

**SAN GABRIEL/POMONA VALLEYS
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC.
COMMUNITY RELATIONS/LEGISLATIVE
COMMITTEE MINUTES**

April 11, 2018

The following committee members were present at said meeting:

PRESENT:

Georgina Molina
Gisele Ragusa
Joseph Huang
Natalie Webber
Cindy Tamburello
Donna Hunter
Daniel Rodriguez

STAFF:

Keith Penman, Executive Director
Erika Gomez, Executive Assistant to BOD
Carol Tomblin, Director of Information and Compliance

ABSENT:

Rachel McGrath

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTIONS

The Community Relations/Legislative Committee recommends the following:

- None

ITEMS DISCUSSED

A. CALL TO ORDER:

Georgina Molina, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. A quorum was established.

The minutes from the March 14, 2018 meeting were approved.

M/S/C (Ragusa & Tamburello) The committee approved the minutes.

B. PUBLIC INPUT:

None

C. COMMUNITY OUTREACH MONTHLY REPORT *

Carol Tomblin, Director of Information and Compliance, presented the monthly Outreach Report for March 2018. (please see the detailed report, attached). The following was discussed:

- POS Equity Project Progress Funded

- POS Equity Related Activities
- Family Support/ Training
- Outreach/ Events Participation
- Other major activities of the Compliance and Outreach Department
- Continuation Funding for Equity Projects
- New CBO Equity Projects Funded

Emergency Preparedness Expo – SG/PRC will hold its 7th annual Emergency Preparedness Safety Expo on April 18, 2018 from 10:30am – 1:30pm.

D. LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND OTHER INFORMATION:

Keith Penman, Executive Director, reported on the following:

Intake Data: The data shows that most referrals are made due to a delay in speech in children.

Self Determination: The Waiver application for the Self Determination Program was submitted to Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. CMS has 90 days to take action to either approve the application, deny it or request additional information. SG/PRC has submitted the names of almost 500 individuals. Staff will work on getting more individuals over the age of 40 added to be in compliance. The Local Advisory Committee will meet monthly.

Caseloads Ratio: SG/PRC had a responsibility to submit data to DDS about the caseload ratios. The data showed compliance in 5 out of 6 areas. SG/PRC has the third lowest caseload ratios in the state.

Community Resource Development Fund: The Board will receive training on this topic. Committee members are invited to attend. Staff must get public input of what type of developments are needed in the community. A “Survey Monkey” has been set-up to encourage community input.

Medical Insurance Coverage: Service providers received letter regarding Medical Insurance coverage for individuals residing in Community Care Facilities.

Grassroots Day: A group of people, including Gisele Ragusa, a member of this committee, went Sacramento on Monday to meet with legislators and share with them about the regional center system. Ms. Ragusa shared that she had a very meaningful experience and encouraged the members to participate in the future.

Breach: All Board and committee members have been informed of a breach that occurred at DDS a couple of months ago. 582,000 individuals will be mailed a letter informing them of what happened. A call center has been set-up for questions or concerns that people may have.

**Attached to these minutes.*

*** “Attachments & Announcements” section of Board Packet.*

E. COMMUNITY AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES:

- *Legislative Updates*- there were letters of support from ARCA on the table for the following bills: AB 2994, AB 2623, AB 1041. **
- *Community Recognition Program* –The members were encouraged to nominate an individual or a group or people to be recognized by the Board at the May annual meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Next meeting is scheduled for May 9, 2018 in the Assembly Room, Section C.

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