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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Alice Hughey for Leanne Link - County Executive Officer
County Executive Office
REPORT BY: Barbara Fultz, Administrative Support Tech - (707) 253-4595
SUBJECT: Appointments to the Napa County Mental Health Board

RECOMMENDATION

County Executive Officer requests appointment of the following applicants to the Napa County Mental Health Board: one (1) new appointment representing Interested and Concerned Citizen with the term of office to commence immediately and expire January 1, 2019 and one (1) reappointment representing Consumer with the term of office to commence immediately and expire January 1, 2020.

<u>Name</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Representing</u>
Laurence M. Kamer	3	Interested and Concerned Citizen
Steven C. Gehring	1	Consumer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

There are currently five (5) vacancies on the Mental Health Board (MHB) due to resignations and an expiring term: two (2) representing Consumer, one (1) representing Family Member of Consumer, and two (2) representing Interested and Concerned Citizen. The County Executive Office advertised the vacancies and received one (1) application from Laurence M. Kamer and one (1) reappointment request from Steven C. Gehring. The MHB met on January 9, 2017 and recommended Laurence M. Kamer to represent one of the Interested and Concerned Citizen vacancies and the reappointment of Steven C. Gehring to represent one of the Consumer vacancies.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The authority of the Napa County Mental Health Board (MHB) is established pursuant to the Bronzan-McCorquodale Act of the California Welfare and Institutions Code (commencing at section 5600 et seq). The purpose of the MHB is to:

- | Review and evaluate the County's mental health needs, services, facilities and special problems;
- | Review any County agreements entered into pursuant to Section 5650;
- | Advise the Napa County Board of Supervisors and the Napa County Mental Health Director as to any aspect of the County's mental health program;
- | Review and approve the procedures used to ensure citizen and professional involvement at all stages of the planning process;
- | Submit an annual report to the Napa County Board of Supervisors on the needs and performance of the mental health system of Napa County;
- | Review and make recommendations on applicants for appointment of the Napa County Mental Health Director. The MHB shall be included in the selection process prior to the vote of the Napa County Board of Supervisors;
- | Review and comment on Napa County's performance outcome data and communicate its findings to the California Mental Health Planning Council;
- | Assess the impact of the realignment of services from the State to Napa County on services delivered to clients and on the local community; and
- | Perform such additional duties as may be assigned to the MHB by the Napa County Board of Supervisors.

On December 7, 2010, Resolution 2010-150 approved a change to the MHB bylaws regarding recruitment and selection of its members. The bylaws now read that five (5) members are selected and appointed directly by the Board of Supervisors and the remaining ten (10) members will first be interviewed and nominated by the MHB. This change was made to set the stage for increased recruitment of potential members and assist in streamlining and facilitating timely appointments to address chronic vacancies.

On September 25, 2012, Resolution 2012-139 approved changes to the bylaws of the MHB to further define the duties of the Chair and the Executive Committee; consolidate various subcommittees that support the efforts of the MHB; add language to clarify meeting attendance standards; clarify the process for handling vacancies on the Board; and establish policies and procedures for matters not covered by the previous MHB bylaws.

The County Executive Office will continue to coordinate with the MHB liaison to recruit for the remaining three (3) vacancies.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- A . Laurence M. Kamer Application
- B . Steven C. Gehring Reappointment Application
- C . Napa County Mental Health Board Recommendation Memo

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Molly Rattigan