MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Friday, January 31, 2020
9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: President, Pat Courneya; Past President, Guy Qvistgaard; Vice President, Joe Farrow; Treasurer, Christina Roup; Secretary, Jei Africa; Jim Randall, Harold Turner, Armando Sandoval, Paul Lu, Andrew Bertagnolli, and Gustavo Loera

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Cindy Beck

STAFF PRESENT: Jessica Cruz, Chief Executive Officer; Steven Kite, Chief Operating Officer; and Lena Williams, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order by Board President Patrick Courneya at 9:03 a.m.

WELCOME
The President welcomed the Board Members and Staff and thanked participants who attended the Board Dinner. CEO Jessica Cruz introduced Executive Assistant Lena Williams to the Board. Members were reminded to update the forms included in their binders.

ROLL CALL
There was a Quorum of the Board to conduct business

MOTION #1
MOTION: Approval of Consent Agenda as presented.
The board approved the Consent Agenda Item which contained Board Meeting Minutes from the October 31, 2019 meeting, July-November 2019 Financials
MOVED: Jei Africa SECONDED: Chris Roup
MOTION PASSED

CEO REPORT
Jessica provided a brief overview which included an update about staff’s active search for new office space which may be presented to the Board in April 2020 for budget approval as well as the Prop 63 (MHSA) refresh proposal by Mayor Steinberg to focus on homelessness, criminal justice and youth (an overall take of more than $2 billion), which is already a fixed core value of MHSA.

Discussion continued regarding current legislation and funding streams, (AB 1300) NAMI CA’s definition of greatly disabled, advocacy for statewide 5150 emergency room standards (1A plus 1B), need for more crisis
stabilization beds, statewide outcomes data reporting standards, Counties participation, partnerships with DSH and CHA, and inclusion on mental/behavioral health task forces.

All Board Members are invited to participate in the MHSA and LPS Reform Policy Committee discussion. MHSA and LPS Reform white papers being designed and will be shared with the Policy Committee.

*Board will be invited to the MHSA and LPS focus groups which will be held in Sacramento to collect ideas for solutions.

*Staff will design a solution for presentation to the Policy Committee to identify five things the board wants to see (that will drive advocacy efforts).

*Language development to include in a CHA spot bill (board amendments either in an Ad Hoc Committee or as part of the Policy Committee).

COMMITTEE REPORTS
A brief summary of all committee activities was presented by the Chairs of each committee.

BYLAWS UPDATE
Olson Remcho Attorney Andrew Werbrock provided an overview of updates he has been working on with staff.

*Electronic and paper ballots with instructions will be sent to membership with a due date of April 2020.

*Research use of podcasts for bylaws discussion with affiliates using Andrew as the facilitator. ALC may work on assembling 12 guests.

*Revisit re-affiliation documents to see if all affiliates are incorporated in addition to 501(3)(c). Follow-up with letters and/or calls to Counties/Affiliates to inform them of the expectation.

*Andrew will review the national template regarding code of conduct language.

MOTION #2
MOTION: Approval of the Bylaws Update as presented.
MOVED: Armando Sandoval SECONDED: Chris Roup
MOTION PASSED

AUDIT REVIEW
BFBA Senior Audit Manager Andrew Der provided a high-level overview of the financial audit.

MOTION #3
MOTION: Approval of the Audit as presented.
MOVED: Chris Roup SECONDED: Guy Qvistgaard
MOTION PASSED
2020-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE
La Piana Senior Consultant Doug Green provided a status of the next five-year strategic plan.

*Background of completed work will be sent to the board.

*What does implementation look like as we approach next steps?

*Develop a valid/reliable tool that all affiliates can use for data collection regardless of their available resources that can measure valuable specific data. The questionnaire will be used to compare the variance of definitions between families and individuals.

PRESENTATION BY CA DEPARTMENT OF STATE HOSPITALS
Director Stephanie Clenendin presented a variety of statewide data collected by the Department.

CONFERENCE 2020 UPDATE
VP of Operations Kris Amezcua provided a conference overview.

CLOSING COMMENTS
Board members expressed their enjoyment at the Board Dinner and lunch reception with staff. Staff will coordinate another Board Dinner and staff lunch reception for the next in-person Board of Directors Meeting.

MOTION #3
Motion to Adjourn: Adjourn until April 2020 Board of Directors meeting webinar.
MOVED: Cindy Beck SECONDED: Armando Sandoval
MOTION APPROVED

ADJOURNED
The meeting was adjourned at 4:01 p.m.

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Jei Africa                                      Date
Secretary, Board of Directors                   NAMI California

Action Items*