

Measure A Oversight Committee Meeting Minutes – May 30, 2008 – 9-11:30am

Attendance:

Appointed members present:

1. Ken Ballard
2. Brad Cleveland
3. Kay Eisenhower
4. Jay Garfinkle, M.D.
5. Larry J. Platt, M.D.
6. Beth Pollard
7. Don Sheppard
8. Sal Tedesco

Appointed members absent:

1. Rich Ambrose
2. Louis Chicoine
3. Arthur Geen
4. Neil Marks
5. Ronald Tauber

Other attendees:

1. Suzanne Barba, Observer
2. Vana Chavez, Alameda County Health Care Services Agency
3. Edith Davis, Bay Area Consortium for Quality Health Care (BACQHC)
4. Jacqueline DeBose, Bay Area Consortium for Quality Health Care
5. Dave Kears, Alameda County Health Care Services Agency
6. Joe Sadusky, Kring Design Studio
7. Dr Gwen Rowe-Lee Sykes, Bay Area Consortium for Quality Health Care

II. Review of Minutes

- Ken Ballard motioned to adopt the meeting minutes from April 25, 2008; motion seconded by Sal Tedesco; motion passed.

III. Review of Materials

- Vana Chavez reviewed the materials provided, which included:
 1. Measure A Revenue Received to Date;
 2. Draft of Measure A Report.

IV. Announcements

- Thank you card and picture of Christopher from Jennifer Chan were passed around.

V. Discussion on Supplantation

Brad Cleveland distributed a spreadsheet that he had developed entitled “Analysis of County Budget Trends and County Support for ACMC.” Dave Kears and Vana Chavez distributed a spreadsheet that HCSA had developed entitled “Alameda County Health Care Services Agency Six -Year History of ACMC Indigent funding FY 02/03 – FY 07/08.”

Upon review of the materials, a lively discussion occurred regarding the County’s budgeting process and whether the amount of funds awarded to ACMC reflected indirect supplantation. The Oversight Committee concluded that it could not determine whether supplantation of funding to ACMC did or did not occur. Dr. Platt recommended that the committee consider hiring an outside auditor to review the non-ACMC Measure A expenditures and to address the issue of Supplantation of funds to ACMC. Again there was much discussion and Beth Pollard motioned that Kay Eisenhower develop some draft language subject to review by staff and the Oversight Committee for inclusion in the Measure A report. Don Sheppard seconded the motion and Jay Garfinkle argued against the motion, but he did agree that an independent outside auditor be hired to assess the situation. Ken Ballard proposed some recommended language for inclusion in the report and Sal Tedesco discouraged use of the word “supplantation” or “violation”, but to

emphasize that the committee does have some “concerns.” Beth’s motion was then passed unanimously and Kay will be drafting some language for the report.

VI. Review of Draft Report

- The most recent draft report was reviewed in detail with recommendations to modify certain sections, eliminate others, expand some sections, etc. All requested changes were duly noted by Joe Sadusky, consultant with Kring Design Studio who will be producing the final report.
- It was requested that HCSA provide a summary report of all policy decisions/adoptions made by the Board of Supervisors in Fiscal years 05/06 and 06/07.
- The Measure A report subcommittee will meet sometime in June, prior to the next Oversight committee meeting, to review and edit the report.

VII. Public Comment

- Gwen Rowe-Lee Sykes, Executive Director of Bay Area Consortium for Quality Health Care, expressed her concern that her organization was being unfairly criticized in the report and that her organization was being held to a different standard of accountability from that of other organizations that had benefited from the receipt of Measure A revenue.

VIII. Next Meeting – June 27, 2008, 9-11:30am

- Continued review of report