

# Maternal Child Adolescent Health Advisory Board Minutes

March 3, 2022

Members	
Attendees	Absent
Jeff Miller	Leatisia Mankaa
Renée Alger	Hannah Watson
Gina Cuclis	Natalie Johnson
Annie Nicol	Ashley Chavez*
Kathy Kane	Elizabeth Smith
Stephanie Montez	Viveka Rydell-Anderson
Melissa Apuya	Mayra Gallegos
Rachel Napoli	
Carla Denner**	

\*Excused absence

\*\*Pending Approval by Sonoma County Board of Supervisors

**Staff Present** Janette Allee, Administrative Aide, Colette Mc Gough, RN, PHN Supervisor, MCAH/CHVP Director.

**Guest** Supervisor Susan Gorin

**Call to Order** Dr. Jeff Miller called the meeting to order at 12:31 pm, introductions were made.

**Discussion** Dr. Miller welcomed Supervisor Susan Gorin to the meeting and thanked her for coming. Dr. Miller then gave a presentation on the MCAH AB to offer Sup. Gorin a summary of the history of the creation of the advisory board, their mission statement, the membership composition, the Home Visiting Programs they support and gave examples of previous advocacy efforts.

Dr. Miller then asked Sup. Gorin how the AB board can improve communication between the Board of Supervisors (BOS) to include them in their advocacy and support efforts for the Home Visiting Programs. Dr. Miller added that improving the social welfare of families impacts social determinants of health.

Sup. Gorin thanked the AB members for inviting her to attend their meeting. She mentioned that with some First 5 funding streams ending that relied on tobacco taxes, due to fewer people smoking, she suggested members join the Health Action Team. Several members mentioned they had reached out requesting to join but there were no vacancies. Sup. Gorin then recommended inviting the chair of that team to attend the MCAH AB meetings. She added that inviting the new Director of Health Services, Tina Rivera would spark her initiative decisions before they become permanent.

Colette McGough thanked Sup. Gorin for her suggestions and asked if the BOS requests research or data from specific advisory boards, stating that this AB is composed of 14-21 professionals available to the BOS to provide their expertise and advice, however it is unutilized.

Sup. Gorin stated that the BOS created 5 strategic pillars, one being Health and Safety, if the AB could coordinate their topics with one of the 5 pillars to present to the BOS that would be a way to get in front of the BOS, but she said because she didn't personally appoint these members, she isn't as involved. She went on to add the current issues the BOS will be working on shortly; the county center buildings moving, the Sonoma Developmental Center plans for which there will be two community meetings and if members would like to provide input they can email Brian Oh at Permit Sonoma.

Dr. Miller then thanked Sup. Gorin again for attending and making this meeting a priority and for the work she does.

**Meeting Minutes** Gina Cuclis motioned to approve the February minutes, Kathy Kane seconded the motion to approve, and the minutes were approved.

**Correspondence** Gina Berry and Bonnie Hayne submitted their resignations, and an application was received from Rosio Martinez at Voices for the Transitional Youth position.

**State Legislature** Melissa Apuya reported that legislation resumed session for the second year of a two-year cycle. On February 18<sup>th</sup> the bills were presented with the basic intent language without specifics, but by next month's MCAH AB meeting she will be able to have a better idea of what each bill represents and report back to us.

Colette McGeough also shared that at her state MCAH Action meeting their representative gave a breakdown of all the new bills that affect the population we serve and requested feedback. Colette may share this with the AB requesting their input if the members are interested.

**Staff Report** Colette reported nothing new.

**Public Comment** Brittany Lobo was in attendance and said hello. Elizabeth Vermilyea, from Child Parent Institute, was also present. Elizabeth said hello and mentioned she was interested in applying to be a member. Janette said she would send her an application.

**Announcements -**

**Meeting Adjourned-** The meeting adjourned at 1:49 pm.

<b>Passed Motions</b>
Minutes from February were approved.
<b>Handouts</b>
<b>Action Items</b>

<b>2022 Meeting Dates</b>			
April 7	Thursday	12:30-2:00	625 5 <sup>th</sup> Street, City View Rooms
May 5	Thursday	12:30-2:00	625 5 <sup>th</sup> Street, City View Rooms
June 2	Thursday	12:30-2:00	625 5 <sup>th</sup> Street, City View Rooms
August 4	Thursday	12:30-2:00	625 5 <sup>th</sup> Street, City View Rooms
September 1	Thursday	12:30-2:00	625 5 <sup>th</sup> Street, City View Rooms
October 6	Thursday	12:30-2:00	625 5 <sup>th</sup> Street, City View Rooms
November 3	Thursday	12:30-2:00	625 5 <sup>th</sup> Street, City View Rooms
December 1	Thursday	12:30-2:00	625 5 <sup>th</sup> Street, City View Rooms
<b>MCAH AB Web Site</b>			
<a href="https://sonomacounty.ca.gov/Maternal-Child-and-Adolescent-Health-Advisory-Board/">https://sonomacounty.ca.gov/Maternal-Child-and-Adolescent-Health-Advisory-Board/</a>			