**NAMI –SCC Board Meeting**

**Sashmill Location, 303 Potrero, Santa Cruz**

**March 4, 2013, 6:00 - 7:30 P.M.**

**Minutes**

Call to Order

1. Carol Williamson, President, called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm. Present were Susan Warrens, Don Hilbert, Tina Landino, Carol Williamson, and Melissa Watrous. Absent was Jim Williamson.

Rama Khalsa will step down from the Board while she serves as the interim Director of County Mental Health, to fill in after Suzanne Tavano left, and until a new recruitment is completed.

1. Minutes of Feb. 4, 2013 were approved after correction to item #10, remove the word “on” with insurance”. Approved as moved by Tina, second by Don.
2. Guest Loren Crabb could not attend, but will attend the April meeting.
3. Connections training. This training included Loren Crab, Cyrus Benck, and Corey Milton. Previously trained was Hugh McCormick. Others who were trained but are not active: Gianna Colavin-Bridges and Naomi Fuss.
4. NAMI Walks Kickoff luncheon and Volunteer Celebration. Planning meeting will be at Café Gratitude for our walk committee Susie, Melissa, Lynda, and Rama. Decided to combine volunteer recognition luncheon with our own Walk kick off. On April 16th, 11:30. Expenses for sandwiches and decorations approved, about $300. Tina agreed to make arrangements for sandwiches.
5. Class schedules were announced.
6. Strategic Plan #1, Infrastructure, attracting new board members was discussed. Suggestions: find people with interest in mental health who also have background from legal, personnel, law enforcement Downtown Association. Put request on website.
7. Financial Report was accepted.
8. Grant invitation from Palo Alto Medical Foundation Endowment fund. NAMI SCC was nominated for the $10,000 grant by a graduate of the Family To Family class, who works for PAMG. Nancy Sherrod, Rama, and Carol will work on it.
9. The County has told NAMI they have additional MHSA funds for 13/14. We will apply for up to $15,000, the maximum amount for simple contracting procedures for the County.
10. No new Business
11. Adjourned at 7:30