

Contra Costa County Mental Health Commission
Thursday, April 27, 2006, 4:30-6:30 p.m.
Concord Police Department Community Room, 1350 Galindo Street, Concord

The Mental Health Commission will provide reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities planning to participate in Commission meetings who contact Executive Assistant Karen Shuler at least 48 hrs. prior to the meeting at 925-957-5149.

AGENDA

1. 4:30 Call to Order/Introductions
2. 4:35 Public Comment. The public may comment on any item of public interest within the jurisdiction of the Mental Health Commission. In the interest of time and equal opportunity, speakers are requested to observe a 3-minute time limit (subject to change at the discretion of the Chairperson). In accordance with the Brown Act, if a member of the public addresses an item not on the posted agenda, no response, discussion, or action on the item may occur. Time will be provided for Public Comment on items on the posted Agenda as they occur during the meeting.
3. 4:40 Announcements
4. 4:45 Approval of the Minutes from March 23, 2005.
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.
5. 4:50 Chairperson's Report – Bobbie J. Arnold
 - Committee Choices for the Mental Health Commission's Annual Awards.
 - Additional nominations.
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.
 - Nominations for Annual "Spirit of Caring Award"
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.
6. 5:00 Mental Health Director's Report – Donna Wigand
 - Update on the Implementation of the Mental Health Services Act
 - Report on the County Budget Hearings
7. 5:30 Suggestions for advocacy efforts by the due to the budget cuts.
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.
8. 5:45 Committee Reports
Older Adults Committee
 - In order to accommodate Dr. Jeff Smith's schedule, the Older Adult Committee will hold their May meeting on Thursday, May 4 at 2:00

p.m. The entire Agenda will be devoted to his report on how the frail elderly are doing in the Psychiatric Inpatient Unit since the closing of the Geriatric Psychiatric Inpatient Unit.

Organizational Development Committee

- Status of vacancies: 1 Member-at-Large position in District I.
- District II Family Member Commissioner Bob Torres has announced he will not be seeking reappointment. A vacancy will be declared as of June 30, 2006.
- Requests for reappointment have been submitted to Supervisor DeSaulnier on behalf of Dave Kahler, Supervisor Piepho on behalf of Judy McCahon, Supervisor Uilkema on behalf of Cynthia Miller, and Supervisor Gioia on behalf of Bettye Randle.

Adult & Transitional Age Youth Committee

- Report on site visit to Los Medanos Adult Mental Health Clinic.

Children's Committee

Justice System Committee

- Richmond Jail facility site visit has been postponed.

9. 6:15 Ancillary Committees/Boards/Commissions Reports
- Contractor's Alliance – Marianna Moore
 - California Institute for Mental Health (CIMH)
 - Mental Health Boards/Commissions Regional Training—
Bobbie Arnold
 - California Mental Health Boards/Commissions (CALMHB/C)
 - California Mental Health Planning Council – Bettye Randle
 - California Mental Health Advocates for Children and Youth (CMHACY)—Kathi McLaughlin
 - Mental Health Coalition
10. 6:30 Adjournment