Measure A Oversight Committee Meeting Minutes – March 23, 2007

(*Minutes approved on 4/27/2007.*)

Attendance:

Appointed members present:

- 1. Adele Amodeo
- 2. Ken Ballard
- 3. Louis Chicoine
- 4. Brad Cleveland
- 5. Kay Eisenhower
- 6. Jay Garfinkle, M.D.
- 7. Arthur Geen

- 8. Peter Manoleas
- 9. Neil Marks
- 10. Larry Platt, M.D.
- 11. Don Sheppard
- 12. Ronald Tauber
- 13. Sal Tedesco

Appointed members absent:

- 1. Rich Ambrose
- 2. Beth Pollard
- 3. Charlie Ridgell
- 4. Ron Silva

Other attendees:

- 1. Jesse Allen-Taylor, Berkeley Daily Planet
- 2. Suzanne Barba
- 3. Jennifer Chan, Alameda County Health Care Services Agency
- 4. Vana Chavez, Alameda County Health Care Services Agency
- 5. Dave Kears, Alameda County Health Care Services Agency

II. Review of Minutes

- 1. Louis Chicoine motioned to adopt the meeting minutes from February 23, 2007
- 2. Motion seconded by Adele Amodeo
- 3. Abstain: Art Geeen
- 4. Motion passed

III. Announcements

• Jennifer Chan reminded Committee members to submit their completed Form 700, Statement of Economic Interest; the deadline for submission is April 1, 2007

IV. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

- Art Geen moved to reelect Larry Platt, MD as chair of the Oversight Committee
- Motion seconded by Jay Garfinkle, MD
- Motion passed
- Jay Garfinkle, MD moved to reelect Sal Tedesco as vice-chair of the Oversight Committee
- Motion seconded by Art Geen

Motion passed

V. Reallocation of Measure A Funds (recommendations to Board of Supervisors)

- Larry Platt, MD, Bradley Cleveland and Kay Eisenhower shared with the Committee that they met with Supervisors Carson and Lai-Bitker to discuss the reallocation of Measure A funds
- The following information was shared:
 - Supervisors Carson and Lai-Bitker are interested in getting feedback to guide the allocation of reserves and additional (unanticipated) revenue generated;
 - Both parties shared an interest in reducing health disparities, leveraging, rewarding departments or agencies that go beyond maintenance of effort, establishing funds for emergencies, more communication / dialogue between the Oversight Committee and the Board of Supervisors (including attendance at Oversight Committee meetings by Supervisors' staff);
 - Consider the idea of having joint meetings with the Oversight Committee, the Board of Supervisors and the Alameda County Medical Center Board of Trustees to encourage dialogue;
 - Supervisor Lai-Bitker acknowledged the narrow and retrospective role of the Oversight Committee; this led to a discussion concerning some Committee members' interest in considering how efficiently Measure A funds are used; the Committee agreed that a better understanding of program and financial audits would be helpful in conducting future reviews.
- Kay Eisenhower motioned that the Oversight Committee recommend to the Board of Supervisors an extension of the existing Measure A allocations (the 25% not specifically designated to the Alameda County Medical Center) for one year – rather than three years - to allow more time to decide on 3-year funding allocations; motion seconded by Bradley Cleveland; motion passed
- Kay Eisenhower motioned that the Oversight Committee encourage the Board of Supervisors to include a cost of living adjustment (COLA) in the reallocation of Measure A funds; motion seconded by Adele Amodeo; motion passed
- The Committee requested Jennifer Chan draft a letter making the recommendations to the Board of Supervisors, to be signed by the chair and vice-chair

VI. Planning and Preparation for Review of FY 05/06 and 06/07 Expenditures

- The Committee discussed the allocation to Behavioral Health Care Services for Criminal Justice and whether there might be an issue regarding supplantation; Dave Kears provided an explanation and will provide a handout with further explanation at the next meeting; the Committee requested that this item be agendized for the next meeting
- The Committee requested a list of audit documents used for program and financial auditing of contracts

- The Committee suggested that program staff come to speak regarding program oversight mechanisms
- The Committee would like written reports from all previously reviewed funding recipients, with presentations from the Alameda County Medical Center and the Bay Area Consortium for Quality Health Care
- Bradley Cleveland suggested that Alameda County Medical Center present to the Oversight Committee in July, following the close of the current fiscal year
- Art Geen motioned to adopt the questions used for FY 04/05 review with the additional question: What would be the impact if Measure A funds were not available?; motion seconded by Ken Ballard; amendments to the motion include:
 - Revision to question 1: What is your agency's overall aggregate budget?
 - Revision to question 5: Describe how Measure A funds were used to help meet the program objectives, including how funds were used to help address health disparities.
 - Revision to question 6: Please list your key accomplishments with respect to Measure A.
 - Revision to question 7: Discuss challenges in obtaining your objectives. Did any objectives change from the previous year? If so, what are they and why did they change?
 - Revision to question 8: How is the impact of Measure A funds measured in achieving your objectives, including expansion and/or maintenance of effort and in addressing health disparities?
 - Additional question: Were Measure A funds used to leverage or used as a match to generate additional funding? If yes, please provide detail including what mechanism was used and how much additional funding was generated.
 - A separate report for each fiscal year (since the Committee will be reviewing both fiscal years 05/06 and 06/07)
 - Motion passed
- The Committee requested that the revised questions be sent (e-mailed) for review and that feedback should be sent to Jennifer Chan; the Committee will work on finalizing the questions and report format at the next meeting

VII. Public Comment

No public comments

VIII. Next Meeting: April 27, 2007, 9-11:30am