

Minutes

Heidi Strunk, President, CCMH, called the meeting to order at 10:14 am.

Approval of Membership Application

Dahlquist moves, Shaw seconds to approve CA Association of Local Behavioral Health Boards/Commissions as a CCMH member. Motion passed unopposed.

Approval of September 2018 Meeting Minutes

Shaw moves, Costello seconds to approve the September 2018 meeting minutes. Abstentions by those who were not present at the Sept meeting. Motion passed unopposed

Treasurer's Report included in packet. Invoices set to be sent by mail in January.

CCMH is still looking for a replacement for the Secretary position.

CCMH Housing Workgroup

Chad Costello, Mental Health America Los Angeles, and Chair of the *CCMH Housing Workgroup* presented on the status of the group. Affordable housing remains an issue in California. Will be looking at new legislation introduced in this session.

Robinson recommends taking a comprehensive look at the workgroup structure and CCMH mission and goals. Strunk reads CCMH Mission and Advocacy to frame the conversation. Shaw recommends revisiting Agenda for Fairness and ensuring it applies to the workgroups. Hagar points out that while the housing bonds have passed, implementation will continue to be an issue. Adcock advocates diligence in monitoring how the grants are applied and ensure that funds are allocated for housing of people with mental illness. We need to figure out how to monitor projects after the money is distributed. There also should be attention paid to Board and Care options.

Strunk recommends keeping the workgroup going. Members include Adcock, Robinson, Helmick, Dahlquist, Comstock (or designee) and Welch.

CCMH De-Criminalization Workgroup

Sheron Wright, Council on Criminal Justice and Behavioral Health, presented on *the CCMH De-Criminalization Workgroup*. The group did not meet in November or December. The group provides updates on criminal justice information and track and monitor bills of interest to CCMH. There was an ACLU paper that the group commented on. Looking to get ACLU back into the workgroup and coalition. Dahlquist suggests looking at specific bills; Helmick suggests looking at transitional clinics to reduce recidivism. Consensus is to move forward with workgroup.

CCMH Parity Workgroup

CCMH Parity Workgroup Update Randall Hagar, California Psychiatric Association presented on the parity group. The group looks at legislation and lawsuits that affect the outcome of parity. Newly elected Insurance Commissioner should be a champion for parity. The Department of Managed Health Care has completed onsite audits and results are on the public DMHC website. Levy suggests disbanding the workgroup but continuing to share information on bills and legal activity. Gonzales recommends inviting Insurance Commissioner to a future meeting. There is discussion to ensure that the issue remain on the forefront of the coalition as a whole. Consensus reached that the workgroup will no longer exist but the issues should continue to be raised at the coalition level.

Presentation on SB 66 (Atkins and McGuire)-Same Day Billing

Michael Helmick, California Primary Care Association, presented on SB 66 (Atkins and McGuire)-Same Day Billing. The bill was introduced on January 8, 2019. The sponsors are also looking into a budget strategy and hoping the new Administration will look more favorably than the last.

Link to bill: http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB66

Hagar moves, Thull seconds to support SB 66. MPU; Helmick, Mudgett, Comstock abstain.

Member Announcements

MHAC: AB 8 (more on that later); looking to work on Telemedicine with 2020 Moms; Mental Health Matters Day-May 22, 2019. Ruthie Bolton will be Keynote Speaker. MHAC will be working with Cruz Strategies this year.

NASW: Annual Lobby Day will be April 7 and 8, 2019.

CALBHBC CA Assn. of Local Behavioral Health Boards and Commissions-New member.

Each Mind Matters: Steve Lopez will headline Each Mind Matters on January 24, 2019. Mental Health Days in May at five MLB and Rivercats stadiums.

CCJBH-Capitol briefing.

CCBHA: Looking at 2020 waivers, and Youth MH First Aid in schools and workforce development.

NUHW: 3500 members went on weeklong strike last month; discussing second strike.

Visit <https://nuhw.org/kaiser-dont-deny/> for more information.

CASRA: Spring Convention: http://www.casra.org/docs/2019_spr_save_the_date_flyer.pdf

20th Anniversary of Olmstead decision; 2019 priorities carry over from 2018.

REMHDCO: The OAC will be reviewing RFP for refugees and immigrants on January 24th meeting. Any support for a more robust process will be appreciated.

CPCA: SB 66; prioritizing workforce issues; dental services in schools.

CBHPC: Patients' Rights Issues in Jails; implementation of AB 2316 with DRC. Next meeting is January 16-18 in San Diego and will include approval of five-year workforce plan. Looking for funding of workforce plan.

CPA: Training primary care professionals and staff on psychiatry. 5th Annual weekend CME in Las Vegas on February 1-2, 2019. UCI and UCD programs offer one-year Fellowship in primary care psychiatry.

Presentation on SB 10 Peer Provider Certification, SB 11 Mental Health Parity and SB 12 Youth Mental Health Drop-In Centers

Senator Jim Beall, 15th District and Gregory Cramer, Office of Senator Beall

- Senator Beall created Senate Mental Health Caucus to have legislators meet once a month to discuss MH priorities and hear from guest speakers.
- In 2018, many MH bills were vetoed. Article in SF Chronicle which highlights the Department of Finance high rate of opposition of MH bills.
- With a new administration, there's hope of new engagement and prioritization of mental health. Parity should include cultural competency and extend to Medi-Cal.

Potential Action to Support

SB 10 (Re-introduction of SB 906) Peer Certification

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB10

Jain moves, Hagar seconds to support SB 10. Ayers abstains.

SB 11-MH Parity (Steinberg Institute sponsored)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB11

Hagar moves, Creason seconds to support SB 11. MPU. Helmick, Ayers, Comstock, Mudgett abstain.

SB 12-Youth Drop-in Centers aimed at early intervention based on BC and Aus

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB12

Gonzales moves, Erin seconds to support SB 12. MPU. Robinson, Ayers, Comstock abstain.

Q&A

Any thought to move MH out of DHCS? Shaw suggests the Coalition take a position to move MH and SUD and/or have a dedicated advocate in the Governor's Office. Robinson suggests talking to Behavioral Health Action to raise the issue as well. There's a draft letter from August 2011 that Hagar will send to Creason as a starting point. CASRA, CAMHPRA, MHALA, MHAC, CPA, DRC, CBHPC will join workgroup.

On housing issues-Sen. Beall advises speaking with Senator Hurtado, Chair of Sen Human Services, Senator Maria Elena Durazo, Senator Anna Caballero, and Assemblymember Robert Rivas.

Kansen Chu, 25th District, presented on AB 8, Mental Health Services in K-12 Schools

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB8

This bill is a re-introduction of AB 2022, which was watered down to a mandate to provide information to students and parents (and not the mandate to have a MH professional in every school).

Suggestion to include language on diverse individuals who represent the student population and to ensure there's a 1:600 Full-time ratio in bill.

Creason moves, Hagar seconds to support AB 8. MPU. Gonzales Mudgett, Dahlquist, Calcagno, Comstock, Robinson abstain.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm

Next meeting:

Wednesday March 13, 2019 | 10am-3pm
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