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SUMMARY OF MEETING, MARCH 21

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Meeting held between community groups and some staff members of the proposed Kitsilano community mental health team.

-Dr. Hugh Parfitt reported on the developments to date, that the plan under consideration was an out-growth of the Home Treatment Services. Joan McDermott, late of Home Treatment, also spoke.

-Team is to work in Kits area

-Main work is to be done with psychiatric nurses with psychiatrists as back-up people

-Discussion ensued over the problems currently facing professionals in the field and the feeling was expressed by those present that non-professional workers are providing and ~~is~~ could continue to provide valuable services. The possibility and desirability of coordinating non-professionals into community programs was discussed.

-It was generally felt that one of the main needs in the Kits area was crisis facilities. This was suggested as a joint project for interested groups and professional workers to take part in. The representatives from MPA were asked to draft a proposal for such facilities.

-Questions were asked as to who was actually funding the Community Teams. At present this is not clear. The group decided to go on meeting in order to hammer out a program and to demonstrate community willingness to take part.

-The next meeting was called for Wed. April 4th, 1:30 p.m. at Kits House.

Present budget suggestions to heavily oriented to medical model

Suggestions from meeting to be Non-power Committee

Non-professional / professional

* Promoting diversity by volunteer activities

Crisis Facilities

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Citizen's Advisory Board.