



**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
GOVERNING BOARD
APRIL 15, 2015, 2015 – 4:45 P.M.**

The Governing Board met in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, April 15, 2015 at 4:48 p.m. in the Administrative Office, 1717 N. Indian Hill, Suite B, Claremont, California.

CALL TO ORDER Chair Lantz called the meeting to order at 4:48 p.m.

ROLL CALL A visual roll call was taken.

PRESENT: Paula Lantz, City of Pomona, Chair
Chuck Leeb, Ph.D., City of Claremont, Vice-Chair
Robin Carder, City of La Verne, Board Member
Carolyn Cockrell, City of La Verne, Board Member
Joseph M. Lyons, MA, Ph.D., City of Claremont, Board Member
Edina Martinez, Psy.D., City of Pomona, Board Member

ABSENT: John Nolte, City of Pomona, Board Member

STAFF: Toni Navarro, Executive Director
Darold Pieper, General Counsel
Margaret Harris, Chief Financial Officer
Nancy Gill, Chief Operations Officer
Elizabeth Owens, Director of Clinical Program Services
David R. Block, MD, FAPA, Medical Director
Diana Acosta, Controller
Donald Pruyn, Housing Project Manager
Dana Stein, MHSA Projects Coordinator
Mica Olmos, Executive Assistant

CONSENT CALENDAR

There being no comments, Vice-Chair Leeb moved, and Board Member Lyons seconded, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion was carried by the following vote: AYES: Board Members Carder, Cockrell, Lyons, and Martinez; Vice-Chair Leeb; and Chair Lantz. NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Board Member Nolte.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE MARCH 18, 2015 GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Recommendation: "A motion to approve the Minutes of the March 18, 2015 Meeting."

2. APPROVAL OF THE DONATION / DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS FURNITURE / EQUIPMENT

Recommendation: “To approve the donation and/or disposal of surplus furniture and equipment.”

3. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 399 ADOPTING CLASS SPECIFICATION AND SALARY RANGE FOR THE POSITION OF CRISIS INTERVENTION AND MEDICATION SUPPORT MANAGER

Recommendation: “To adopt Resolution No. 399 establishing the position of Crisis Intervention and Medication Support Manager to the listing of Classifications of General Service Employees.”

4. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 400 ADOPTING REVISED PERSONNEL RULES AND REGULATIONS MANUAL

Recommendation: “To adopt Resolution No. 400 approving amendments to the Personnel Rules and Regulations Manual.”

MONTHLY STAFF REPORTS

5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Executive Director Navarro announced that La Verne Council Member Robin Carder will continue to serve as a Board Member to Tri-City Mental Health Center; and that Tri-City was nominated as outstanding Community Partner by Marisol Morales, Director of Community Engagements of the University of La Verne, to receive a University Spirit of La Verne Award and Tri-City had won, noting that the Award Ceremony will take place on Tuesday, April 28th at the Church of the Brethren.

Board Member Carder indicated that everyone will enjoy the casual atmosphere of the Award Ceremony.

Housing Project Manager Pruyn reported that the Cedars Springs Project and the West Holt Project are both under construction and within schedule; that the East Holt Family Apartments by Clifford Beers had not heard yet if they will be awarded the Tax Credit Funding; and that the Claremont site search continues, noting that staff is also receiving help from two realtors.

Chair Lantz talked about a property for sale in the City of Claremont; however, it was cost prohibitive.

Discussion ensued regarding different properties that staff had visited in the City of Claremont; however, they were not feasible.

Housing Project Manager Pruyn then stated that staff was researching the process to withdraw the residual funding from CalHFA to increase Tri-City’s housing funding.

Chief Financial Officer Harris added that the process to have the money returned to Tri-City from CalHFA will require Tri-City to utilize the money within three years of the transfer; therefore, it is best to keep the money with CalHFA until there is a definitive plan for those funds and approval from the Governing Board.

Housing Project Manager Pruyn continued with his housing report and stated that the Church property acquisition did not materialize as the property owners wanted to re-negotiate regardless of having reached a verbal agreement, as well as their failure to provide requested information about the property; and that staff is researching another property located across the Clinic at 2001 N. Garey Avenue.

Executive Director Navarro talked about the feasibility that the building located at 2001 N. Garey Avenue in Pomona offers to Tri-City's services as well as meeting the needs of the agency.

Housing Manager Project Manager Pruyn then talked about the Clinic easement issue and indicated that the appraisal is underway and results should be received in four weeks; that staff meet with the engineer and architect regarding the vacant property adjacent to the clinic to coordinate a potential design for that site; and that a preliminary site plan for the therapeutic garden and parking lot will include 30 additional parking spaces which will meet the needs of the clinic, noting that it would be very helpful to acquire the 15' strip behind the lot and square off the clinic corner lot.

