Sacramento County Mental Health Board Executive Committee Meeting

MINUTES – TELECONFERENCE MEETING Tuesday, July 18, 2023 12:00 pm

Members Present: Corrine Sako, Paul Wagstaffe, William Cho, Patricia Wentzel (staff: Glenda Basina)

Members Absent: None

I. Welcome and Introductions
Acknowledgement of Conduct Agreement
Committee Member Announcements

Chair Sako convened the meeting at 12:03pm. Introductions were made and Conduct Agreement as found on webpage acknowledged.

Member Wentzel mentioned no MHSA meeting in July.

II. Discussion/Action Item: Review & Approve Agenda for 8/02/23 MHB General Meeting

Chair shared draft agenda onscreen. Shortened time on committee liaison workgroup reporting. Mentioned Evan Minton application for CWRT. Brief County Counsel presentation on Brown Act for new members. Discussion/action for full board to approve performance report. Additional proposal to have full board vote to form an AdHoc workgroup to look into Behavioral Health modernization (changes to MHSA act). Feels an area to provide advisement. Member Wentzel and Vice-Chair Wagstaffe agrees a very important topic. Member Wentzel moved to approve agenda with correction/addition. Paul seconded. Unanimously approved.

III. Housekeeping/Administrative Issues:

- MHB Committee and Liaison Reports
- Review Status of MHB Executive Goals 2023
- Discuss Need for Establishing a Standard Practice for MHB Members Sharing Materials

Chair brought up board's goals at mid-year on website and to be presented to BOS 8/22 with the performance report. Much of the reports and processes are now on the web. No site visit template and to consider. Identify/create management tool; Tracking goals and progress pertains to recommendations made to BH division pending progress. Mission/values still need to be worked on. Doing good on recruitment/recommendation MHB approval.

On establishing a standard practice for MHB members sharing materials. Materials/article sharing sent to Jason, mitigates Brown Act. Chair ask if this is okay. Member Wentzel thinks there's value for a member to share with another board member for certain topics as an fyi. Vice- Chair Wagstaffe on positional issues should come to executive council if appropriate to put in meetings. Also more attention if in-person than emails with people inundated with emails. Likes system now for article presentation/sharing, doesn't see it's been abused today. It's been useful. If taking a stand on an issue best to go to committee then to board. Secretary Cho takes consensus with others. Difference between opinion/articles. When editorial pieces shared for/against certain groups. If sharing, should just be factual. Opinions should be kept to ourselves. Per Chair, this discussion to be an action item next time. Sees values in everyone's comments. In the opinion that nothing has been abused. Have the ability to delete. Asking if needed to be brought to hash out or table. Vice-Chair agrees with all heard, taking note in Secretary Cho's comment to share factual than opinions. Not sure what amounts to opinions than factual. Concern on deciding one or another will need to have a gatekeeper, putting a lot of discretion on one person. If opinion part got to be abusive then at that point censor. Can live with it as is now than having a gatekeeper. Member Wentzel sees a difficulty. Helpful to see when there's negative news on county Behavioral Health. Good and important for the group

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to know. Asked if she submitted a letter as a public, will this be sent to all MHB members? Need to differentiate rules for board members procedure. Sounds good to have on paper. Hearing for MHSA in September and too fast to pass through board.

IV. Update on MHB 2023 Site Visits Schedule

Scheduling update. Secretary Cho apologized for delay. Waiting to hear back from several entities for scheduling. Last site visit cancelled still waiting on response. Chair volunteered to be a resource, happy to pick up phone and/or email to help coordinate or need assistance. Hoping to have a site visit in August. Per Secretary Cho, August should not be a problem.

V. Discussion/Action Item: Update on Meeting with MHB Vice Chair, MHB Secretary, BHS Director, & County Counsel Regarding Project Management Software/Application for MHB

Secretary Cho stated meeting is tomorrow at 11:30. Per Chair Sako, hearing from Dr. Quist and County Counsel, budget/practicality would help committee to make a vote. Asks if a vote is needed or table for next month. Member Wentzel shared Behavioral Health has a forms page and can route people there. Secretary Cho fully aware of county website abilities. What's described is something else. Chair Sako to bring subject back next month.

VI. Discussion/Action Item: MHB 2022 Performance Report of the Sacramento County Mental Health System

Vice-Chair Wagstaffe has it mostly finished. Need to insert items in placeholders; Revenue and Needs areas. Received information last week and just haven't had time to make the changes. By end of this week, will have a document for next meeting in August. Appropriate for committee to go through a read through before the meeting. Doesn't know the appropriate way to present. Chair shared and went through briefly on the document onscreen. Consider scheduling a special meeting for committee before the full board. Vice-Chair proposed performance review be approved, be an agenda item at the August meeting as the document now and changes to be provided to Jason tomorrow and give committee a look before the board. Secretary Cho asked about the 7 threshhold languages. Out of the 7 are any others tracked? Just curious because Sac County is the most diverse and there are more languages. Per Member Wentzel, MedCal established it. Thinks it varies per county but could be wrong. Represents only BHS served and not the population. Chair interested to know of other speaking residents and are we counting them. Good to know how the other communities are represented. Vice-Chair to find out. Chair Sako recommends Mary Nakamura. Member Wentzel interested in exploring low percentage served and high percentage in community. Vice-Chair on the budget, had no baseline on where the budget came from that was approved. Will attempt to get general population figures. Chair Sako motioned to approve work product with additional of Paul's added work with review/action at Board meeting. Seconded by Patricia. Motion passes.

VII. Public Comment (3 minutes per person)

No public in attendance.

VIII. Adjournment

Chair Sako adjourned the meeting at 12:58pm and reminded next month's meeting is on 8/22 at noon.