

BHS Older Adult Council
MEETING NOTES

Wednesday, January 20, 2016
1:00-3:00 p.m., BHS – La Jolla Room



Meeting Lead: Maureen Piwowarski

ITEM	SUMMARY
1. Welcome-Maureen Piwowarski	Maureen welcomed all to this month’s meeting and asked members to introduce themselves.
2. Public Comment	None.
3. Review and approval of Minutes- Virginia West	Minutes for the December OAC Retreat Meeting were approved.
4. Chair’s Report- Maureen Piwowarski	The Chair distributed an article that demonstrated the link between poverty, housing and health.
5. Behavioral Health Director’s Report/Updates-Alfredo Aguirre	(Did not attend.)
6. Older Adult SOC Update-Piedad Garcia	(Did not attend.) Virginia commented that the Mental Health Contractor’s Association meeting conflicts with the OAC meeting and that there are also pressing mid-year budget changes underway for consideration.
7. MHSA Report -Gary Ulmer-Goodrich	Gary remarked that the 2-page Executive Summary of the 13 Community Forums distributed at the December Retreat was the “Tier 1” summary. A “Tier 2” compilation will reveal /address the top 5 recommendations for each dot point in the Executive Summary document. These are pulled from about 3500 comments from the forums. They are hoping to have this available by 02/02/2016.
8. “UPAC/Eastwind Clubhouse” May Vang, Program Director and Dixie Galapon, MH Director	May Vang and Dixie Galapon provided a handout about the background of the Eastwind Clubhouse which was developed for and with Vietnamese, Cambodian and Laotian refugees in 1985. The Clubhouse provides vocational, educational and social support through member participation, belonging and contribution. The Clubhouse currently serves many of the above ethnicities as well as Filipinos, Chinese and Hmong. The Clubhouse operates in two sites- in Mid-city and in Serra Mesa.
9. Housing Council Update-Ruth Covell	Ruth reported that a State politician named deLeon has proposed a \$2 billion statewide bill to build housing for mentally ill people living in the streets with funding to come at least somewhat from MHSA.

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10. QI Update	<p>Dasha announced that the Sexual Orientation Field in the Behavioral Health Assessment has been updated to include “Questioning” and to align with MHSA guidelines. Martin commented that the definition boxes were helpful to clinicians.</p> <p>Dasha also shared that the External Quality Review was completed in early January. The EQRO reviews Access, Timeliness and Outcomes of our BH system and issues a report back to the County of our strengths and areas for improvement.</p>
11. Announcements/Public Comments	<p>Sandy Opsal announced that Recovery Innovations has a new name: “Recovery Innovations International”.</p> <p>BHETA announced that the Advanced Geriatric Training has been pushed back to July. The Curriculum Committee is meeting to strengthen the Dementia component of the training.</p>

Meeting Notes prepared by: Virginia West

**NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR
Wednesday, February 17, 2016
BHS – LA JOLLA ROOM- 1:00-3:00pm**