

**Fresno County Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board
Minutes
February 1, 2012**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Fresno County Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board (ADAB) was called to order by Chairperson Ricky Miller at 12:00 p.m. at the Fresno County Elections Training Room, 4525 E. Hamilton Ave., Fresno, CA

II. INTRODUCTIONS

Members Present

Alton Taylor, Ricky Miller, Brian Conway, Jodi Schroeder, Michael Roth

Members Absent

None

Department of Behavioral Health

Dennis Koch, Kelley Juhrend, Angie Aguilar, Kathy Anderson, Jim Irwin, Natasha Hagaman, Maryann Le, Betty Brown, Jeremy Boriack

Program Providers and Other Interested Parties

Mary Chaisson, Turning Point; Jennifer Koretoff, MHS; Mike Alsup, Aegis; Michael Thomas, Turning Point; Phil Cowings, Panacea; Carolyn Golden, Panacea; Rolando Valero, CHC; Gary Knepper, Westcare; Juanita Fiorello, CAP; Scott Rathburn, BAART; Daisy Lopez, CHC; Aracelia Chavez, CHC; Jenny Gonzalez, Westcare; Ralph Grijalva, SSCC; Susan Murdock, MHS; Domingo Zapata, FCHC; Darrell Hamilton, Westcare; Jessica Ramos, Promesa; Ricardo Vasquez, Promesa

III. MINUTES

A. Approve Minutes from January 2012 Meeting

Chairperson Miller asked if everyone had reviewed the minutes and then asked the Board if there were corrections or deletions to the minutes. A motion was given and seconded to approve and accept the minutes. All approved.

IV. BOARD BUSINESS

A. Announcements/Correspondence

No announcements or correspondence at this time.

V. SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES UPDATE

A. Support of Contract Awards

Mr. Jeremy Boriack presented to the Board the recommendations by the AB109 review committee to support the selection of Turning Point of Central California to conduct AB 109 services. He then asked the Board for their approval of the recommended action. Ms. Miller asked for a motion to approve the action. Mr. Conway asked the ADAB member who was on the committee what they felt was on how they made the selection. The Board member stated that there were 6 proposals submitted

and 3 were not very strong and three were very strong. He recommended for Turning Point based on their proposal. Mr. Conway then made a motion to accept the recommendations of the committee and Mr. Roth seconded. All approved the recommended action.

The next item for support is the Prevention Services Mini Grant Administrator which was presented to the Board by Kathy Anderson. The committee recommends the California Health Collaborative to implement the grant on behalf of the County. Ms. Miller then asked for a motion to approve the recommendation, Mr. Taylor motioned to accept the recommendation. Motion was seconded. All approved.

B. SAS Update

Mr. Koch stated there has been no reduction in financing for AOD services State-wide and current recommendation is to eliminate the Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs and move the functions that the department currently does into three different Departments. One component of the Alcohol and Drug program is to go out and license programs (residential and NTP). This function will now be assigned under the Department of Public Health due to that department having a licensing unit already. Mr Koch stated that he will provide to the Board a five page Powerpoint handout showing the new structure.

Funding is very well protected and there is a slight increase in the Federal Block Grant . Another source of funding is the State General fund. Now since the funds are tied to a percentage of sales tax, the legislature cannot determine how the funds are used or not used. Currently there are no transferability between sub-accounts. Governor will take three aod subaccounts and three mental health subaccounts and place into a larger behavioral health subaccount and then there could be local flexibility. Within those subaccounts, some are considered entitlement programs (Drug Medi-Cal, etc.) and receive federal match dollars. Mr. Koch will provide a copy of the powerpoint presentation and the Trust Fund information for the Board.

Ms. Aguilar gave a presentation on the Counselor Competency Survey that is conducted on an annual basis to show how many counselors are certified within the County.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. The Chair

No Communication

B. Executive Committee

No communications

C. Mental Health Board

No communication

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Roth asked the providers if they have noticed a drop in service with clients who are court ordered to go into treatment but do not follow through due to no consequences or is this just unique to Fresno. Ms. Fiorello from CAP responded that yes with their SASCA clients.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 12:50 pm.