockrell, Bonita Unified School District  
Betsey Coffman, League of Women Voters  
Katie Goodwin, MA, MFT, Pomona Unified School District  
Christina Vera, 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, Quality Assurance Manager  
Rimmi Hundal, MHSA Manager  
Sonny Alino, Employment Outreach Coordinator  
Nancy Day, Executive Assistant

**CALL TO ORDER**

- A. Paula Lantz called the Governing Board Meeting to order at 4:47 p.m.
- B. Arny Bloom called the Mental Health Commission Meeting to order at 4:47 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

- A. A visual roll call was taken for the Governing Board.
- B. A visual roll call was taken for the Mental Health Commission.

**1. GOVERNING BOARD. INSTALLATION OF NEWLY APPOINTED GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER**

The oath of office was administered by General Counsel Darold Pieper to Joseph M. Lyons, Ph.D, a newly appointed member of the Board of Directors ("Governing Board") representing the City of Claremont.

**2. GOVERNING BOARD. PRESENTATION**

Jesse Duff presented Larry Schroeder with a plaque in recognition of his service (two years) on the Tri-City Governing Board. Mr. Schroeder related appreciation on his ability to participate on the Tri-City Governing Board, especially during the period of growth experienced by the agency, and looked forward to continuing to be a positive voice for Tri-City.

**3. GOVERNING BOARD. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. Approval of Minutes from April 20, 2011 Governing Board Meeting
- B. Approval of Published Rates for Tri-City Mental Health Center for Fiscal Years 2010-11
- C. Approval of Letter to CA DMH Requesting Disbursement of Mental Health Services Act Unrequested and Unapproved Prior Year Component Allocations Through Fiscal 2010-11 Held at the State in Tri-City's Sub-accounts

Chuck Leeb, Ph.D motioned that the Governing Board approves the Consent Calendar as herein presented; Robin Carder seconded. Without objection, motion passed on a vote of five in favor, one absent, and one abstain. (*Escobar absent; Lyons abstain*) (5-0-1-1)

**4. GOVERNING BOARD. ACTION ITEM**

- A. Approval of Increase in PEI Funding for the K-12 PREPaRE Training and Related Efforts

Dr. Leeb motioned that the Governing Board approves additional non-recurring PEI funding to support the expansion of the PREPaRE training and related efforts for the three Tri-City school districts; Edina Martinez, Psy.D seconded. Without objection, motion passed on a vote of five in favor and one absent. (*Escobar*) (5-0-1-0)

## 5. GOVERNING BOARD. REPORTS

### A. Executive Director

- Clinic Operations – Garey Location

The clinic project began the week of May 9 and is targeted for completion by the end of September 2011. During this period meetings of the Tri-City Governing Board will be held at the Alexander Hughes Community Center in Claremont. BIACO will be relocated at the beginning of July until the first floor remodel has been completed.

- MHSA Updates

- Wellness Center

Construction of the Wellness Center remains on schedule and is projected to be completed by mid-August 2011. Wellness Center staff members have been relocated to temporary offices, though program services continue at the Garey clinic.

- MHSA 2011-12 Annual Update

Tri-City's Annual Update was filed with the CA Department of Mental Health (CA DMH) and the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) on April 15, 2011. The MHSOAC confirmed receipt of these documents in a letter dated April 22, adding that since enactment of AB 100, the MHSOAC no longer reviews or approves funding requests. In subsequent discussions with both the MHSOAC and CADMH, it is the opinion of Tri-City staff that the MHSA Annual Update, as published and approved by the Governing Board, is now effective.

- Future MHSA Funding Process and AB 100

Although events at the state level continue to change, it has been determined that the CA DMH is being dissolved and the CA Mental Health Directors Association (CMHDA) will most likely become the primary mental health advocate at the state level. Annual MHSA Updates will continue to be provided to a department at the state that has not yet been designated for record keeping purposes of locally approved Plans.

