CALL TO ORDER
President Dorothy Hendrickson called the meeting to order at 9:20 a.m.

2012 ANNUAL CONVENTION
Discussion of the Conference Workshop proposals continued. After careful consideration of each workshop proposal, it was decided the workshops would be chosen by a drawing of the workshop names instead of personal selection. A notification letter will be sent to all applicants thanking them for their application and detailing the selection process to ensure fairness.

MOTION #3
Motion: To move forward with NAMI Bikes.
MOTION by Shannon Jaccard
Second by Brenda Scott
Motion Passed

NAMI BIKES
President Dorothy Hendrickson gave a report to the Board in regards to NAMI Bikes. This is a new NAMI National program and is a main focus for 2012-2013. It has been recognized that the sport of cycling has increased across the country, and NAMI National is now working with state organizations to organize NAMI Bike events. Mat Mendel has been hired by NAMI National to oversee the NAMI Bikes program. NAMI California has been in discussion with NAMI National for the past months and is in the planning stages of hosting
a bike tour in Sacramento on November 10, 2012. President Dorothy Hendrickson shared with the board that Chuck Harmon from the NAMI National office had flown out to California to meet with Dorothy to discuss this event in person.

The board discussed the possibility of hiring of Bob Davis, the current event planner for the 2012 Annual Conference, to coordinate and spearhead the NAMI Bikes event. U.C. Davis has been approached as a possible event location, and the event would be scheduled to be a 3-4 day cycling event that would complete a 330 mile course. The fundraising goal of $250,000 has been set. Deputy Director Steven Purcell highlighted the most current documents showing the preliminary distribution of responsibilities and expectations for the event.

There was discussion that the NAMI Bikes event would support and assist the local California affiliates by splitting the proceeds of the event equally with each affiliate office in the state after all expenses have been paid. Board Secretary Shannon Jaccard reviewed the proposed contract with NAMI National and a few questions and concerns are to be addressed in negotiations. The board will be updated as more information is received and meetings continue.

Board Secretary Shannon Jaccard gave her report for the Governance Committee. There was discussion on the following topics:

NAMI California Vacation Policy: Efforts have continued to create a new NAMI California Vacation Policy. This important policy was discussed in detail by the board. Some recommendations were given and it was determined that the document would be given to an HR agency to review and give any recommendations to ensure it is complete and correct.

Board Responsibilities: Board Secretary Shannon Jaccard went over the Board Member Responsibilities in detail. It had been noted that applicants to the board found the form overwhelming and the "tone" of the document needs to be modified.

Bylaws: Removal of Directors: The bylaw policies are being revised and it was discussed with the board. Questions were asked and feedback was given. The Board will email Shannon Jaccard any other
Board Member Sergio Aguilar-Gaxiola gave a presentation to the board entitled “Culture and Language Matter in Mental Health Care!”. The research in this report gives information showing how crucial it is for different cultures to be recognized and addressed with respect and sensitivity to their values and beliefs.

This report shared a wealth of information that helped give the board an in-depth view of how to communicate with other cultures and how behaviors can make an enormous difference in how people interact in their daily lives. The goal is to educate people and improve communication in all areas and professional capacities in the mental health communities. This will improve the ability of health care providers to better care for their patients with diverse social and cultural backgrounds.

MOTION #4

Motion: I make a motion to approve the amendments to the “Diversity, Inclusion, Nondiscrimination, and Cultural and Linguistic Competency Policy” as reviewed and approved by our legal counsel.

MOTION by Shannon Peterson
Second by Mark Gale
Motion Passed

MOTION #5

Motion: Motion to approve an expense of $3,500 to print and mail approximately 175 copies of the MHSA Report.

MOTION by Ratan Bhavnani
Second by Mark Gale
Motion Passed

ADJOURNED

The meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

Shannon Jaccard
NAMi CA Board Secretary