

NAMI CALIFORNIA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 17, 2009
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; Keris Myrick, Treasurer; Coleen Peters; Gail Evangelidi; Frances Tibbits; Shannon Jaccard; Roberta English; Sherman Blackwell

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

STAFF PRESENT: Catherina Isidro; Executive Assistant/Office Manager

GUESTS PRESENT: Candidate C

CALL TO ORDER President Brenda Scott called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

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

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA President Scott advised the board to disregard the agenda in the board packet and that a revised agenda was passed out at the board dinner the night before with a change that the Saturday meeting will go through 10 a.m. instead of 9 a.m. before going into closed session

MOTION 1: 10/17/09: Frances Tibbits moved to adopt the agenda with changes. Keris Myrick seconded. The vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

INTRODUCTIONS & PUBLIC COMMENTS NONE

APPROVAL OF SPECIAL AUGUST 22, 2009 BOARD MEETING MINUTES The following changes were noted: Dorothy Hendrickson was NOT present during the *Special* August 22, 2009 Board Meeting.

MOTION 2: 10/17/09: Charlie moved to accept the Special August 22, 2009 Board Meeting Minutes with changes. Gail Evangelidi seconded. Brenda Scott abstained. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF
AUGUST 23, 2009
BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

The following changes were noted: Keris Myrick was NOT present during the August 23, 2008 Board Meeting, Candace Jackson was Secretary at the time and Shannon Jaccard was also not in attendance.

MOTION 3: 10/17/09: Mark Gale moved to accept the August 23, 2009 Board Meeting Minutes. Shannon Jaccard seconded. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

**PRESIDENT'S
REPORT**

President Scott briefly went over the content of Senator Grassley's letter (See attachment #3) to the board. She also informed the board that a response from NAMI California was already sent to Senator Grassley's office therefore, an extension was no longer needed. The board reiterated that they've reviewed the letter from Senator Grassley, as well as the subsequent response after it was sent, and that they did not approve the subsequent response prior to it being sent out.

President Scott informed the board that NAMI California hired a new MHSA Policy Coordinator. Her name is Kathleen Derby. Kathleen will be working 32 hours per week and will be job sharing Dede Ranahan, MHSA Program Manger's position until she retires in December of 2009.

President Scott passed out copies of Lynn Cathy's year-end report for Family-to-Family, as well as Becks Hawkins' Peer-to-Peer, IOOV and Connection report. There was a brief discussion from the board as to the contents of the reports.

**TREASURER'S
REPORT:**

Keris Myrick briefly went over the NAMI California financials to the rest of the board. Charlie Hearn would like to see financial results from the conference presented in a more itemized manner (e.g., budget vs. actual).

MOTION 4: 10/17/09: Charlie Hearn moved to see a complete accounting of the annual conference. Keris Myrick seconded. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

**GOVERNMENT
AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE**

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

- AB 244 – Mental Health Parity
NAMI California sent emails to affiliates and members asking them to send their letters of support to the Governor.
- AB 235 – Emergency Services and Care
This bill expands current law to allow transfer of a patient in a MH emergency without regard to insurance coverage to psych hospital/unit

Frances also updated the board on failed passages. See Attachment #5 for more information.

**CONFERENCE
COMMITTEE**

Coleen Peters is now the new chair of the Conference Committee.

**POLICY
COMMITTEE**

Coleen will remain the chair of this committee. Gail Evangelidi is now vice-chair.

**CONSUMER
PARTICIPATION
& LEADERSHIP
COMMITTEE**

This is no longer a standing committee. It will now be a sub-committee of the conference committee.

**CRIMINAL
JUSTICE
COMMITTEE**

Mark Gale briefly went over his Criminal Justice report. See attachment #4 for more info and for the rest of his report.

**MHSA
COMMITTEE**

This committee is no longer a standing committee. It will now be a sub-committee of government affairs.

**VETERANS
COMMITTEE**

NONE

**CLOSED
SESSION**

The meeting went into closed session. Interview with Candidate C.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Brenda Scott

12/30/09

Brenda Scott, President

Date