I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Fresno County Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board (ADAB) was called to order by Chairperson Alton Taylor at 11:00 a.m. at the Fresno County Elections Training Room, 4525 E. Hamilton Ave., Fresno, CA

II. INTRODUCTIONS

Members Present
Alton Taylor, Brian Conway, John Duchscher

Members Absent
Daniel Espinoza

Department of Behavioral Health
Maryann Le, Kelley Juhrrend, Brian Bradley, Sharon Erwin, Darrell Hamilton, Jeremy Boriack, Ike Grewal, Natasha Hagaman, Kathy Anderson, Jim Irwin,

Program Providers and Other Interested Parties
Gary Knepper, Westcare; Todd Blanchett, Turning Point; Rob Martin, FNC; Daizell Osong, FNC; Kamille Marshall, Generational Changes; Kasey Madden, Spirit of Woman, Alstelma Jackson, Antioch; Bee Vue, MedMark; Ricahrd Torosian, Eminence; Kristen Stephens, Eminence; Phil Cowlings, Panacea; Britney Tagouas DPH; Domingo Zapata, FCHC; Carolyn Evans, MHB; Sue Ewert, BAART; Jimmie Bogdanovich, BAART; Felix Enwnua; Delta Care; JD Dhanda, Prodigy; Yami Rodriguez, YLI

III. MINUTES
A. Approve Minutes from November 2013 Meeting

Mr. Conway motioned to approve minutes as submitted. Motion was seconed and all approved.

IV. BOARD BUSINESS
A. Announcements/Correspondence

Discussion regarding meeting changes took place and it was decided to keep ADAB meeting once a month and to remain at 10:00 am. Mr. Conway did express having the providers do presentations of their programs to the Board for 2014.

Mr. Duchscher asked about recruitment for the ADAB, how were people appointed, whose responsible for looking for Board members. Mr. Conway thought that if the requirements were changed as far as conflict of interest was removed that we would be able to recruit more people. Mr. Ducshcer then asked if County staff could help in finding new members. Ms. Le expressed that there should be a separation between the Board and County staff and that staff are available for assistance when required to the Board. He then asked if it would be possible to get names/addresses of retirees of programs to help with recruitment.
B. Election of Chair/Vice Chair

Alton Taylor was nominated for Chair and John Duchscher for Vice Chair. All approved recommendations.

V. SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES UPDATE

A. Support of Contract Awards

C. SAS Update

Ms. Le reminded that recertification is currently in process for Drug Medi-Cal services. She asked that providers adhere to the deadline which is December 15th for application submissions. The State is also looking at going to every five year resubmission.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. The Chair
   No communications

B. Executive Committee
   No communications

C. Mental Health Board
   No report

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Next meeting will be held on January 8th.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 11:45 am.