

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD
YOUTH & FAMILY COMMITTEE
MINUTES ■ Wednesday, May 14, 2014

<p>Present Denise Nielsen, Chair Detra Young, Aspiranet Jody Kussin, Casa Pacifica Erick Elhard, Casa Pacifica Lisa Connolly, CFS Raul Maldonado, Probation Fran Arner-Costello, SELPA Aurora Becerra, LSSVC</p>	<p>VCBH Managers/Staff Present Susan Kelly, Youth & Family Division Manager Ramila Sloane, Family Liaison Pam Roach, Transformational Liaison Edith Pham, Recording Secretary</p> <p>NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, June 11, 2014, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 pm</p> <p>Ventura County Behavioral Health 1911 Williams Dr., Suite 200, Oxnard</p>
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Note: The committee has not yet approved these minutes. There may be additions/deletions or corrections before the minutes are accepted in final form.

	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSIONS	RECOMMENDATIONS/ ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE
I.	Call to Order The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:10.		
II.	Approval of the Agenda The Chair asked the Committee to review and approve today's agenda.	The agenda was approved as written. M/S/C	
III.	Approval of the Minutes The Chair asked the committee to review and approve the minutes of the April 9 meeting.	The minutes were approved as written. M/S/C	
IV.	Welcome and Introductions The Chair welcomed everyone and asked for introductions. One guest: Aurora Becerra of Legal & Secretarial Services of Ventura County (LSSVC); 444-0318.		
V.	Chair Announcements Chair Nielsen stated that she presented to Dr. Landon's medical staff about the safety program. She also spoke at the Parents Helping Parents training on 5/10.		
VI.	Public Comments None.		
VII.	New Business Casa Pacifica – Josh Lepore Josh Lepore presented on Casa Pacifica's CITY Program (Coaching Independence in Transitional Youth). It provides services to youth 16 to 25 years old, focusing on employment, educational/vocational, involvement in the community, stabilization in living situation, and personal effectiveness. CIRT collaborates with CITY for youth under 21 years old. The Transitional Housing Program Plus Foster Care (THP+FC) program is for youth ages 18 to 21 who are in extended foster care (AB12).		
VIII.	Old Business A. Packets to local doctors – Chair Nielsen The packets are being worked on. The sheet on early signs of mental illness still needs work.		

	<p>B. Katie A update – Susan Kelly All children and youth entering the Children Family Services (CFS) system are now screened by VCBH clinicians for possible services. VCBH has received approval for nine new positions in FosSTAR. Intensive Home-Based Services (IHBS) is getting ready to start at Casa Pacifica.</p> <p>C. Suicide Prevention workgroup – Jody Kussin The workgroup will meet in two weeks. Members wants to gather information on who is training whom in the county and determine possible gaps. Jody Kussin attended the American Suicidology conference; it appears that only four groups in the US do what Casa Pacifica does: CIRT, crisis line and follow-up. In connection with September Is Suicide Awareness Month, CIRT will participate in the Walk Out of Darkness event.</p> <p>D. Parent workgroup Chair Nielsen stated that the parent leadership training is well attended.</p>		
IX.	<p>Committee Members’ Comments, Activities, updates, items of interest</p> <p>A. Josh Lepore stated that on November 1st CITY will hold a Road to Independence event. There will be many booths to help the youth understand the practical steps to their independence.</p> <p>B. Committee members had a discussion about funding under a newly approved grant which addresses the crisis and stabilization needs within our community. They feel that nationwide and statewide this funding is primarily used in the Adult system. Marika Collins suggested that Linda Parks be approached about this. Susan Kelly encouraged the group to have an internal discussion first and possibly work as an advocate to have funds available for youth as well.</p> <p>C. Ramila Sloane stated that United Parents no longer has a contract to have 1:1 with youth under age 18 who are admitted to the Inpatient Unit (IPU). The group agreed that it would be helpful to have some beds at Vista del Mar reserved for inpatient youth.</p> <p>D. Pam Roach distributed the full-size safety cards, printed in color on cardstock. The business card version was reviewed; changes were requested and agreed upon.</p> <p>E. Marika Collins stated that Casa Pacifica will host the producer/director of the movie Valentine Road on May 20 at 10:00 a.m. at Cal Lutheran.</p>		
X.	<p>Items for the Next Meeting Agenda</p> <p>Jill Borgenson of Casa Pacifica will be asked to present on Family Finding.</p>		
XI.	<p>Adjourn</p> <p>The meeting adjourned at 11:45.</p>		