

**SAN GABRIEL/POMONA VALLEYS  
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC.  
Executive/Finance Committee Meeting DRAFT MINUTES**

**October 9, 2019**

**PRESENT**

Gisele Ragusa, President  
Julie Chetney, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP  
Mary Soldato, Treasurer  
Daniel Rodriguez, Director  
Anabel Franco, Secretary  
Natalie Webber, Director

**STAFF:**

Anthony Hill, Executive Director  
Lucina Galarza, Interim Executive  
Director  
Tim Travis, Director of Federal  
Revenues and Clinical  
Erika Gomez, Exec. Assistant – BOD  
Laura Palma, Admin. Assistant

**ABSENT:**

Joseph Huang, Immediate Past  
President (LOA)  
Sheila James, 1<sup>st</sup> VP

**RECOMMENDED ACTIONS**

**THE EXECUTIVE/FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

None

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**ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE/FINANCE COMMITTEE  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 20.04 OF THE BYLAWS**

None

**ITEMS DISCUSSED**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Gisele Ragusa, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:18 pm. A quorum was established.

The committee reviewed and approved the minutes from September 11, 2019.

**(M/S/C Chetney & Soldato)**

**Abstain: Rodriguez & Franco**

**B. PUBLIC INPUT:**

None

**C. CONTRACT REVIEW**

Merakey – Presented by Dara Mikesell, Associate Director of Community Services.

The Board reviewed a contract based on their policy for contracts over \$250,000.

**M/S/C (Soldato & Webber) The committee approved the Contract.**

**D. BOARD OVERVIEW**

Board President Gisele Ragusa reported on the following:

- Identification and discussion of key Board meeting discussion topics – The Board prioritized the list of topics they would like to discuss at their last Board meeting.
- Agenda items for 11/13/2019 Executive Finance Committee Meeting
  - Discussion of SG/PRC Employee Benefits
  - Discuss Bylaws input from all committees
- Agenda items for 10/23/2019 Board meeting training
  - POS Policy
  - Legacy Planning Training

**E. INFORMATION:**

Anthony Hill, Executive Director, reported the following:

**Self Determination** – On October 8, 2019, Mr. Hill and Lucina Galarza, Director of Client Services, met with a parent to discuss her concerns regarding procedural issues. Following the meeting with the parent they attended the Advisory Committee meeting and the “meet and greet” that was held beforehand. The following information was discussed:

- Regional centers are having a drop of members that want to participate in the program.
- The Department of Developmental Disabilities (DDS), will do another targeted drawing that will look at parents on the Advisory

*\*Please see attached.*

*\*\* Please see “Attachments & Announcements” section.*

Committee and siblings of individuals that are participating in the program. DDS will also look at individuals over the age of 42.

- Parents are concerned about the following:
  - Tax liability
  - Calculating budget tool is confusing
  - Audit findings
  - Absence and unavailability of providers
- DDS put together a subgroup to focus on the budget tool and allowable expenses.

**OPS Survey-** ARCA conducted this survey to try to understand what it would cost to operate regional centers if funded accordantly by the financial standards of this current time. Every regional center was asked to submit their costs. A presentation will be developed and presented to help impact the upcoming budget. Some of the results of the survey are as follows:

- The system needs 1.8 billion dollars to fix the problems it faces
- 740 more Service Coordinators are needed

**Regional Center Transparency** – Mr. Hill informed the committee that he took an audit of SG/PRC’s website and is working with staff to update it and maintain its compliance of information.

### **MEETING ADJOURNED**

The next regular meeting will be held on November 13, 2019 at 7:15 p.m.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The committee had an Executive Session regarding a client matter.

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