

NAMI CALIFORNIA BOARD MEETING MINUTES
January 30, 2010

Marriott Courtyard Sacramento Midtown
4422 Y Street
Sacramento, California 95817

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Brenda Scott., President; Mark Gale, First Vice President; Charlie Hearn, Second Vice President; Dorothy Hendrickson, Secretary; Gail Evanguelidi; Frances Tibbits; Shannon Jaccard; Roberta English; Sherman Blackwell; May Farr

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Keris Myrick; Coleen Peters

STAFF PRESENT: John Aguirre, Kathleen Derby, Edward Serafica

GUESTS PRESENT: Mike Shepard and Judy Wolen

CALL TO ORDER President Brenda Scott called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

ESTABLISH QUORUM President Scott declared that a quorum was present to conduct business.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA **MOTION 1: 1/30/10:** Charlie Hearn moved to adopt the agenda with no changes. Shannon Jaccard seconded. The vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

INTRODUCTIONS & PUBLIC COMMENTS NONE

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES **MOTION 2:1/30/10:** Charlie Hearn moved to approve the October 16, 2009 Board Meeting minutes. Shannon Jaccard seconded. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

MOTION 3: 1/30/10: Frances Tibbits moved to be the minutes be adopted as submitted for October 17, 2009. Charlie Hearn seconded. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT President Brenda Scott went over the Affiliate roster and the newly developed board structure. The committees have been reduced in number and now include:

Public Policy. Coleen Peters
Fund Development. Charlie Hearn
Board Development and Personnel: Keris Myrick
Government Affairs. Frances Tibbits; co-chair Mark Gale
Budget and Finance. Charlie Hearn
Program and Membership Development: Shannon Jaccard

In addition to the six standing committees is the Executive Committee. Each year in the spring, the Conference | Planning ad hoc committee goes into effect. This year's chair will be Coleen Peters.

**TREASURER'S
REPORT**

Charlie substituted for Keris Myrick who was absent. Charlie went over the financial report that was presented by staff member, Edward Serafica. Revenues were slightly down but the financial ratios remained strong.

**FINANCE
COMMITTEE
REPORT**

Charlie addressed the issue of the CDMH contract language and the NAMI California audit that had been completed and sent by e-mail to all Directors for review.

Motion 4: 1/30/10: Charlie Hearn moved to put the 2009-2010 Audit out to bid. Mark Gale seconded. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR'S
REPORT**

Trula presented an Executive Director's report that outlined her recent outreach among partner organizations, advocacy visits at the Capitol, important conference calls and meetings, and critical events. She informed the board of operational issues that have required her attention and projected that some remedies will mean short-term costs for long-term gains.

Trula put forth a request to have a procedure in place for posting committee-generated and workgroup-generated information on the NAMI California web site. Discussion ensued.

MOTION 5: 1/30/10: Frances Tibbits moved the materials submitted for the web site shall be developed by the appropriate committee, then submitted to the Executive Committee for approval, then to the Executive Director if it is approved for posting to the website. Mark Gale seconded. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

**GOVERNMENT
AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE**

Frances Tibbits updated the board on a couple of bills waiting for Governor's action.

Legislative Advocate, Judy Wolen, made a presentation to the board.

She provided information on her duties as our lobbyist and the current climate at the Capitol, especially in light of the Governor's proposed budget cuts. She complimented NAMI CA for being active at the hearings and bringing NAMI members to testify. She said that their stories are powerfully persuasive with legislators.

All new bills in the legislature had to be submitted by February 22. The Government Affairs committee would be very active around that date and afterward.

**POLICY
COMMITTEE**

The Policy Committee recommended that NAMI remain in control of our signature programs even if they are funded, staffed or in some way aided by the County Mental Health Departments or a community partner.

**PROGRAM &
MEMBERSHIP
DEVELOPMENT**

Coleen and co-chair Dorothy said they would be starting up the Conference Planning ad hoc group shortly. The board discussed the use of C-Vent for on-line registration. A theme for the conference had not been selected. The conference venue for 2010 is Burlingame, San Francisco Airport Marriott

Staff members Kathleen Derby, MHSA Policy Coordinator, and John Aguirre, a newly hired staff person for the Working Well Together program were introduced to the board and provided a report of their work.

**FUND
DEVELOPMENT**

No activity from this committee at this time. Charlie will be looking into how to organize this committee.

**BOARD
DEVELOPMENT
& PERSONNEL**

No report in addition to the information already discussed by Brenda Scott in her President's report.

**CLOSED
SESSION**

Moved into closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned for the day at 4:00 p.m.

Brenda Scott

Brenda Scott, President

05/01/2010
Date