In accordance with AB 100, the 2011-12 component allocations will be distributed in fiscal 2011-12 and include 50% in August 2011, and 50% on a monthly basis by April 30, 2012.

Efforts are continuing to ensure receipt of prior year component allocations that have not yet been approved or requested. *(Refer to Item 3.C of agenda materials.)*

B. Chief Financial Officer

*Refer to report.*

C. Director of Clinical Program Services

*Refer to report.*

D. Director of Operations

*Refer to report.*

E. Quality Assurance Manager

*Refer to report.*

F. MHSA Manager

*Refer to report.*

**6. MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION.**

A. Approval of Minutes from March 8, 2011 Mental Health Commission Meeting

Paul Capraro motioned that the Mental Health Commission approves the Minutes from March 8, 2011 as herein presented; Maria Elena Garcia seconded. Without objection, motion passed on a vote of six in favor and two absent. *(Dransfeldt, Escobar) (6-0-2-0)*

B. Approval of Minutes from April 7, 2011 Public Hearing Hosted by the Mental Health Commission

Sylvia Whitlock, Ph.D motioned that the Mental Health Commission approves the Minutes from the April 7, 2011 Public Hearing as herein presented; Davetta Williams seconded. Without objection, motion passed on a vote of six in favor and two absent. *(Dransfeldt, Escobar) (6-0-2-0)*

**7. GOVERNING BOARD / MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION. PRESENTATION(S)**

**A. Healthcare Reform and Integration**

Director of Clinical Program Services Toni Navarro, LMFT presented information on Healthcare Reform and Integration. Information included a broad description of the National Healthcare Reform Act and the Medicaid Waiver 1115, as well as the ongoing transformation of mental health services in the state of California. The overarching framework for both the Reform Act and Waiver 1115 is the same – *the goal of "integrated care."*

Three options have been proposed to achieve integrated care which includes:

- (1) Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC)
- (2) Person Centered Homes (with co-located staff), *and*
- (3) (3) Clinical Integration

At the 2011 CMHDA Spring Policy Forum held May 2, it was determined there is no prevailing approach being utilized within the state. There are County DMH systems using the fully integrated approach, some using the co-located approach, while others have solely adopted the facilitated referral approach.

Due to the complexity of the issues involved, at this time Tri-City has elected to establish a Clinical Integration approach whereby the agency will help clients coordinate care occurring at multiple different clinics or sites. Training of staff began this past year and procedures were changed to reflect a growing commitment to close collaboration with primary care and substance abuse providers in our three cities in order to ensure that our client's needs are addressed simultaneously and effectively in all areas.

The close collaboration with our primary care and substance abuse providers is completely in-step with Tri-City's goal to become a community-wide System of Care as we continue to be committed to providing integrated care services.

**B. Consumer Employment Services**

Employment Outreach Coordinator Sonny Alino presented information on Consumer Employment Services. Information included data on service provision to 114 unduplicated clients and 416 duplicated clients through April 30, 2011. Services included assistance with barriers involving résumé development, job applications, etc., including those seeking education through colleges, trade schools, and other methods.

**8. GOVERNING BOARD / MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION. PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Christina Vera, Community Member* – Expressed “thanks” again to Tri-City for all of the assistance the agency has provided to her family. Offered comments on belief that all health care is local, is the responsibility of all cities, family practice clinics, etc. Commented on the Federally Quality Health Centers (FQHC) being established by way of the Healthcare Reform Act and Integration efforts, and the many, many other models available throughout the nation. Additional comments included information relating to a facility near the PUSD Village at Indian Hill Boulevard and Holt that is interested in achieving FQHC status, and bonuses being offered to doctors working at FQHC facilities. Ms. Vera spoke on the potential of Tri-City revising its JPA to allow for the inclusion of services by other providers, as well as, the intention of NAMI Pomona Valley to speak with each of the three cities in relation to these reform efforts.

**9. GOVERNING BOARD / MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION. ADJOURNMENT**

Without objection, the Governing Board meeting was adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Without objection, the Mental Health Commission meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m.