

NAMI San Joaquin County
Board Meeting
Thursday, June 19th, 2014, 6 P.M.
SJCMH, 1212 N. California St. Room B, Stockton, CA 95202
MINUTES

Call to Order: 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: William Smith, Tasso Kandris, Gertie Kandris, Elizabeth Hess, James Jones, Jennie Montoya, Irene Sherman, Ron Vandermoon, Rita Verde-Fellows, Raksmev Castleman

Absent: Pamela Swift

Guests: Nancy Smith and Debbie Alter

Approval of Minutes: Jennie Montoya motion to approve the minutes with the correction of Jennie's name. Bill S seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: Jennie brought brochures of NAMI for the Board to look at. Decision on brochure will be on July's agenda to discuss and vote on.

Correspondence: The Board read the letter from Lynn Padlo (NAMI Stanislaus) about IOOV. Read Letter of thanks to Dr. Thomas Moore and Mr. & Mrs. Stefanac for their contributions to NAMI of San Joaquin. (See attachments)

New Business

1. **Change Pasta Lunch from May to October effective 2015.** October 5-11 is Mental Illness Awareness Week. The Board discussed changing the Pasta Lunch to October in 2015. All Board members agreed. Bill motioned to move Pasta Lunch to October in 2015. Jennie seconded. Unanimous vote.
2. **We are invited to participate in "Recovery Happens" at BHS on 9-13-2014 – 11:30 to 3 pm.** The Board voted to participate and help on the Planning Committee for Recovery Happens. Bill motioned to help at the event. Irene Seconded. Board voted unanimously.
3. **Review Communication Committee.** Rita made no additional reports on Communication Committee at this time.
4. **Badges for Volunteers.** The Board discussed badges for volunteers. Tasso asked for a list of names. Teachers and presenters will be getting badges up to the limit of \$50.00. Bill motioned to have badges for volunteers. Jennie seconded. Board voted unanimously.
5. **St. Joseph Grant.** Board discussed St. Joseph Grant application for 2015. Bill motioned to abstain from applying for St. Joseph Grant. Jennie Seconded. 6 voted not to re-apply, 4 voted to abstain from the vote, 0 voted against the motion. Motion= not to apply for the grant.
6. **NAMI brochures.** Board reviewed and discussed authorization for funds to purchase NAMI brochures. Board authorized funding for brochures. Rita will order the brochures.
7. **By-Laws Review** - moved to be reviewed at the end of the meeting.

Old Business:

1) **Speakers Report : Presentation for July, August, and September**

July – Steve Moore will discuss Jail and mental illness

Aug – Michael Fields from the Wellness Center

Sep– Dr. Rice

2) **Further discussion on Communications report** : No additional report were discuss on Communication per Rita

3) **Pasta Lunch & Raffle tickets final push** – Bill & Jennie briefly discussion on how to contact the raffle tickets winner for the future. Bill mentioned we have to consider HIPAA. Board agrees.

4) **NAMI Walk – FINAL wrap up** – Bill & Liz reported the current amount received from the NAMI Walk. NAMI Walk - FINAL wrap up- SJ NAMI raised approximately \$14000.00 gross funds. Donation opens until 7/2/14.

5) **Business Cards** – Nancy provided ideas about possible ways of providing business cards to NAMI Board Members. Rita motioned to provide generic flip card with programs on the back and without names. Name of individual can be hand written and be used by everyone. Jennie seconded. Voted: 8 voted yes, 1 voted nay, 0 abstain. Motion moved to pass.

5 (a) – Bill requested to have business cards for the Executive Members. Board voted against this request unanimously.

Reports:

A: Treasurer's report – Elizabeth Hess handed out the most current financials for the boards review. The new format includes a column for last year's figures for comparison.

NAMI had a CD due of \$7526.60 and the question was if we should renew. Tasso suggested that he had recently found that BBVA Compass Bank was offering an 18 month CD at 1.15%. APY. Liz she would investigate to see if higher rates were still available. The Board voiced their agreement that if the number 1.15% number was still available, we should change from B of Stockton to the Bank with the higher rate.

B: Bills presented for payment- Discussion ensued about ETS Presenter Stipends no longer being paid by CalMHSA; Nancy stated that NAMI San Joaquin has sufficient funds to continue paying ETS Presenter stipends at \$30 per Presenter. Bill motioned to pay stipends. Jenny seconded. Board voted unanimously.

C: Legislative Report – Gertie reviewed the current status of the Federal HR 4302 and SB 22. (Reports are attached to the Minutes)

D: MH&SAB Report –"Report attached" (See 1st attachment) .

E: NAMI Multi Cultural Taskforce – Raksme reported on getting Dora and Jim together to have a first brainstorming session on the mission of the Multicultural Taskforce. Raksme made contacts with three Khmer Community Leaders to discuss about subcommittee for Multicultural Taskforce.

F: Other Committee Reports from any of the committees. Tasso reported on the Consortium and provided PowerPoint print out on Recovery Happens presentation.

6) **NAMI CA Trainings** – No upcoming NAMI CA trainings at this time.

7) Educational Programs Report for 2014

A: Family to Family & Familia a Familia (volunteer – no contract)- no addition information at this time.

B: In Our Own Voice – En Nuestra Proipia Voz (SJC BHS contract – stipends)- 3 IOOV @ BHS. Bill signed up 23 and paid their dues, but still having challenges recruiting presenters.

C: Peer to Peer – Persona a Persona (SJC BHS contract – stipends)- Michael Field is leading the Peer to Peer and has been a success.

D: Basics (sponsorship?)- No more discussion on this item as suggested per Bill. This item has been discussed and resolved.

E: Provider Education Course (SJC BHS contract)- Upcoming courses not yet confirmed.

F: NAMI CalMHSAs Programs

(Parents & Teachers as Allies (**PTA**) – Ending the Silence (**ETS**) - (**IOOV**) {verbal agreement w/NAMI Stanislaus})
Gertie and Tasso have one more presentation on Monday, June 21, 2014.

4) Support Groups Report:

A: English Family Support Groups = Lodi (10); Manteca ; Stockton (5); Tracy (4)

B: Spanish Family Support Group = Stockton – Rosalva and Doris are still running the groups

C: Connections Support Groups = Stockton; Tracy

- Bill reported 15 attendance, 3-4 new people each week
- Wendy is helping Kerrie in Manteca

5) Good of the order Board members only:

6) By-Laws were reviewed by Tasso. Will resume Article V: Fiscal Year at the next meeting.

Adjourn: 8:05 pm

Next NAMI SJC Board Meeting: Thursday, July 16th, 2014, 6 P.M.
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Submitted by Raksmeey Castleman, Secretary, NAMI San Joaquin County