

MINUTES APPROVED 05/15/2014

MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

April 17, 2014

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Live Oak Senior Center

1777 Capitola Road, Santa Cruz, CA

Present: Bill Lewis, John Laue, and Supervisor Neal Coonerty

Excused Absence: Denise Ostlund, Maria Correia

Unexcused Absence: Ann Andrews

1. Approved meeting minutes for March 20, 2014: April 17, 2014 no quorum, pass approval to May 15th meeting.
2. Public Hearing for input: Alicia Najera, County of Santa Cruz Mental Health Program Manager, presented an overview of the “Mental Health Services Act (Prop 63) 3 Year Program & Expenditure Plan”. No action taken.
3. a. Board of Supervisor’s Report: Supervisor Neal Coonerty reported on the research of the bylaws which states the member may reside in the district he/she represents – not imperative, but wants to encourage people to submit an application to the supervisor of the districts with vacancies.
b. Mental Health Director’s report: Erik Riera absent due to illness, no report.
4. a. George Carvalho, Advocacy Inc, gave an overview of the role of the patient’s rights advocacy staff. Reported on the service for clients and understanding the patients’ rights and appeal process.
b. Stan Einhorn, Program Manager, presented an overview and organizational chart for Santa Cruz County Children’s Mental Health community based agencies contracted services, system of care.
5. a. Appointment of co-chair, no quorum, tabled to May 15th meeting.
b. Continuing Board education. No action taken.
6. The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.