

IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

_____ day _____, 2013

PRESENT: Supervisors

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION RENAMING MENTAL HEALTH BOARD TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD
AND DISSOLVING THE DRUG & ALCOHOL ADVISORY BOARD BY INTEGRATING THE
BOARD MEMBERS AND DUTIES INTO THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD

The following resolution is hereby offered and read:

WHEREAS, the Mental Health Board was established by the County Board of Supervisors pursuant to California Welfare and Institutions Code sections 5604 et seq., to establish mandates for representation and ensure advocacy for those individuals dealing with mental illness; and

WHEREAS, the Drug & Alcohol Advisory Board was established by the County Board of Supervisors pursuant to Health and Safety Code sections 11805 and 11752.1(e) to establish mandates for representation and ensure advocacy for those individuals dealing with substance abuse, use, or recovery issues; and

WHEREAS, the roles and duties of the Mental Health Board and Drug & Alcohol Advisory Board are complementary and duplicative; and

WHEREAS, the Mental Health Board and the Drug & Alcohol Advisory Board jointly recommend that the Board appointments be integrated together as the Board of Supervisors' representatives and become the core of a new board to be known as the Behavioral Health Board; and

WHEREAS, implementing this recommendation will consolidate the impact of Board appointments, increase the ability of community citizens to effect meaningful changes related to mental illness and/or substance abuse, use or recovery, bring broader community input into the decisions of the Behavioral Health Board and eliminate duplication of effort and gaps in oversight.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, that the Board of Supervisors hereby dissolves the Drug & Alcohol Advisory Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Mental Health Board is renamed as the Behavioral Health Board, which shall have no less than ten (10) and no more than twenty (20) members

of which at least one-half of the seated membership be consumers of the public mental health system or family members of consumers, the remaining members may be representatives of the general public and the professions which are concerned with behavioral health. One member of the Board shall be a member of the County's Board of Supervisors. The term of each member shall be for three (3) years, ending June 30 of the appropriate year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors recognizes that the current functions and duties of the Mental Health Board and Drug & Alcohol Advisory Boards will be taken up by the Behavioral Health Board, which will include one Board of Supervisors representative and all current Mental Health Board members as the core membership, to be joined by other interested community residents. All current members of the Drug & Alcohol Advisory Board are invited to apply for membership on the Behavioral Health Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors extends its gratitude to the current and past members for their service to the County, and congratulates each Board for developing a recommendation that will further the aims of both groups and benefit the residents of San Luis Obispo County.

Upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____, and on the following roll call vote, to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINING:

The foregoing resolution is hereby adopted:

Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors

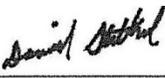
ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

BY: _____ Deputy Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL EFFECT

Rita L. Neal
County Counsel

By: 

Deputy County Counsel

Date: January 3, 2013