

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD  
**ADULT SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES ■ Thursday, June 2, 2016**

<b>Present:</b> Karyn Bates, Co-Chair Nancy Borchard, Co-Chair Sid White, BHAB Ratan Bhavnani, BHAB Gane Brooking, BHAB Kaetie Pfeiffer, Aegis Rachel McDuffee, Aegis Eileen Tracy, Family Engagement in Re-Entry David Deutsch, NAMI Tina Mallory, Rescue Mission Asencion Romero, TAY Tunnel Cheryl Malinowski, Telecare Kalie Matisek, Turning Point Foundation Mark Schumacher, Turning Point Foundation Debra Schreiber, VSSTF	<b>VCBH staff:</b> John Schipper, Adult Division Manager Anita Catapusan, ANSFM Irma Victorino, Management Assistant  <b>Guest:</b> Jason Meek, Turning Point Foundation  <b>Next meeting: Thursday July 7, 2016</b> <b>Lake Tahoe Conf. Room, Oxnard</b>
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Note: The Committee has not yet approved these minutes. There may be corrections before they are accepted in their final form.

	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSIONS	RECOMMENDATIONS/ ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE
<b>I.</b>	<b>Call to Order</b> Co-chair Karyn Bates called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.		
<b>II.</b>	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> Co-chair Bates welcomed everyone and requested introductions.		
<b>III.</b>	<b>Approval of the Agenda</b> 1. Co-chair Borchard asked the Committee for any discussion or changes to the agenda. 2. A motion was made and seconded approving the agenda.	The agenda was approved. M/S/C	
<b>IV.</b>	<b>Approval of the Minutes</b> 1. Co-chair Borchard asked the Committee for any discussion or changes to the May 5, 2016 minutes of meeting. 2. A motion was made and seconded approving the minutes as written.	The minutes were approved as written. M/S/C	
<b>V.</b>	<b>Chair Announcements</b>		
	1. Co-chair Borchard mentioned that some members of the Behavioral Health Advisory Board conducted a tour at the county jail last week and found the tour to be informative. She noted that some of the things hoped to change had changed. There was a brief discussion on some concerns and issues surrounding the current situations of inmates especially those who have mental challenges. Gane Brooking suggested inviting Heather Johnson, VCBH staff overseeing clients in the jail, to present next meeting to discuss mental health services provided to individuals in the jail. 2. Rescue Mission had its Family Day last Saturday. Partners and families were invited to the event. 3. Co-chair Bates shared the following articles: a. Ventura County STAR, May 29, 2016 issue - <i>"How Mental-Health Advocate"</i> featuring Lou Matthews, former BHAB member, and her husband. Lou founded the National Alliance on Mental Illness 35 years ago. b. <i>"Group Seeks Help for Homeless Families"</i> which talked about Family Promise and Interfaith Hospitality Network looking for congregations to provide temporary space for children and their families experiencing homelessness.	Invite Heather Johnson present next meeting	Karyn Bates/ Nancy Borchard
<b>VI.</b>	<b>Public Comment</b> None		