Executive Director Navarro stated that the Steinberg Institute for Health Policy Research released an MHSA outcomes report, which was a positive and definitive counterpoint to the Little Hoover Commission Report. She then reported that she attended the California Behavioral Health Directors meeting and learned that there is a new Director for the Mental Health Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHOAC) who has been meeting with LACDMH Director Robert Oakes; that Mr. Oakes believes that the new MHOAC Director understands the MHOAC role of being a partner and collaborator with the counties and not to direct them; that the MHOAC Director has agreed to review the PEI and Innovations Programs to determine if what the MHOAC says in theory matches with what the counties are doing; and that this was an important step because given the current restrictions, outcomes can result less than expected. She then reported that the Tri-City's Executive Team met with the LACDMH Executive Team at their headquarters in Los Angeles, noting it was a positive and collaborative meeting; that the LACDMH offered to train Tri-City staff on assessing and treating children 0-5 years; that this highlighted for them the large 0-5 year population they serve in the larger county, many are specialized foster care; that the LACDMH were very confused about Tri-City only receiving on an average one to two referrals of the 0-5 years population for its services; and that she was able to indicate that Tri-City serves a different demographic which does not service specialized foster care. Lastly, she indicated that the Medicaid Waiver at the federal level is being renewed on July 1, 2016, and as a result Tri-City staff is working with the Los Angeles County to implement changes, such as at the inquiry and intake level, noting that anyone who has Medical and is requesting Tri-City services, staff has to do an intake within 15 days and there will be no more screening taking place at the County level since it will be at the managed care plan level. She then introduced Shawn Smith, Tri-City's new Crisis Intervention and Medication Support Manager.

6. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER REPORT

There was no comment.

7. CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER REPORT

There was no comment.

8. DIRECTOR OF CLINICAL PROGRAM SERVICES REPORT

Vice-Chair Leeb referred to the proposed staff training by the LACDMH of 0-5 year old assessment, and inquired if it has any connection or attachment to an organization regarding teaching how to increase the neurophysiological development that the kids will be acquiring. Director of Clinical Program Services Owens stated that she believed it does, noting that staff does not yet have a lot of information as staff was recently informed about the training.

Chair Lantz inquired if the 0-5 years training is strictly for foster care children. Executive Director Navarro replied that it is for all children ages 0-5; however, most of the County referrals are for foster care children who are exhibiting deficits, delays, or problem behavior and noted that Tri-City at most, sees only a couple of these client referrals on a monthly basis.

Vice-Chair Leeb expressed concern about the ability of affective regulation being taught or addressed appropriately and inquired if staff can share the curriculum when received. Director of Clinical Program Services Owens replied in the affirmative.

9. MEDICAL DIRECTOR REPORT

There was no comment.

10. MANAGER OF BEST PRACTICES REPORT

There was no comment.

11. MHSA MANAGER REPORT

Board Member Martinez stated that the Green Ribbon Week was very successful and that staff did a great job.

Chair Lantz stated that she was impressed and encouraged with the various communities and churches that participated in the Green Ribbon Week activities.

There being no further comments, Board Member Lyons moved, and Board Member Martinez seconded, to receive and file the month of April staff reports. The motion was carried by the following vote: AYES: Board Members Carder, Cockrell, Lyons, and Martinez; Vice-Chair Leeb; and Chair Lantz. NOES: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: Board Member Nolte.

GOVERNING BOARD COMMENTS

There was no comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

MHSA Projects Coordinator Stein reminded everyone that the annual MHSA Public Hearing will be taking place within 30 days; distributed personalized invitations of the event; stated that the flyer event was also available in Spanish Language; indicated that staff was conducting extensive outreach for community participation at the public hearing; and announced that the MHSA Annual Update document will be posted on Friday for a 30-day public review.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:15 p.m., on consensus of the Governing Board its Regular Meeting of April 15, 2015 was adjourned. The Governing Board of Tri-City Mental Health Center will meet next in a Joint Meeting with the Mental Health Commission to be held on **Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at 4:45 p.m.** in the Clinical Building, 2008 N. Garey Avenue in Pomona, California.

The next Regular Meeting of the Governing Board will be held on **Wednesday, June 17, 2015 at 4:45 p.m.** in the Administration Building, 1717 North Indian Hill Boulevard #B, Claremont, California.



Micaela P. Olmos, Executive Assistant