

**Fresno County Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board
Minutes
April 6, 2011**

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, Michael Roth

Members Absent

Brian Conway

Department of Behavioral Health

Dennis Koch, Maryann Le, Jim Irwin, Colleen Gregg, Kelley Juhrend,

Program Providers and Other Interested Parties

Linda Moore, SOW; Mike Alsup, Aegis; Darryl Smith, MHS, FCC; A.T. Jackson, Antioch; Rita Enuwua, Delta Care; Gary Knepper, Westcare; Darrell Hamilton, Westcare; Betty Jo Dickson, FCMHB; J.D. Garza, California Health Collaborative; Baolia Xiong, California Health Collaborative; Carolyn Golden, Panacea; Ken Moody, FNC; Loren French, FNC; Juanita Fiorello, CAP; Mary Jane Skellerjup, YLI; Victoria Baffo, Herndon Recovey Center; Cathe Keys, Herndon Recovery Center; Rolando Valero, California Health Collaborative

III. MINUTES

A. Approve Minutes from March 2011 Meeting

Ms. Miller asked for any additions/deletions to the Minutes as submitted. Being none, she then asked for a motion to approve. Mr. Taylor motioned to approve minutes and Mr. Roth seconded. All members approved.

IV. BOARD BUSINESS

A. Announcements/Correspondence

Chairperson Miller stated that there was correspondence sent to the Board. She then asked Mr. Roth to read into the minutes. The Young People for AA sent a thank you letter for the Board's support in their bid for the 2012 Annual Conference.

Unfortunately, they didn't get the conference bid but did get awarded the Mid-Year Conference.

V. SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES UPDATE

A. Support of Contract Awards

B. SAS Update

Governor's Budget – Governor is proposing to take all State General funded programs and moving into a funding stream that comes from taxation and vehicle license fees, then give to the Counties. The proposed ballot measure to extend current tax rates did not make it on to the June ballot. Without a June ballot measure, funding for next year's budget for Drug Medi-Cal will be placed in limbo. Currently working on a protection to our contracts that we do not incur a cost we are not going to get State funding for which will become a cost to our general fund. Ms. Miller asked the questions if Drug-Medi-Cal works similar as to what is in place for Mental Health. When it comes to realignment funds, Fresno County gets a disproportionate amount of funds due to larger counties lobbying. The concern is the DMC funds will be disproportionate as mental health funds and that the BOS has the right to take 10% to be placed into the General fund. Mr. Koch answered the second question that the BOS would not be able to take funding due to its designation for drug and alcohol service only. The answer to disproportionate funding, because of the way the bill is written currently, Fresno County would get a disproportionate share by holding county shares harmless. Mr. Roth then asked if he thinks a contingency would then be put into place. Mr. Koch stated if the State stays silent, on whether there would be 90 days transition, he can't see anything else which has been proposed to the CAO instead of direct contract termination.

Detox Services – will be moving forward and recommending a contract with CAP which should go to the Board of Supervisors in May. Hopefully by July 1st we will have a residential detoxification with a stabilization component, which means clients will be able to stay in for 2 weeks after detox. Also, before July 1, we will have sober living with an outpatient component. It will have a 16 beds for clients already in outpatient services. Westcare, King of Kings and Turning Point will be providing the services. In order to receive more beds and make clients more responsible, is the County will pay 100% for first month or two and then each month after that, the client would need to pay a portion. Also, clients who complete outpatient services can stay for an additional month.

Prevention RFP – it has been a slow process due to our staffing shortage and placing holds on hiring new staff. Contracts will be coming out for Board approval in May for renewals.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. The Chair**
No communications
- B. Executive Committee**
No communications
- C. Mental Health Board**

Ms. Miller gave an update that the Mental Health Board which has partnered with the Housing Authority to help develop housing for co-occurring clients. Four proposals were received for Selma, Trinity located on the Westside, Altamonte which was the old Apollo and Santa Clara. The Trinity and Apollo were not considered as good locations due to the high drug usage in those areas, the Board did consider the Santa Clara location appalling due to being located across from the Poverello. These locations are for permanent housing. The Mental Health Board did not support the project and sent letters to Board of Supervisors. The project was approved despite the objections from the Mental Health Board. Ms. Miller suggested to the treatment community to help support the Mental Health Board's disapproval of the approved project

VII. PRESENTATION

Darryl Smith from Mental Health System's Fresno Center for Change gave a presentation on their Drug Court Program.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Miller asked if there were any other suggestions future presentations to the Board. Mr. Koch thought that Kingsview DUI was scheduled for the May meeting, but an audience member suggested asking the Commissioner from Drug Court to do give a presentation on Drug Court.

Mr. Rolando Valero from the California Health Collaborative, expressed their appreciation for the support and participation at the Lock it Up Project Town Hall meetings that took place recently.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.