

BHS Older Adult Council
MEETING NOTES- FINAL
Wednesday, March 16,, 2016
1:00-3:00 p.m., BHS – La Jolla Room



Meeting Lead: Martin Celnar, Chair-Elect

ITEM	SUMMARY
1. Welcome-Martin Celnar	In absence of the Chair, Martin welcomed all to this month’s meeting and asked members to introduce themselves.
2. Public Comment	None.
3. Review and approval of Minutes- Virginia West	Minutes for the February Meeting were approved with pending notes.
4. Chair’s Report- Martin Celnar	Martin welcomed Elizabeth Estrada of the Neighborhood House Association. Elizabeth is an RN and a new member of the Council. Elizabeth described her work at Alpha Square, a newly renovated housing complex into which 150 individuals were moved from the former Metro which has since been demolished. She works as a Geriatric Outreach Specialist assisting seniors to link to appropriate services including medical, substance abuse or mental health services.
5. Behavioral Health Director’s Report/Updates-Alfredo Aguirre	(Absent due to conflicting meeting)
6. Older Adult SOC Update-Piedad Garcia	<p>Piedad announced that BHS is in the process of finalizing the Operational Plan or budget for FY 16-17. New programs and enhancements were proposed derived from Community Forums; Probation; standing needs or new priorities. The requests have been sifted through 2-3 times and we hope to have the final plan by late March. The plan goes to the Board for final approval in July. Enhancements will be in the Allocation letters sent to each legal entity in early April.</p> <p>RE Suicide Prevention Workgroup recommendations, Holly, Piedad, Danyte and Yael are reviewing to determine \$\$ and resources required and will present initial suggestions in early summer to the BH Board. Piedad commented that staff has been incredibly busy with multiple RFPs and amendments. She announced that Debbie Malcarne is retiring effective April 14th and will be sorely missed but a new team of AOA CORs is in place and are already hard at work.</p>
7. MHSA Report -Gary Ulmer-Goodrich	<p>MHSA Annual update that was scheduled for public comment on March 7th has been rescheduled to May2nd to begin the 30 day public review. It is due to the BOS on July 17th.</p> <p>New PEI and INN regulations have received some pushback with</p>

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	<p>questions about data collection especially the demographics. The MHSAOAC is holding public forums in Oakland, LA and Calaverus in Late March and April.</p> <p>Gary remarked that 3000 data points were collected from the nearly 900 participants who attended 13 Community Forums This year the forums will start in September and the coordination for the forums has been contracted out to assist the MHSA group,</p>
<p>8. "Developing A Patient-Centric Environment" Theresa Aflalo, RN UCSD Behavioral Health Unit; Mentee; CalSEARCH</p>	<p>Ms. Aflalo gave a very well –received trauma-informed presentation on the need to assist seniors’ safety and engagement in facilities by paying attention to colors, floor coverings, lighting and music. For instance, persons with sight limitations benefit when walls and doors are in contrasting colors making them more discernable. Floor coverings should be hard surfaces that change color to distinguish different areas. In dining rooms, colors can have an impact on appetite for those with some eating impairment. Outside, small gardens with seating encourage more social interaction.</p>
<p>9. Housing Council Update-Ruth Covell</p>	<p>(Pending)</p>
<p>10. QI Update- Dasha</p>	<p>(Pending)</p>
<p>11. Announcements/Public Comments</p>	

Meeting Notes prepared by: Virginia West

**NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR
Wednesday, May 18, 2016
BHS – LA JOLLA ROOM- 1:00-3:00pm**