

County of Los Angeles – Department of Mental Health
OFFICE OF THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION
 Thursday, June 22, 2017
 Meeting Minutes
 Lawrence Lue, Vice Chair, Facilitating

APPROVED on September 28, 2017 by Unanimous vote

Discussion	Recommendation/ Action/Motion
1. Call to Order by Vice Chair Lue Roll Call – Canetana Hurd – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Absent Excuse: Herman DeBose, Cynthia Sanchez, Kita Curry, Caroline Kelly, Tiombe Wallace, and Jeannine Pearce • Absent: Connie Salgado-Sanchez 	ACTION: None
Approval of May 25, 2017 minutes – TABLED DUE TO QUORUM UNMET	ACTION: None
2. Public Comments – Commission received 12 public comments. Two referred to DMH staff for further assistance <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Clarification on elimination of funding for crisis residential housing in the AV b. Wrap in the arts – preventative programs c. Housing problems with vouchers d. Utilize and treat people who were hired as peer specialists and community workers better e. Public comment f. Announcements on re-entry programs g. Spoke about issues with two sons with mental illnesses h. Announcement i. Comments on crisis intervention training and men’s reintegration center j. Clarification on Men’s Reintegration opening k. LPS Conservatorship l. Housing deposit lost because case worker interacted with landlord. 	ACTION: Follow up with referrals
3. Discussion Action Items/Update – Vice Chair Lue <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Election of Commission Officers – The following slate was presented by Commissioner Cooperberg <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair-Caroline Kelly 1st Vice Chair – Lawrence Lue 2nd Vice Chair – Merilla M. Scott Member-at-Large – Herman DeBose <p style="margin-left: 20px;">Election tabled due to lack of quorum</p>	ACTION:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on CALBHB/C (California Association of Local Behavioral Health Boards and Commissions) annual meeting and election in Irvine, CA – Commissioners Lue and Kelly attended the meeting. Vice Chair Lue reported on the status of the reorganization of CALBHBC. 	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. CALBHBC reorganization involves 5 regions b. Los Angeles County is a region in itself and has 3 regional director positions. The LA County directors will regularly meet with Southern Region Directors to look at common concerns and strategies. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Plan Update Vice Chair Lue presented the goals developed at the retreat the Commission’s first mission, vision, and values. Goal 1. Review and evaluate the mental health needs, services, facilities, and special problems. Goal 2. Review any County agreements entered between the Mental Health Services and local programs in accordance with the California Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 5604.2 (2). Goal 3. Establish standing committees and ad hoc committees, comprised of Commissioners and others with specific expertise, to address special needs, projects, and issues to impact and improve mental health services in Los Angeles County. Goal 4. Assess the impact of the integration and realignment of services. <p>Vision All Los Angeles County individuals, families, and communities have access to effective mental health care.</p> <p>Mission</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •To advise the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and Department of Mental Health Director on issues impacting the County mental health system. •To review and approve the procedures used to ensure community and professional involvement at all stages of the planning process. <p>Values</p> <p>Accountability for Care We believe services and programs should be held to high quality standards and result in effective care and positive outcomes.</p> <p>Access to Person Centered Care We believe treatment should be easily accessed, in a welcoming and respectful environment, and tailored to meet differences in individual need. The individual should be a partner in their treatment process.</p> <p>Comprehensive Care We believe in the systematic coordination of health care that addresses mental health, substance abuse and primary care</p>	<p>ACTION: Approve Values Statement at July meeting.</p>