<p><b>VII.</b></p>	<p><b>Time Certain: Presentation, Jason Meek, Executive Director, Turning Point Foundation</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mr. Meek gave a thorough overview on the nature and business structure of Turning Point Foundation encompassing the different rehabilitation programs, shelter, and supported housing. He mentioned that as a non-profit agency in Ventura County, it is designed to support the critical needs of mentally ill adults dealing with day-to-day challenges of mental issues.</li> <li>2. This year, Turning Point Foundation turns 28. Historically, as Executive Director for over a year and half now, Mr. Meek noted that Turning Point has been responsive to the community and continue to provide meaningful and impactful services to maximize what they can offer. As partner with community and families, they welcome suggestions, feedback, and comments with the goal of seeking constant improvement and avoid duplication of services.</li> <li>3. Their two Rehabilitation Centers (Oxnard Clubhouse and New Visions) and two Wellness Centers in Oxnard and Ventura strive to offer programs focusing on empowering members in order to develop their own wellness and recovery plans. These centers aim to create an environment of acceptance by offering unique socialization and rehabilitation services with emphasis on wellness and recovery principles. Peers are employed in all components. The Oxnard Wellness Center provides evening classes/groups for Spanish and Mixteco families.</li> <li>4. <b>Our Safe Place Haven</b> - in order to meet the basic needs of individuals who are homeless and have mental health and/or addiction challenges, Our Place Safe Haven provides emergency housing for ten residents. This is a ten-bed shelter that provides overnight emergency and drop-in services. As a first step to recovery, members can find a safe place to live, take a shower, wash clothes, and receive referrals to mental health. Case managers provide intensive assessment and linkage to housing and family reunification.</li> <li>5. <b>Veterans Transitional Housing Program</b> – the goal of this program is to obtain stable housing for homeless veterans suffering from mental health and/or addiction challenges through supported transitional and permanent housing.</li> <li>6. <b>Quality of Life Project</b> – Mark Schumacher is currently the manager overseeing this program. Creative arts and life enrichment activities are provided to individuals suffering from mental illness living in board &amp; care to master their own recovery.</li> <li>7. <b>Respite Care</b> – Mr. Meek noted that there is not enough affordable housing inventory in the county. Respite care is an extension of “integrated services”; it is preventative, buying time for assessment and keeping things from getting worse. It is best to link with developers to create this type of temporary transitional housing.</li> </ol>		
<p><b>VIII.</b></p>	<p><b>Members Comments</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Turning Point Foundation</b>, Mark Schumacher – Quality of Life project has already been extended for one year. Changes to their contract include providing services at additional sites such as Villa Calleguas, an independent living apartment complex in Camarillo which is managed by Tuning Point foundation. Also, there will be more concentration on socialization.</li> <li>2. <b>Pacific Clinics</b>, Asencion Romero – Pacific Clinics has been awarded the Peer Services contract starting this fiscal year. They are now accepting applications for the Peer Program. They will expand WRAP (Wellness Recovery Action Plan) classes by including a series on substance abuse and classes that will</li> </ol>		

	<p>target younger TAY population.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. <b>Telecare</b>, Cheryl Malinowski – with the delay in the opening of the Horizon View facility, recruitment of staff for this facility has been pushed back as well. Horizon View Implementation Workgroup weekly meeting with Behavioral Health is ongoing.</li> <li>4. <b>NAMI</b>, David Deutsch – NAMI General Meeting on Tuesday, June 14 will talk about suicide prevention awareness. The meeting will be from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at Vineyard Community Church.</li> <li>5. <b>Ventura Social Service Task Force (VSSTF)</b>, Debora Schreiber – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. VSSTF will meet a group from Santa Barbara managing a mobile truck with shower and toilet capacity. They will bring the mobile truck to Ventura. The truck will be parked in church parking lot.</li> <li>b. Ventura County City Council will meet on Monday, June 13 to address issues surrounding the establishment of a permanent shelter with wrap-around services.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>		
<b>IX.</b>	<p><b>Mental Health Update – John Schipper, Adult Division Manager</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Staffing</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) John Schipper was appointed as the new Adult Division Manager effective June 5, 2016</li> <li>b) Pete Pringle will assume the Youth &amp; Family Division Manager position effective June 5, 2016</li> <li>c) Julie Glantz is the interim Region Manager overseeing the STAR/Crisis/RISE program until the new region manager is appointed.</li> <li>d) Recruitment for Behavioral Health Managers is ongoing.</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. The opening of the Horizon View or the locked Mental Health Rehabilitation Center (MHRC) near Camarillo Airport was held in abeyance due to construction delays. The opening date was moved from August to possibly October. The delay will mean extra time to hire qualified applicants. The adult facility will provide 16 beds to individuals from 18-26 years old suffering from severe mental illness. Meeting with the provider, Telecare, is ongoing.</li> <li>3. Meeting of the Laura's Law Implementation workgroup is ongoing. Behavioral Health has started discussions with Telecare as contractor. Deadline to submit application for a SAMHSA grant to support the implementation of an Assisted Outpatient Treatment Team is on June 16. Beneficiaries of the grant will be announced by September 30.</li> </ol>		
<b>X.</b>	<p><b>Alcohol and Drug Update – Anita Catapusan, A New Start for Moms</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fillmore site is now certified as a clinic. Recruitment for a Clinic Administrator for Fillmore Program is ongoing.</li> <li>2. In take process during orientation is being streamlined. Individuals participate in a seven-day orientation program and are able to see a counselor in two days.</li> <li>3. DUI Program has updated its evidence-based curriculum and started to implement this in their DUI education classes.</li> <li>4. Prevention Program is still working on over dose prevention kit; presentation county-wide is ongoing to give education on naloxone. They are now coordinating with AEGIS which starts training on June 22.</li> </ol>		
<b>XI.</b>	<p><b>Adjourn</b></p> <p>The meeting adjourned at 11:55 am. Next meeting is on Thursday, July 7, 2016.</p>		