

Memo

To: Members, Board of Supervisors
From: Rich Gordon and Rose Jacobs Gibson
Date: April 11, 2006
Re: Appointments to the Mental Health Board

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that Carol Marble and Lawrence Nehring be appointed to the Mental Health Board. Carol Marble is recommended to fill the vacant Family or Consumer position for a term ending September 30, 2009, and Lawrence Nehring is recommended to fill the vacant Consumer position for a term ending September 30th, 2007.

BACKGROUND:

The Mental Health Board is a state-mandated commission charged with oversight of the County's mental health services. The Mental Health Board is authorized at eighteen members. Currently there are two vacancies. These vacancies were advertised and we conducted interviews of applicants. We are recommending the appointment of the following individuals:

Carol Marble is currently employed by Heart & Soul, a consumer-run self-help program, as a peer counselor and advocate. Ms. Marble served as President of the Bayside Middle School, and has been active in the San Mateo-Foster City School District.

Lawrence Nehring is currently a Recreation Activity Leader for the County of San Mateo. Mr. Nehring has served as a mental health volunteer for the Mental Health Association Friendship Center and at the Cordilleras Mental Health Center.