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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Pamela Kindig for Nancy Watt - County Executive Officer
County Executive Office

REPORT BY: Nadine Willoughby, Administrative Support Technician - 253-4595

SUBJECT: Reappointment to the Napa County Mental Health Board

RECOMMENDATION

County Executive Officer requests the reappointment of William Grandrath to serve on the Mental Health Board representing the category of Family Member of Consumer with term of office to commence immediately and expire January 1, 2016.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

There are currently five (5) openings on the Mental Health Board due to term expirations and resignations. William Grandrath submitted a request for reappointment to another three year term. Mr. Grandrath has served on the Mental Health Board two (2) consecutive terms since 2007. The Mental Health Board bylaws limit member terms to two (2) consecutive three-year terms unless a waiver and recommendation letter is provided by the Mental Health Board. The Mental Health Board met in regular session on October 14, 2013 and recommended Mr. Grandrath's reappointment. Harris Nussbaum has served on the Mental Health Board since 2007 representing the category of Family Member of Consumer and submitted his resignation from the Mental Health Board at this time. Resignations were also received from Robin Dixon representing the category of Consumer, Regina Gottlieb representing Family Member of Consumer and Molly Stevenson representing BOS Appointee Family Member of Consumer or Consumer.

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 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 Mental Health Board is as follows:

- 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 the County of Napa;
- Review and make recommendations on applicants for appointment of the Napa County Mental Health Director. The Mental Health Board shall be included in the selection process prior to the vote of the Napa County Board of Supervisors;
- Review and comment on the County of Napa'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 Mental Health Board by the Napa County Board of Supervisors.

On December 7, 2010, your Board approved a change to the bylaws of the Mental Health Board which included a change to the 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 Mental Health Board. 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. Previously, all applicants were interviewed by a subcommittee of the Mental Health Board who then submitted recommendations to the full Mental Health Board. The Mental Health Board then submitted recommendations on appointments to your Board.

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The County Executive Office will continue to recruit for the remaining vacancies representing Consumer, Family Member of Consumer (2) and Board appointee Family Member of Consumer.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- A . William Grandrath Application
- B . Mental Health Board Recommendation

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi