

**Fresno County Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board
Minutes
March 2, 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, Brian Conway, Michael Roth

Members Absent

None

Department of Behavioral Health

Dennis Koch, Maryann Le, Jim Irwin, Toni Hanson, Kelley Juhrend, David Miller

Program Providers and Other Interested Parties

Jennifer Koretoff, MHS; Rolando Valero, CHC; Herb Winnett, Turning Point – Quest House; Linda Moore, SOW; J.D. Garza, CHC; Baolia Xiong, CHC; Jeanette Sanchez, Panacea; Mary Jane Skellerup, YLI; Gary Knepper, Westcare; Dale White, CCR; Darryl Smith, MHS; Debbie Harkness, CCR; Larry Dyer, Turning Point; Domingo Zapata, Hispanic Commssion; A.T. Jackson, Antioch; Diane Johnson, Antioch; Terry Stewart Antioch; Dr. J.E. Jackson, Antioch; Juanita Fiorello, CAP

III. MINUTES

A. Approve Minutes from February 2010 Meeting

Ms. Miller asked for a motion to approve minutes as submitted. Mr. Taylor made the motion to approve, Mr. Conway seconded. All unanimously approved.

IV. BOARD BUSINESS

A. Announcements/Correspondence

Ms. Miller announced the passing of Ralph Ginoevese from Westcare and offer her condolences on behalf of the Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board to his family and friends from Westcare.

V. SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES UPDATE

A. Support of Contract Awards

Mr. Koch stated he is seeking support for contract awards for Sober Living services and Detox services. These were not Request for Proposals but were a Request for Application which means anyone who meets the criteria we would be able to contract with. Two providers responded for Detox services for 8 beds, which were CAP and Westcare. Westcare realized that it would be better for one agency to have all eight of the beds because it makes more programmatic sense to convert a section of a program and suggested that the award should go to CAP. He then asked the Board for their support of the award. Mr. Roth made a motion to grant support of the contract award for Detox services to CAP. Motion was seconded. All approved.

Mr. Koch then asked for support of the Sober Living contract. Four responded to the Request for Application, which were CAP, Westcare, Turning Point and King of Kings, which is broken down by 8 beds for Westcare, 4 beds to Turning Point and 4 beds to King of Kings for a total 16 beds. Mr. Koch then asked the Board for their support. Ms. Miller then address the Board for a motion to support, Mr. Conway motioned to support and motion was seconded. All members approved. He also added that these beds are for clients who are currently in outpatient services and they must stay enrolled in outpatient services to continue.

B. SAS Update

Mr. Koch updated the Board on the State/County budget where the Governor is looking at realigning Alcohol and Drug Services funding which would come from Vehicle License Fees and sales tax. Currently, there are no reductions to services.

We will be amending the current prevention services contracts and increasing their funding levels due to unspent prevention funds. Mr. Conway asked if there were any formula used to determine how much each provider would receive. Mr. Koch stated that the prevention plan identified the areas of focus and we currently have 3 prevention providers with an additional RFP going out for marijuana use, but current providers are underage drinking, prescription drug abuse, targeting youth who are non-traditional. We are also looking into contracting with a Prevention evaluator since there isn't any outcome measurement that can be based. Evaluation has been based how well they are up and running, and how mature is their program to receive additional funds. Mr Conway then asked will the marijuana provider start at the same level or will it be bumped up automatically. Mr. Koch responded that everyone starts at the same level.

Mr. Koch stated that we will be looking at unspent treatment dollars and shifting them into Perinatal services so we can get pregnant women off the wait list and into treatment.

Mr. Koch updated the Board on the Mental Health First Aid flyer that was given to them to let them know that Board members can participate in the training. Ms. Miller also advised the audience that the directors of treatment programs are eligible to attend as well.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

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

VII. PRESENTATION

Representatives from Alanon gave an update on the Hospital and Institution Conference scheduled for May 6-8, 2011.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Roth announced that the AA Young Peoples convention which will be held in San Francisco, CA for 2011 and the Fresno Chapter would like to petition to have the convention held in Fresno in 2012. He handed out a copy of the Letter of Support his agency did and asked if providers would be willing to help this group in their petition to have the conference held in Fresno next year. The deadline to submit letters is March 11, 2011. Ms. Miller asked for a motion for the Board to submit a letter on behalf of the Advisory Board to support this group's effort. Mr. Conway motioned to submit letter, Mr. Taylor seconded. All members approved.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.