

SAN GABRIEL/POMONA REGIONAL CENTER

DEVELOPMENTALSERVICES, INC.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Client Services /Advisory Committee

February 27, 2019

A regular meeting of the Client Services/Advisory Committee was held on Wednesday, February 27, 2019. The following committee members were present at said meeting:

PRESENT

Victor Guzman, Chair
Pretti Subramaniam
Mary Soldato
Daniel Clancy
David Grisey
Jenny Needham
Sheila James
Ardena Bartlett

STAFF:

Lucina Galarza
Laura Palma
Elisa Herzog

ABSENT:

Herminio Escalante
Julie Lopez
Shannon Hines

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTIONS

THE CLIENT SERVICES/ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING: None

ITEMS DISCUSSED

A.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson, Victor Guzman called the meeting to order at 6:05-pm
A Quorum was established.

-The minutes were approved as written, James. Clancy

B.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

C.

CLIENT ADVOCATE –Elisa Herzog presented on the following:

- The last Client Training Group meeting was held on January 31, 2019 at the

West Covina library. About 15 individuals were in attendance. The training was provided by Layla Gonzales-Delgado, Manager of Registry Outreach Personal Assistance Services Council (PASC). PASC is committed to improving the IHSS program and enhancing the quality of life for all people who receive and provide In-Home Support Services. The training included the following:

- Provider enrollment and criminal background review
 - A registry referral service to assist individuals with locating suitable homecare workers.
 - Backup programs for IHSS recipients who have an urgent need for a temporary worker.
- The Abilities Expo took place weekend of February 23-24 at the Los Angeles convention center. The expo provided access to hundreds of products and workshops to include:
 - Adaptive climbing
 - Virtual reality
 - Karaoke
 - adaptive gaming

The expo also created more opportunities for collaborations with specific companies targeting our specific population.

- San Gabriel/ Pomona Regional Center will be hosting a workshop on March 5 from 9:00am to 12:00pm and 1:00pm to 4pm for beneficiaries, parents, providers and human services professionals that will focus on key points of Medicare, SSDI and work incentives.
- SG/PRC and Children's Hospital Los Angeles will be hosting the second Breaking Barriers-Developing Possibilities conference on Friday, April 26th for working professionals and Saturday April 26 for clients and families. The conference will address supporting individuals with developmental and mental health needs across their lifespan. Elisa will present Saturday, on the topic of advocacy.
- The 33rd annual Support Conference will be held on October 10th and 11th, 2019 at the Crown Plaza hotel in Sacramento. If interested in being a speaker, you can apply at www.supportedlife.org.
- X-Box now offers newly designed controls for individuals with mobility issues.
- Airlines and disability groups are working together to reduce the number of wheelchairs damaged in air travel.

see flyers and handouts

D. Committee Follow-up – Future training topics

Victor Guzman / Lucina Galarza addressed training topics.

- The committee agreed on the following training topics to be provided:
 - March -Equity Projects / Disparity Reports
 - April - Residential Services
 - May – Residential Options

Special Presentation:

Special Presentation on ABLE Act was presented by Julie Eby McKenzie from State Council (SCDD)

This presentation was an overview of how the individuals we serve can keep their benefits through the ABLE Act.

refer to booklet hand-out for details

ASSOCIATE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

- **Disparity Monies**
 - Approvals received by DDS
- **Self Determination Advisory Committee Meetings & Updates**
 - Train the trainer was conducted on February 25, 2019
 - Orientation to families will offered in the months of March and April 2019.

E. ADJOURN

Chairperson Victor Guzman adjourned the meeting at 6:59 pm.

The next Client Services/Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 27. Meeting will be held in the Assembly Room.