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<p>services to ensure the best outcomes for those with multiple healthcare needs. Comprehensive care should also address stigma and structural barriers to individuals in obtaining education, employment, secure housing and other needed services.</p> <p>Trauma Informed Care We believe the organization and treatment framework should involve understanding, recognizing and responding to the effects of all types of trauma, not just on the individual seeking treatment but to the family and community.</p> <p>Community Responsive Care We believe in recognizing individual and systematic bias and responding to issues that lead to disparities in either allocation of resources or poor outcomes for specific communities or sub-populations. Cultural customs, practices or rituals that can positively impact treatment outcomes should be identified and incorporated, where possible.</p> <p>The focus on developing the mission, vision, and values are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. To be consumer friendly and not just technical talk b. Reviewing and assuring that the Commission fulfill the responsibilities of the WIC. c. How will the Commission address the WIC 	
<p>4. DMH Report – Dr. Rod Shaner, DMH Medical Director and Dr. Robin Kay, DMH Chief Deputy Director</p> <p>Initiatives update –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review looking at the the manner in which we manage our hospitals under DMH. Carefully monitor patients who are admitted and who will be detained • Monitor trainings to make sure people are trained with the ability to help and placed to promote improvement • Reorganization – Monitor professional disciplines within DMH. Look at standards on disciplines to provide state of the art methods. Look at office of diversion and re-entry and work with AB 109. Motion passed for DMH and County Counsel to look at all ways that health and mental health applications can be changed or what can be done. • Make sure persons who require the best quality of care receive it. <p>Dr. Robin Kay Budget – Financial impact to DMH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State returned the responsibility of IHSS (Intensive Home Supportive Services) back to LA County which creates a financial impact. County will have to share a percentage of the VLF (vehicle license fee) growth with IHSS over a five year period; 1) 100% of VLF for 3 years, 2) 50% of VLF for 2 years. 	

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<p>Measure H –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will impact LA County October 2017 • Some funding will roll out in July for CalWorks program, Shelter Bed program dedicated to urgent care immediate needs, and immediate availability of housing resources for clients in critical need <p>Forensic Programs –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two programs operating FSP (300 slots) will be available under DMH delegated authority. • Men’s reintegration has opened on Skid Row. Sixteen men have joined the program. <p>State audit of SB 82 programs –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feedback from auditors was positive. Auditors complimented the lime green t-shirts worn by all staff and volunteers. <p>New facility openings –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long Beach opened • Northeast ground breaking 	
<p>5. Opportunities to Learn and Innovate through MHSA – “Innovation” Debbie Innes-Gomberg, DHM Deputy Director - (2nd of 5 MHSA Presentations)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Five percent of both CCS and PEI goes to Innovations • Requirements of the Innovations project <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Increase access b. Increase quality c. Promote interagency and community collaborations related to mental health services d. Reducing stigma associated with traditional mental illness seeking • Google Verily technology - Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission recommended testing the Google Verily technology. The technology uses 10x thinking to unfold greater solutions to apply to mental health. It will alert users of changes in health and mental health behaviors or symptoms occurring through their mobile devices. Users are able to engage dialogue with a peer staff, licensed supervisor, or psychiatrist. • DMH will submit a proposal to utilize the Google Verily technology on FSPs for testing purposes. The proposal will be part of Innovations 3. 	
<p>6. Commissioners’ Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioner Cooperberg – Attended Sheriff Oversight Commission meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to report back to the board with recommendations for MET teams. Issues raised; 1) DMH having difficulty recruiting staff to participate on teams. One suggestion was to provide incentives such as wearing bullet proof vests and weapons. 2) Expand law enforcement mental health training for all law enforcement agencies. 	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioner Lue – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The data notebook requested by California State Planning Counsel for 2016 was submitted. Data notebook for 2017 will focus on older adults and will be available in December. b. Announced that Commissioner Sanchez was granted a sabbatical and will be away for several months. 	
<p>7. SAAC Co-Chairs/Community Reports/LACCC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAAC 2 – Patricia Russell Topics from last SAAC meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Panel discussion on co-occurring disorders with Dr. Shaner ❖ Discussions on family and client issues continues ❖ Medi-Cal waiver • SAAC 3 – William Legere <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Meeting held in city hall ❖ Good meeting with vibrant discussions • SAAC 6 – Reba Stevens <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Moving in the direction of peers and family members to become more involved ❖ SAAC meetings will relocate back to the Augustus Hawkins location effective July 2017 • SAAC 8 – Paul Stansbury <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Attended an Open House for new SA 8 District Office; Supervisor Hahn, Commissioners Kelly and Wallace also attended ❖ Working on homelessness and trauma informed care priorities. Presentation on trauma lens at last meeting. ❖ Dark in July 	
<p>Meeting adjourned - Next Meeting – July 27, 2017 @ 11:00 am – 1:30 pm Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration – Room 738 500 W. Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012</p>	

Meeting highlights by Canetana Hurd