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**Minutes - NAMI San Joaquin County
Board Meeting**

Thursday, April 17^h, 2014, 6 P.M.

SJCMH, 1212 N. California St. Room B, Stockton, CA 95202

Call to Order: 6:00 pm

Roll Call: William Smith, Tasso Kandris, Gertie Kandris, Elizabeth Hess, James Jones, Jennie Montoya, Irene Sherman, Ron Vandermoon, Raksmev Castleman

Absent: Rita Verde-Fellows, Pamela Swift

Guest: Nancy Smith, Dora Contreras, Mary Ellen Cranston-Bennett, Debbie Alter

Approval of Minutes: Jennie Montoya made a motion to approve the minutes after amendments. Raksmev Castleman seconded Motion passed.

Correspondence: Nancy Smith presented a picture of the IOOV trainees from the Modesto training. She needs identification of Tim Swank & Jennifer Sheppard in the picture. On May 13th there will be a screening and announcement of the winner of the "Directing Change" student inspiring video contest in Sacramento.

New Business

1. Update on Training in Modesto on Cultural Competence – Dora, Nancy

Raksmev will chair a 3 member Multicultural Committee to reinvent an actual action plan that will focus on the Southeast Asian community. Raksmev suggested presenting to the leaders of the Asian community and allowing them to create subcommittees. Three different Southeast Asian sects will receive copies of videos and possibly put them on TV for recycling. James Jones will also be on the committee. See Attachment for more information.

2. Discuss interest in applying for grant from United Way – Tasso

William Smith offered to make contact with United Way. It will be necessary to put together a proposal for use of the grant monies.

3. Define a 501 (c) 3 - Bill

Bill explained the liability for officers of a 501 (c) 3 and gave examples of lawsuits against officers of other 501 (c) 3's. He also explained that NAMI is a business and not a club and should be treated as such.

4. MaryEllen ref brochure Copyright - Tasso

MaryEllen was asked to explain what her copyright over the pamphlet covered. She explained that she spent a lot of hours designing the layout, fonts, pictures, etc. As an artist she has the right to copyright her work so that no one will produce a lesser quality pamphlet that might be confused as her work. Bill suggested that she should have made full disclosure at the time of design that she was copyrighting the pamphlet. MaryEllen gave NAMI permission to distribute already printed pamphlets. Liz Hess motioned that when the pamphlets are used up they find someone else to design a new one to satisfy all parties. Gertie seconded the motion.

5. Debbie Alter e-mail to Sheila Foster – Tasso

Tasso brought up the e-mail that was sent by Debbie Alter to Sheila Foster and cc'd to Tasso that had some negative statements about the board members. He told her that he had always supported her efforts in the past, was disappointed and would have a difficult time to support her in the future.

6. SJC NAMI presence at Los Positas College - Liz

Liz mentioned that Los Positas College was having a Brain Awareness Week and had invited NAMI SJC to have a table to represent NAMI at the event. Tickets were available for a lecture by Temple Grandin on Thursday evening during the Brain Awareness Week. Liz Hess and Nancy Smith accepted the tickets and made plans to represent NAMI at a table.

Reports:

A: Treasurer's report-Elizabeth Hess:

No news to report. Approval was given to deposit the \$1250.00 check from Ryan Lauchlund Memorial Fund.

B: Bills presented for payment- Reimbursement to Nancy for program expenses and office supplies.

C: Legislative Report – Gertie

Gertie reviewed the current status of SB 1054 and SB 833. See attachment for details

D: MH&SAB Report – Gertie

Gertie Kandris reported on the SJC Mental Health & Substance Abuse Board Meeting from April 16th. SJC BHS applied for and was awarded \$2.5 million funding. It will be used to expand the Mobile Crisis Support Team to include 3 more teams that will be placed in the Probation Department, the Human Services Department and Mary Graham Hall. The Capital Facilities will include a separate entrance and space at the PHF for children and a separate respite area. There will be one Nurse Station between PHF and the children's area with the building being extended into the courtyard. See attachment for more details

E: Other Committee Reports from any of the committees?

Old Business:

1) Speakers Report – May, June, July, Aug, Sept – Bill

May – Tai-L-Venuti from ALLSUP to discuss SSI & SSDI benefits

June – James Soo y RAS program manager from Recovery House will explain their program

July – Steve Moore will discuss Jail and mental illness Aug

– Michael Fields from the Wellness Center

Sept – Julie Kent CEO from Ryan Lauchland Memorial Fund

2) NAMI Basics using Ryan Lauchland Funds – Tasso & Bill.

Bill & Tasso met with Julie Kent from RLMF and she confirmed that the donated funds were to be used in any way necessary to implement the Basics program and that it was not designated as monies earmarked for Debbie Alter in particular

3) Mental Health Month of May update May is Mental Health Awareness Month

4/29/14-SJC Education Project Safety from 6:30pm-8:30pm (flyer was given to everyone) 5/3/14-

Annual NMAI Walk

5/6/14-Board of Supervisors

5/10/14- Mental Health Awareness at Bear Creek Community Church (flyer was given to everyone) 5/21/14-Mental Health Board meeting

4) Communications update – Rita

Absent

5) Update on Spanish Literature – Rosalva Absent

6) Pasta Lunch & Raffle Tickets – Bill & Jennie. Bill stated that tickets are printed, cut and mailed. Jennie reported that 3 rooms have been reserved from BHS and that the BHS Director, Vic Singh, will stagger employee lunch hours during the Pasta Lunch to accommodate participation by BHS employees. Irene Sherman agreed to take care of the decorations.

7) NAMI Walk – Bill & Liz

Total teams are 110. San Joaquin County Affiliate has 14 teams and \$4586.00 in confirmed donations. Irene Sherman's team "Highsteppers" are in the lead for dollar amount of donations with \$1450.00.

8) NAMI CA Trainings

Family to Family & Familia a Familia Teacher Training = May 30 to Jun 1st, 2014, Elk Grove
Liz Hess will attend

Peer to Peer = May 16-18, 2014, Sacramento
Michael Fields has someone that will attend

In Our Own Voice Train the Trainer = Mar 28-30, 2014, Sacramento

9) Educational Programs Report for 2014

A: Family to Family & Familia a Familia (volunteer – no contract) 16 to attend F2F. F2F (sp) will start in August

B: In Our Own Voice – En Nuestra Proipia Voz (SJCBS contract – stipends) There will be 3 in May at Dignity Health/St. Joe's

C: Peer to Peer – Persona a Persona (SJCBS contract – stipends)
This class will be starting on 4/5/2014, Wendy will be teaching the class

D: Basics Classes
First class has started and 2nd class is already full.

E: Provider Education Course (SJCBS contract)
Nancy will be teaching the 3rd Class

F: NAMI CalMHSAs Programs
(Parents & Teachers as Allies **(PTA)** – Ending the Silence **(ETS)** – **(IOOV)** {verbal agreement w/NAMI Stanislaus})
May 20th for PTAA presentation. See attachment for information on ETS. Gertie stated that they have started presenting to Middle Schools in addition to High Schools.

4) Support Groups Report:

A: English Family Support Groups = Lodi (7) Manteca, Stockton (9) Tracy (4)

B: Spanish Family Support Group = Stockton (5)

C: Connections Support Groups = Stockton (7) Tracy (no report) Wendy
has agreed to train classes

Adjourn: 8:00pm

Next NAMI SJC Board Meeting: Thursday, May 15th, 2014, 6 P.M.
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Submitted by Elizabeth Hess, Treasurer NAMI San Joaquin County