



**CLIENT AND FAMILY LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES • AUGUST 18, 2016**

TIME and LOCATION: CFLC assembled at 9:36am, in the MHSOAC Steinberg Conference Room and via teleconference.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Khatera Aslami-Tamplen (Chair), Yvette McShan, Emily Wu Truong, Andrea Crooks (via teleconference), Gerald White (via teleconference), Darlene Prettyman (via teleconference), Vickie Mendoza (via teleconference)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Tina Wooton (Vice-Chair), Ivan Anderson, Carmen Diaz, Shannon Jaccard, Ralph Nelson, Pamela Roach, Sandra Villano

MHSOAC Staff: Dr. Brian Sala (Deputy Director), Kim Johnson, Greg Tate, Mia DeSoto

ATTACHMENTS: August 18, 2016 Agenda, Committee Roll

WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS:

Chair Aslami-Tamplen welcomed all in attendance and roll call was taken. Minimum Quorum Not Met.

Review Agenda:

Chair reviewed Agenda items.

REVIEW OF BAGLEY-KEENE OPEN MEETING ACT REQUIREMENTS:

Item was shelved for next meeting due to a scheduling conflict.

REVIEW AND APPROVE JUNE 9, 2016, MEETING MINUTES:

Chair Aslami-Tamplen commented that she did not feel the minutes reflected the discussion in the last meeting in regards to the CFLC being an in-person meeting, in addition to teleconference. The Chair stated that lack of knowledge about the Bagley-Keene Act created confusion for Committee members about how to be counted as part of the quorum for their participation in the meetings. This prevented minutes from being approved. Members of the Committee felt confused because the email they received from staff about the meeting being held as a teleconference was unclear. Staff emphasized that all committee meetings would be advertised as teleconferences by default to encourage participation by those unable to travel to Sacramento, but that in-person participation was still permitted.

Dr. Sala clarified that according to the Bagley-Keene Act if a member would like to participate by phone he/she must provide a public location more than 10 days in advance of the meeting in order for that location to be included in the posted agenda. Bagley-Keene requires public notice of member participation at remote locations to encourage public attendance. Dr. Sala also stated “we do want participation and respect your time and recognize, for many individuals, travel to Sacramento is challenging for such a short meeting.” Members who want to come to Sacramento for a meeting can do so but we want to respect the resources.

Ms. Prettyman asked if she attended the meeting via teleconference from Texas and did not provide an address does that mean she would not be able to vote. Staff clarified that committee members must participate from a publicly-noticed location on the posted agenda in order to cast votes as committee members or be included as part of a quorum.

Dr. Sala stated he was committed to providing members with more detailed minutes that tell the stories of the meetings without a verbatim record of committee deliberations.

No Vote taken on the meeting minutes from June 9, 2016:

Minimum Quorum Not Established.

Criminal Justice and Mental Health Community Forum Discussion:

Dr. Sala noted his expectation is for meeting minutes to be available at least 10 days before the meeting and that staff will email a copy of the draft to the Committee members. He also stated that the events upcoming are the Criminal Justice and Mental Health (CJ & MH) subcommittee. There will be a public engagement meeting in Los Angeles on September 22, the day before the Commission meeting. The subcommittee will also be visiting Twin Towers Correctional Facility. The OAC is in the early planning stages for having a community forum in Stanislaus County sometime in November 2016. More information will be available soon. This meeting is set to focus on how Stanislaus County is dealing with Criminal Justice and Mental Health issues, and will focus on related topics to veterans and Latinos in the community.

Ms. Yvette McShan made a statement about the lack of involvement of the African-American community, stating that she is volunteering for the November meeting in order to increase the under-represented African-American involvement.

The CFLC Members shared that Crisis Intervention Training is very important, not only in California but nationwide. The Committee noted that the CJ & MH subcommittee sounded fairly new and asked how the subcommittee was formed. Dr. Sala stated that the subcommittee is new and that the Commission decided the subcommittee members and is backed by OAC Staff Project Manager, Ashley Mills. The subcommittee is to engage the public and invite experts and public participation in order to move the project forward.

The Chair asked for volunteers for the CJ & MH project. Two were identified. Yvette McShan volunteered. Darlene Prettyman proposed Ralph Nelson (not present). Ms. Vanetta Johnson, a guest, made a public comment and stated she enjoyed the topics

being discussed at today's meeting and would like more information about the November Community Forum.

Dr. Sala noted that if any Committee member or guest has something they would like to offer any subcommittee or project, to please follow up with an email to him so he can connect them to the proper individuals. The next major priority project is the Mental Health and Schools project. There is a subcommittee for this project but no current timeline has been created. The Chair noted this can be added on the next agenda.

UPDATE ON MHSOAC ISSUE RESOLUTION PROCESS PROJECT (IRP):

The Committee held discussions on the Issue Resolution Process, stating the last meeting was great, there were a ton of discussions on how people solve their issues at different places and what best practices are being used as well. Dr. Sala shared the 3 main keys and 4 key themes of the IRP: Best practices in dispute resolution, outreach, and data capture, and organizational. Best practices in transparency and how to respond to the challenges we observe as a committee. The Commission understands that each county is different and there is not a one-size fits all type of solution.

CFLC 2016 CHARTER AND WORK PLAN REVIEW:

The CFLC approved its charter last month. The Chair noted that if there are no further charter discussions that needed to be had, it is time to begin accomplishing what this Committee has agreed to do. The CFLC should want to and actively participate in all MHSOAC projects, as well as help to develop strategies and produce work standards for the Mental Health Boards. On the same accord, Dr. Sala stated that part-time OAC staff member Katherine Elliott has begun work on strategic process for ethnic and racial policies.

FUTURE MEETING DATES AND REVIEW ACTION ITEMS:

Members discussed hosting a joint meeting with CFLC and CLCC, including identifying a meeting location and meeting length and agenda. Staff member mentioned that all conference call locations must be handicapped accessible, and that the point of hosting locations via conference call is so that members of the committee can associate more with community participants. The Chair mentioned that public engagement is indeed important.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Conversation of travel and conference call meetings continued from the main meeting.

Member of the public asked if the MHSOAC has authority to demand best practices from the mental health boards in the counties, stating that no one wants to take the lead or accept responsibility and it is not clear who has what authorization.

Member of the public voiced an opinion of IRP, stating that no effective IRP currently exists and this will be a process.

Another note during general statements was to congratulate Sally Zinman for her recognition and national award from the SAMHSA.

Finally the topic of racism, was addressed to the committee, sentiments on the difficulties of racism and the need for it to be addressed in the CJ & MH forum even if it makes for an uncomfortable conversation.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

The Chair closed out the meeting by thanking all in-person and teleconference participants. The next meeting will be held on October 13, 2016, and may be a joint meeting with the CLCC, information to follow soon.