



MEETING MINUTES

MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

Thursday, July 12, 2018 7:00 PM

Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center, 2100 Ridge Avenue, room 2402

Members Present: J. Sales, M. Pierce, K. Ruetzel, I. Ziaya, J. Haines, G. Hall, S. Johnson

Members Absent: B. Feiler

Staff: S. Flax, J. Wingader

Presiding Member: J. Sales, Board Chair

Call to Order / Declaration of Quorum

Chair Sales declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.

Approval of MHB Minutes: June 14, 2018

Ms. Johnson moved approval seconded by Ms. Haines; a voice vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.

Public Comment

No public comment.

Liaison Report

Ms. Johnson reported for Trilogy, Inc. and Connections for the Homeless. Ms. Sales reported for North Shore Senior Center and Center for Independent Futures. Ms. Ziaya reported for Infant Welfare Society and Mr. Pierce reported for the James B. Moran Center for Youth Advocacy.

Communication to City

Members requested more information about communication channels within the City and more information about any advocacy roles the board could assume. Mr. Hall summarized potential advocacy activities discussed in previous meetings and suggested additional things the board could do for and within the community. Members discussed ways to educate the community, the work of other agencies advocating on behalf of mental health services and the ways those agencies pursue funding. It was agreed that members would need more clarification from staff and City approval before any action was taken.

Members further discussed ways to contribute additional information; Ms. Ruetzel agreed to research agencies that advocated for mental health services. Ms. Sales suggested consolidating member ideas in a document; Ms. Haines and Mr. Hall agreed to form a working group to document ideas and present to City staff at the August meeting.

Staff Report

Staff provided upcoming meeting dates through December. Members asked that the September 15 meeting be rescheduled to September 22.

Chair Report

Chair Sales reviewed the liaison report schedule and summarized updated priority-based budget information provided on City website. She also requested that ZoomGrants scoring questions for the 2019 application be provided at the next meeting for member review.

Adjournment

Ms. Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Ziaya. The meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Wingader
Grants and Compliance Specialist