

County of Los Angeles – Department of Mental Health
OFFICE OF THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION
 Thursday, May 25, 2017
 MEETING MINUTES
 CAROLINE KELLY, JD, CHAIR, FACILITATING

APPROVED on September 28, 2017 by Unanimous Vote

Discussion	Recommendation/ Action/Motion
1. Call to Order by Chair Kelly Roll Call – Terry Lewis – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Absent Excused: Herman DeBose, Jo Helen Graham • Absent: Commissioner Sofro, Commissioner Pearce 	ACTION: None
Approval of April 27, 2017 minutes – Motion moved to approve the minutes as corrected - MSC: Cooperberg/Sanchez/Unanimous	ACTION: None
2. Public Comments – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catherine Clay - What’s going on with the Women’s Reintegration • Reba Stevens – Commented on the responsibility the commission has, in terms of sensitivity for those who utilize DMH services and exercise public comment • Tiffany DuVernay – Need to talk to someone about an incident that occurred at the Peer Action 4 Change Meeting • Cleo – Spoke about derogatory words used by delegates of DMH at SHARE • Jamie Grant – Stated as a member of Peer Action 4 Change, he confirmed the incidents that have been occurring • Jacqueline Glass – Stated she was unaware of the form she needed to complete in order to speak • Wendy Cabil – Wrote what peers need to feel welcomed without being afraid to speak up and how can LACDMH assure that their voices are being heard 	
3. Discussion Action Items/Update – Caroline Kelly <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of the Brown Act/ Public Comment Presentation • Reviewed the Vision and Mission Statements • Commission Strategic Plan Review and Update 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2017 Nominations Committee ACTION: Nomination Committee members are Commissioner Cooperberg and Sanchez. Prepared to present a slate but unable to have a conversation Received nominations for those who are interested in different positions (Chair, 1st Vice Chair, 2nd Vice Chair and two at-large) 	ACTION: Extend the deadline for submitting nominations.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data Notebook Update – Lawrence Lue Has not submitted/ finished the review Received feedback from Commissioner Sanchez and Terry Lewis Action: The data information will be done by tomorrow and sent out by the end of the month 	
<p>4. DMH Report – Dr. Jonathan Sherin, DMH Director</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed how the sacred interface is very important for the commission Resources and support is essential to provide direct clinical support for clients Reviewed DMH Systems of Care <p><u>Pockets of hardship</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Unstable foster and group homes, juvenile halls, jails, prisons, streets, temporary shelters, and other (eviction process or with DV). <p><u>Outreach and Triage</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Teams that reach out to, engage and triage people languishing in the pockets of hardship and connect them to appropriate levels of care. <p><u>Critical Care</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Emergency, urgent and inpatient care provided by other entities for which DMH has fiscal and QOS responsibilities. <p><u>Treatment/ Stabilization Services</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Outpatient mental health services provided in clinics, in the field or in co-located sites that aim to stabilize people experiencing severe mental illness and improve their ability to function. <p><u>Recovery & Reintegration Opportunities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Programs that serve as platforms to support both personal recovery and community reintegration. <p><u>Prevention Activities (Throughout)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Activities that reduce stigma, facilitate timely access to care, mitigate impact of trauma, and reduce the risk of suicide and other adverse outcomes. 	
<p>5. Commissioners’ Report – Commissioner Sanchez</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> was invited to give a welcome to the Latino Mental Health Conference and shared information about the Commission <p>Commissioner Lue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> participated in the Grand Opening on the Peer Resource Center at DMH Headquarters, Presentations by the Board of Supervisors to recognize May 10 as API Mental Health Awareness Day, Spirituality Conference and the Open House at the East San Gabriel Mental Health Center 	
<p>6. SAAC Co-Chairs/Community Reports/LACCC</p>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SAAC 1 – Chad Scott<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Meeting for SAAC 1 is held on the third Thursday of every month❖ Reviewing Innovations II❖ Working on community participation• SAAC 6 – Dorothy Banks<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ SA 6 is trying to obtain more client involvement❖ Suggest outreach and engagement to find services in the community• SAAC 8 – Paul Stansbury<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ June 25 is the Pathways to Recovery Conference addressing the needs of clients and consumers	
<p>Meeting adjourned - Next Meeting – June 22, 2017 @ 11:00 am – 1:30 pm Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 W. Temple Street, Room 739 Los Angeles, CA 90012</p>	

Meeting highlights by Valerie Maldonado