

**SAN GABRIEL/POMONA REGIONAL CENTER
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
(A California Corporation)**

March 27, 2019

ATTENDANCE

The following members of the Board of Director's were present at said meeting:

PRESENT:

Victor Guzman
Preeti Subramaniam
Mary Soldato
Sheila James
Georgina Molina
Penne Fode
Natalie Webber
Julie Chetney
John Randall
Joseph Huang
Gisele Ragusa
Sharon Ehrig
Shannon Hines

STAFF:

Lucina Galarza, Interim Executive
Director
Erika Gomez, Exec. Assistant BOD
Laura Palma, Admin Assistant, QA

ABSENT

Anabel Franco
Daniel Rodriguez

A. CALL TO ORDER:

Joseph Huang, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:18 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None

B. SPECIAL PRESENTATION – DISPARITY DATA

Carol Tomblin, Director of Compliance shared the following information:

- Equity Projects
- Parent Mentor Initiative
- NRCS Navigating Regional Center System Workshops
- Online Based Projects
- Understanding Your Child’s Disability
- ADEPT: Autism Distance Education Parent Training
- Empowering and Outreaching
- Person Centered Conversation
- Parents’ Place Outreaching Specialists
- Critical Issues Forum and Support Groups
- Community Outreaching
- Asian Pediatrician/ LA County Library Workshop
- Community Events Participation
- FY 2018 POS Expenditure Data
- POS Expenditure Data FY 17-18
- Comparison of SG/PRC to General Population
- Comparison of Per Person Expenditures Data FY 15 to FY 18 – Black/African-American Living at Home
- Variance from Average Comparison of Per Person Expenditures Data FY 15 to FY 18 Black/African-American Living at Home
- Review of Changes FY 14-FY 18
- Comparison of Per Person Expenditures Data FY 15 to FY 18 –Hispanic Living at Home
- Variance from Average Comparison of Per Person Expenditures Data FY 15 to FY 18 – Hispanic Living at Home
- Comparison of No POS for All Ages % by Languages FY 15-FY 18
- Comparison of No POS for All Ages % by Languages FY 18

There was opportunity for Community Input.

C. EXECUTIVE/FINANCE COMMITTEE

John Hunt, Chief Financial Officer reported on the following:

Financial Report

Operations – Based on the E-2 contract amendment, the allocation is projected to meet expenditure projections, resulting in a zero-balance remaining in allocation. The operations allocation for fiscal year

- 2018-19 is currently \$28,946,621. For the month of January, staff expended \$2,219,431 and have spent \$16,120,173 year to date, with expenditures remaining of \$12,826,448.
- Family Resource Center –The allocation is projected to meet expenditure projections, resulting in a zero-balance remaining in allocation.
- LDC Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion Program – The program has a current allocation in the amount of \$588,808 with projected expenditures for the year in the amount of \$584,432 which leaves an allocation balance remaining in the amount of \$4,376.
- FDC Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion Program – The current allocation stands at \$502,210 with projected expenditures for the year in the amount \$498,477, resulting in a small allocation balance of \$3,733.
- Community Placement Plan – operations allocation is currently at \$1,833,833. Expenditures for the year are projected to be \$1,771,642 resulting allocation balance of \$62,191.
- Purchase of Service as with Operations – Projections are based on the E-2 contract amendment.
 - Regular Purchase of Services- The allocation is \$222,155,432. For the month of January, staff expended \$18,140,720 and have paid for services in the amount of \$120,182,570 year to date, with projected expenditures and late bills remaining in the amount of \$103,239,020. This results in an allocation shortage in the amount of \$1,266,158 which should be covered in a future amendment.
 - Community Placement Plan - projecting a slight shortage of \$275,519 in Community Placement Plan POS which will be covered in a future allocation.

M/S/C (Fode & Chetney) The committee approved the Financial Report.

Contracts: D-4 and E-2 – At the Executive Finance Committee, staff recommended that the members consider granting approval for the Board President, Joseph Huang, to sign the above-mentioned contracts when they are received. The committee approved the recommendation of the President’s signature on the contracts.

D. COMMUNITY RELATIONS/LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Georgina Molina shared that the committee was presented the Monthly Outreach Report. The committee also covered the following topics: Intake Data, Self Determination, CalFresh, Board Training, and CAL ABLE.

E. CLIENT SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Victor Guzman reported that the committee had a special presentation on POS Expenditure Reports/Equity Projects. The committee also received information on the Disparity money that was received and on Self Determination.

F. VENDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Sharon Ehrig informed the members about the rate study conducted by Berns and Associates. She also shared that the VAC Recognition Breakfast is scheduled for June 6, 2019.

G. STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Gisele Ragusa reported that the committee reviewed SG/PRC's Board recruiting handouts. Staff will make the suggested changes and finalize it. The committee is also focusing on finalizing the Strategic Timeline for the Board. Lastly, Ms. Ragusa talked about the ongoing recruiting efforts that the committee are engaged in.

H. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Lucina Galarza, Interim Executive Director, and staff reported on the following:

- Budget Subcommittees- There was an Assembly Budget Subcommittee meeting on March 6, 2019 to discuss funding issues related to the Department of Developmental Services.
- Self Determination – on February 25, 2019 DDS staff provided “Train the Trainer” training to members of the Local Advisory Committee and key personnel at the regional center. The 95 families and individuals chosen for the SDP have been invited to trainings that will be held in March and April 2019. Staff was also provided with two additional “directives” from DDS. These directives were shared with the Local Advisory Committee, and the Board.
- Board Composition – DDS responded to SG/PRC Board Composition survey. The response indicated that SG/PRC did not meet the required Board composition for its Asian and Latino communities. Staff submitted a response to the Department reporting that the Board would be making efforts to inform the community about how to apply to be Board members.
- Community Placement Plan - DDS informed SG/PRC that it was approved for two projects through its Community Placement Plan (CPP) and one project through the Community Resource Development Plan (CRDP). The CPP Projects include two 2-bed Enhance Behavioral Support Homes. The CRDP Project is for the enhancement of our Dental Desensitization Program.
- Bridge Funding - Although Bridge Funding was approved in November

2018, this will not be provided to the selected community-based day programs and community care facilities until May 2019. The Bridge Funding will provide approximately a 2 % increase for a 12 month period of time.

- Rate Study - DDS contracted with the firm of Burns & Associates Inc., a national health policy consulting firm, to complete a rate study of regional center vendor rates. DDS must submit to the California legislature the rate study on the provision of services. The rate study was submitted on March 15, 2019.
- Cal Fresh - Beginning in June 2019, all SSI recipients will qualify for Cal Fresh. As part of the outreach to our system, DDS has entered into an agreement so that Regional Centers can assist with outreach and the application process. Each regional center will be provided monies to accomplish this outreach and assistance.
- CRDP – DDS has not released the timelines. However, the survey has ben posted on the agency’s website. The survey is to gather information about what services people want to see developed. As of today, 54 people have taken it.

ADJOURNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Personnel Issue

Next meeting on Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 7:15 p.m.

BOARD MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 27, 2019 MEETING

Submitted by:



Gisele Ragusa, Board Treasurer (FY 18/19)

10/03/19

Date

