Board of Supervisors County of San Mateo

Memo

To: Members, Board of Supervisors

From: Rich Gordon and Adrienne Tissier

Date: March 21, 2005

Re: Recommendation for Appointments to the Mental Health Advisory Board

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that Judith Schutzman be appointed to the Mental Health Board representing the category of Family, Consumer, or Public Citizen. The appointment would be effective immediately and run for a term to conclude on September 30, 2006.

It is recommended that Sharon Roth be appointed to the Mental Health Board representing the category of Family, Consumer, or Public Citizen. The appointment would be effective immediately and run for a term to conclude on September 30, 2007.

BACKGROUND:

Two members of the Mental Health Board, Marianne Maneja and Julie Hoffman, have recently resigned. Both of these individuals represented the category of Family, Consumer, or Public Citizen on the Mental Health Board.

A recruitment was conducted and serving as the Board Sub-Committee for this appointment process, we interviewed two candidates. Members of the Mental Health Board joined us for these interviews. We believe that both would be valuable additions to the Mental Health Board.

Judith Schutzman is a resident of San Carlos with a family member who has been diagnosed with mental illness. Ms. Schutzman recently retired from the San Francisco Department of Public Health where she most recently served in an administrative capacity with the mental health clinics of the City and County of San Francisco.

Sharon Roth is a resident of San Mateo with a family member who has been diagnosed with mental illness. Ms. Roth is a registered nurse who has been active in the NAMI organization. As a representative of NAMI she is actively involved in the planning for crisis intervention training for local law enforcement. When she lived in Santa Clara County she served on the Mental Health Advisory Board there.