

**MINUTES 08/20/2015 Approved**

**MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD**

August 20, 2015

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Mental Health Client Action Network  
1051 Cayuga St., Santa Cruz, CA 95062

**Present:** Denise Outland, John Laue, Kate Avraham, Maria Correia, and Sheryl Lee

**Excused Absence:** Hugh McCormick and Rick Martinez

**Unexcused Absence:** Supervisor Ryan Coonerty

1. b. There will be a public hearing of the Santa Cruz County Mental Services Act “2015-2016 annual update, three year program and expenditure plan” at the October 15, 2015 Mental Health Advisory Board meeting at 1400 Emeline, Building K, Room 207, Santa Cruz, California. Website is [www.santacruzhealth.org](http://www.santacruzhealth.org).  
c. Approved meeting minutes of July 16, 2015, as amended.  
AYES: Denise Outland, John Laue, Kate Avraham, Maria Correia and Sheryl Lee  
ABSTAIN: None
2. a. Board of Supervisor’s Report: Supervisor Ryan Coonerty absent, no report.  
b. Mental Health Director’s report: Erik Riera reported the State approved the waiver for Santa Cruz County. PREP update – staff is trained to provide services. Recruiting psychiatrists – have four potential prospects.  
c. Committee and Board Member Reports: Kate Avraham, committee member for the youth team, reported that youth are under-served by mental health system in Santa Cruz County because of the lack of providers. The committee is conducting a survey with Dane Cervine, Children’s Mental Health Program Manager, pediatricians, teacher about long-term goals in Santa Cruz County (what works/what doesn’t work, outreach into schools for early identification of potential problems). Committee member for adult team, Maria Correia, reported she will do site visits to Santa Cruz County patient facilities with Hugh McCormick.
3. a. Continuing action items from July 16, 2015 meeting.
  - Change hours of Mental Health Advisory Board – issue resolved, no further discussion needed. Removed from meeting agenda.
  - Discuss training of members issue resolved, no further discussion needed. Removed from meeting agenda.
  - Review of membership terms – review Assembly Bill AB1424, Mullin. Mental Health: community mental health board. An act to amend Section 5604 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to metal health.
  - Discuss 2015 Data Notebook - Santa Cruz County 2015 Data Notebook for all Board members to review and submit to Linda Dickerson by September 4, 2015.
- 4 The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.