

**Fresno County Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board
Minutes
May 2, 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 10:00 a.m., at the UC Center- Fresno, 550 E. Shaw Ave., Fresno, CA

II. INTRODUCTIONS

Members Present

Alton Taylor; Brian Conway

Members Absent

Jodi Schroeder, Ricky Miller, Michael Roth

Department of Behavioral Health

Dennis Koch, Kelley Juhrend, Angie Aguilar, Jim Irwin; Brian Bradley; Kathy Anderson, Marcellia Black, Betty Brown, Maryann Le, Natasha Hagaman; Jeremy Boriack

Program Providers and Other Interested Parties

Kandi Carter, SOW; Candis Beazlie; SOW; Ralph Grijalva, SSCC; Michael Thomas, Turning Point; Todd Blanchet, Turning Point; Lori Barnes, BAART – VanNess; Linda Dominquez , FNC; Susan Jones, FNC; Richard Torosian, Eminence; Donnie Andrade, Eminence; Denise Gilbertson; Baolia Xiong, CHC; Rolando Valero, CHC; Gary Knepper, Westcare; Lenora Phillips, Westcare; Mana Alapisco, Westcare; Carolyn Evans, Mental Health Board; Robert Singleton, King of Kings; Evi Hernandez, CHC; Cynthia Sapien, YLI; Eugene Taylor, Just 4 Kidz; Phil Cowlings, Panacea; Juanita Fiorello, CAP; Harry Gill; Richardo Vasquez, Promesa

III. MINUTES

A. Approve Minutes from April 2012 Meeting

Unable to approve minutes do to not having a quorum.

IV. BOARD BUSINESS

A. Announcements/Correspondence

None

V. SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES UPDATE

A. Support of Contract Awards

None

B. SAS Update

Mr. Koch had brought up the discussion for the Fact Sheet that was given out at last meeting and would like wait until the Fall so that we can cover the data after the fiscal year closes.

Mr. Koch stated that we are working on a new design for the ADAB and Provider meeting so there is no redundancy .

Mr. Koch announced that on May 8th, we will be taking to the Board of Supervisors amendments to add funds to existing contracts. Federal funds will be used to reduce the waiting lists. Part of the reason for the extra funds is due to conservation and changes plus cost savings over the year. AB109 client funds will be used to augment along with PSN funds.

The Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs is currently being disassembled and placed into pieces in different organizations. The Association is against this split. Realignment of Substance Abuse Services which is sales tax revenue is at projections and able to cover costs. We are looking at possibly adding new services or satellites by August, depending up realignment.

EPDST – we will be looking at the policy on how the funds are spent after the entitlement has been submitted. The Drug Medi-Cal rates are being set and we could be receiving an increase of 1% to 2%.

Mr. Taylor from Just4Kidz had questions regarding mental health services and dependency court. Mr. Koch asked Mr. Taylor to send him information regarding his questions on mental health services and dependency court and he will look into this for him. Mr. Conway asked if the ADAB could help with a support this issue by submitting a letter to the Dependency Court. Mr. Koch stated it couldn't hurt.

Substance Abuse Services budget has been submitted to the Board of Supervisors and it looks like an increase to our budget except for Drug Medi-Cal. We will highlight as it gets closer to the Budget Hearings. Our State Monitoring review was completed and they suggested that there is more we could be doing.

Board of Supervisors approved the contract with Turning Point for AB109 and services has been transitioned.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. The Chair

No communication

B. Executive Committee

No communications

C. Mental Health Board

No communication

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 am.