

**CONTRA COSTA COUNTY ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

Wednesday, December 2, 2015

**Alcohol and Other Drugs Services Administration Conference Room
1220 Morello Avenue, 2nd Floor
Martinez, CA 94553**

Members Present: Tom Aswad, Guita Bahramipour, Shirley Cheney, Jill Chioino, Antwon Cloird, Robin Houdashell, Hayden Padgett (arrived late), James Ryan, Catherine Taughinbaugh

Members Absent: Shirley Cheney (E), Jerry Lasky (E), Brianna Robinson (E), Katherine Webster (U)

Staff Present: Fatima Matal Sol, AOD Program Chief

Member Liaisons: Sam Yoshioka - Mental Health Commission

TOPIC	ISSUE/CONCLUSION	ACTION/ RECOMMENDATION
I. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>	James Ryan called the meeting to order at 4:00pm	MEMBERS AND GUESTS INTRODUCED THEMSELVES.
II. <u>ADOPT THE AGENDA</u>	James Ryan opened the floor to adopt the agenda.	TOM ASWAD MMS BY ANTWON CLOIRD TO ADOPT THE AGENDA AS RECOMMENDED. APPROVED, ONE ABSTENTION <u>AYES:</u> Tom Aswad, Guita Bahramipour, Antwon Cloird, Robin Houdashell, James Ryan, Cathy Taughinbaugh <u>NOES:</u> None <u>ABSENT:</u> Shirley Cheney, Jerry Lasky, Hayden Padgett, Brianna Robinson, Katherine Webster <u>ABSTAIN:</u> Jill Chioino
III. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>	<p>Approval of the October 28, 2015 meeting minutes. There was no meeting in November 2015 due to the lack of an agenda. The minutes were approved with the following corrections:</p> <p>Page 2, paragraph 2, should read: "new program, Support4Education, to help people in recovery get their Substance Abuse Counselor certificates."</p> <p>On Page 1, it should reflect that Robin Houdashell was present – Not absent under the approval of the agenda and minutes.</p>	ANTWON CLOIRD MMS CATHY TAUGHINBAUGH TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 28, 2015 MINUTES WITH CORRECTIONS AS SUBMITTED. APPROVED, ONE ABSTENTION. <u>AYES:</u> Tom Aswad, Guita Bahramipour, Antwon Cloird, Robin Houdashell, James Ryan, Cathy Taughinbaugh <u>NOES:</u> None <u>ABSENT:</u> Shirley Cheney, Jerry Lasky, Hayden Padgett, Brianna Robinson, Katherine Webster <u>ABSTAIN:</u> Jill Chioino
IV. <u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u> The public and Board members may comment on any agenda item of public interest within the jurisdiction of the Alcohol and Other Drugs Advisory Board. (Maximum three minutes per speaker.)	Antwon Cloird stated that shootings and street violence have increased. He would like to know what types of resources are available to address crisis situation. He expressed concern about this situation indicating that a Crisis Team & different types of interventions are desperately needed.	

Tom Aswad, shared information about Support4Recovery's speaker for recovery celebration at fundraising event. More information to follow May 24, 2016. He added that there will be a need to raise funds to be able to sponsor his participation.

Fatima Matal Sol indicated that Jill Ray called to be excused from tonight's meeting, she reminded staff to encourage the Advisory Board to also visit Martinez Detention facility to understand the whole picture.

V. Richmond Youth Council
JOSEPH JOHNSON.
PRESENTATION

Joseph Johnson explained that he advises council on policies and summarized the scope of his role as a youth council member. He spoke about the toll alcohol and drugs take in the community and sees the devastating effects in several sectors in the community, including the work environment.

He is currently interested in establishing a Countywide Youth Commission and lowering the voting age to 16 in the Richmond area. While the legal voting age is a local issue, he hopes to globalize it in the future. Some of his goals are to increase employment and internship opportunities for youth in the county, and for youth giving back the power to the people. Fatima invited Joseph to participate in the County's Marijuana Prevention Summit in March 2016. She stated that is important to know the impact of marijuana on young people.

Guita Bahramipour inquired about how to get all other districts involved in the development of a Youth Commission. Joseph indicated that he has contacted all cities and all districts without a response and added that in order for other cities and districts to participate, Board Members need to take the initiative to reach out to their own District Supervisors.

Tom Aswad requested to include Joseph's request to support the development of a Countywide Youth Commission in the next agenda and vote to recommend to the BOS.

VI. AOD Program Chief Report
Fatima Matal Sol

Fatima Matal Sol stated that stigma associated with AOD is still highly prevalent in the community and that it is important for the Board to educate the public to reduce stigma and raise awareness about the disease which is preventable, treatable and people do recover. She added that last month, Discovery House clients were

hiking in the Briones area and while at the park, the police were called by the neighbors. Our clients were approached and questioned. There were no incidents. Fatima stated that she would like for the Board to consider the idea of dedicating one of the At Large seats for alumnae/consumer representation.

Fatima gave an update on the Drug Medi-Cal Waiver Organized Delivery System. She stated that three Work Sessions were conducted. The Board was represented by Tom Aswad. The first session reviewed available data, the second session focused on the design of the system, and the last session involved system of care providers to discuss workforce development and cultural competence. The Plan should be ready late January, but will be presented to the community after submission to the State Department of Health Care Services sometime in February 2016. Jill Chioino said that it was hard to read the graphic pie charts in the documents distributed by Fatima and suggested the use of different colors.

JAMES RYAN, VICE CHAIR, MMS HAYDEN PADGETT TO MOVE COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHTS AND LIAISON REPORTS TO BE PRESENTED PRIOR TO PUBLIC COMMENT AT THE END OF THE AGENDA.

AYES: Tom Aswad, Guita Bahramipour, Antwon Cloird, Robin Houdashell, Hayden Padgett, James Ryan, Cathy Taughinbaugh

NOES: None

ABSENT: Shirley Cheney, Jerry Lasky, Brianna Robinson, Katherine Webster

ABSTAIN:

VII. COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHTS

COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHTS REPORTS WERE MOVED TO BE PRESENTED AFTER NEW BUSINESS ITEMS. (NO REPORTS PRESENTED, MEETING WAS ADJOURNED DUE TO LACK OF QUORUM AFTER ELECTION OF 2016 AOD BOARD OFFICERS.)

VIII. ELECTION OF 2016 AOD BOARD OFFICERS. Chair and Vice Chair

Staff explained that members would vote for one position at a time. The names of the individuals nominated for Chair were read out loud and printed on paper posted on the wall:

Name	# of Votes
Katherine Webster-	Withdrew
Guita Bahramipour-	III (3)
James Ryan	IIII (5)

JAMES RYAN WAS ELECTED AS THE NEW 2016 CHAIR

The names of the individuals nominated for Vice Chair were read out loud and printed on paper posted on the wall:

Name	# of Votes
Tom Aswad	IIII (5)
Guita Bahramipour	III (3)
James Ryan	(0)

TOM ASWAD WAS ELECTED AS THE NEW 2016 VICE CHAIR

IX. LIAISON REPORTS

No committee reports presented, the meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum.

X. OLD BUSINESS

No committee reports presented, the meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

No committee reports presented, the meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

The public and Board members may comment on any item of public interest within the jurisdiction of the Alcohol and other Drugs Advisory Board. (Maximum three minutes per speaker.)

No Public Comment presented, the meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:45PM as quorum ended.

**JAMES RYAN, VICE CHAIR,
ADJOURNED MEETING DUE TO
LACK OF QUORUM**