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California Association of Mental Health Patients' Rights Advocates

**Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 27, 2019
Time: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Via Conference Call**

I. Call to Order

a. Introductions and Roll Call

	Member/Title	County
	Jill Ward / President	Shasta
	Joshua Bryant / Vice President	Sacramento
	Annette Tran/Treasurer	Orange
	Melody Beltz / Secretary	Humboldt
	Gloria Hernandez / Central Valley	Fresno
	Megan Wheelehan / BAYPAC	Santa Clara
	Wendy Cheula / Far North	Siskiyou
	Martin Hernandez / South	Los Angeles
	Jean McDonald / At Large	San Diego
	Ann Venegas / At Large	Riverside
	Merida Saracho / At Large	San Bernadino

II. Housekeeping

- a. Roll Call – Quorum – met only for three items; The Steve Musick Award recipients, the Treasurer's Report and the January 9, 2019 minutes.
- b. Treasurer's Report: Current balance is \$10,041.73. Annette will file tax forms RRF-1 and 9-90 after PRAT. There have been no new donations. Annette will solidify the membership roster and send to Melody in order for her to update emails on Google Groups. Gloria moves to approve the Treasurer's report the motion is seconded by Merida, no further discussion, the motion is approved.
- c. Approval of Minutes There were no changes or corrections to the January 9, 2019 minutes. Gloria moves to approve the minutes from January 9, 2019 the motion is seconded by Merida, matter is opened for discussion, no further discussion, the motion is approved.

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III. Statewide Business

- a. PRA Legislation Update/Discussion

Tabled.

- b. AB 2317

Tabled.

- c. SB 66

Tabled.

- d. SB 10

Tabled.

IV. PRAT 2019/CAMHPRA Luncheon

- a. Finalize Luncheon Plans

Annette needs a response from Susan Eggman's office regarding her attendance and if she is bringing a guest. Annette and her staff are making the certificates. Gloria and Ann agree to assist Annette and Jennifer with decorations Wednesday evening.

Tehama County PRAT attendees sent a message that their county will not pay for the luncheon. Board agrees to offer them a 50% discount, Annette will reach out to them and invite them at the reduced rate. This is CAMHPRA's only fundraiser, we have 54 individuals signed up, last year there were around 72-74 individuals.

- b. Who are the awardees and who will introduce them at the luncheon?

Jill reports that two PRAs were nominated for the Steve Musick award as a team. This is the only award in which the recipient received \$100. The Board discussed postponing the award to splitting the money between the two. Board members unanimously voted to give the award this year and split the \$100 between the two team members. Gloria made the motion to give each recipient \$50, seconded by Merida, all in favor, motion carries.

Jim Raphael will introduce and present:

- Advocate of the Year
- MHAS: Legal Services Attorney/Advocate of the Year Award (renamed Jim Preis Award)
- Jim Preis: Lifetime Achievement Award
- Guest Speaker: Colette Hughes

Sam Jain will introduce and present:

- Susan Eggman, Legislator of the year.
- President's Award – Daphne Shaw

It was suggested that we give Colette Hughes a certificate for her work. This motion will be voted on via email.

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It was suggested that we provide snacks during the screening of 55 Steps. This motion will be voted on via email.

c. CAMHPRA Table Sign-Up

Annette will bring all supplies for the table. She has ordered Post-It Notes for a give-away and also will have some Mind Matters give-aways from her county. Jill says she will work the first shift Wednesday 4/3 from 10 a.m.– 12 p.m. No other volunteers at this time. The sign-up will be at the table itself so Board members can sign-up during PRAT as their schedule allows.

V. Coalition Reports

a. Far North: Wendy Cheula (Siskiyou)

Shasta County hosted the two Tehama County PRAs to job shadow. Trinity County advertised for a PRA but will not hire until after PRAT. Plumas County has a new PRA, Elizabeth McCallister. Melody Mitchell is no longer the PRA for Del Norte County. Lisa Long reported North Valley Behavioral Health took over Placer pof and it is not called, Kirby Hills Behavioral Health, since this change patient complaints have diminished. Placer County opened walk-in mh assessment clinic decreased wait time, NP access two days a week. Suicidal client committed suicide by cop in front of residential facility he was staying, traumatic event for clients and staff, new 5150 form adopted and training to law enforcement. Lassen county working on housing programs night time drop-off for patients in danger of being 5150'd. Housing projects needed in Siskiyou, currently have Nov. – Mar warming shelter only. Applied for housing grants to be used for temp housing.

b. BayPac: Megan Wheelehan (Santa Clara)

No updates. Megan will be asking Melanie Roland to take over BayPac.

c. Central: Gloria Hernandez (Fresno County)

No updates.

d. South: Mike Phillips (San Diego) –

No updates.

VI. Reports from Meetings/Other Advocacy Organizations

a. California Coalition for Mental Health (CCMH): No update at this time.

b. California Office of Patients' Rights (COPR): No update at this time.

c. Mental Health Advocacy Services (MHAS): No update at this time.

d. California Association of Mental Health Peer Run Organizations (CAMPRO): No updates at this time.

e. California Behavioral Health Planning Council (CBHPC): No updates at this time.

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VII. Public Policy

- a. Other legislation: No updates.

Jill was asked what the purpose of this category on the agenda. She explains that county employees are prohibited from lobbying. Information about lobbying efforts by non-county employees is presented here.

VIII. New Business and Next Meeting; Adjourn

- a. Replace outgoing Treasurer: Merida has a staff person that may be interested and will ask. Megan will ask her staff.
- b. Megan Wheelehan and Melanie Roland will replace Samuel Jain.
- c. Melody Beltz will take over website and listserve maintenance and will ask Samuel Jain about the Facebook page.
- d. CAMHPRA Associate Membership. We will follow the by-laws regarding associate membership.
- e. Next meeting: Either June 19th or 26th, this motion will be voted on by email.

IX. Email Voting Results

- a. All email votes received voted "Yes" to all items. Four people voted for our next meeting to be June 26th, 2 people voted for either date and three people did not specify their preference.