

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

**October 9, 2019**

The following committee members were present at said meeting:

**PRESENT**

Daniel Rodriguez (Chair)  
Natalie Webber  
Georgina Molina  
Rachel McGrath  
Gisele Ragusa  
Louis Jones  
Penne Fode

**STAFF:**

Anthony Hill, Executive Director  
Lucina Galarza, Director of Client Services  
Tim Travis, Director of Federal Revenues  
and Clinical  
Carol Tomblin, Director of Compliance  
Erika Gomez, Executive Assistant -BOD  
Laura Palma, Administrative Assistant

**ABSENT:**

Joseph Huang, LOA

**RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTIONS**

**The Community Relations/Legislative Committee recommends the following:**

None

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**ITEMS DISCUSSED**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Daniel Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 6:08pm. A Quorum was established.

The minutes from September 11, 2019 were approved with the correction of Natalie and Louise Webber's last name.

**M/S/C (Jones & Webber) The committee approved the minutes.**

A. **PUBLIC INPUT**

None

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH MONTHLY REPORT\***

Carol Tomblin, Director of Compliance, presented the monthly Outreach Report. Mrs. Tomblin informed that some information from one of the Community Outreach Specialists was missing and it will be included in next month's report. The Community Outreach Specialist have focused on the following projects:

- New Disparity Grant Projects FY 18-19
- Progress/Status of Continuing POS Equity Projects Funded by DD Disparity Grants
- Other Equity Related Activities non-supported with Disparity Grant Funds
- Family Support/ Training
- Outreach/ Events Participation
- Other major activities of the Compliance and Outreach Department

Lastly, Mrs. Tomblin informed the members of "The Great Shakeout," which will take place on October 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:17am. Everyone was encouraged to participate in the preparation drill.

**LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND OTHER INFORMATION**

Anthony Hill, Executive Director, reported on the following:

**Review of Intake** - The committee reviewed the Intake data provided. Mr. Hill shared there was an increase in referrals of family and friends.

**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 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.

**Review of Bills**

- *AB 5 – Independent Contractors* – This bill will be under legislation. Regional Centers will be responsible for the correct and clear categorization of workers. Regional centers will have to use this “ABC Test” when using the services of Independent Contractors:
  - A. The worker is free from the control and direction of the hiring entity in connection with the performance of the work, both under the contract for the performance of the work and in fact.
  - B. The worker performs work that is outside the usual course of the hiring entity's business.
  - C. The worker is customarily engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, or business of the same nature as the work performed.
- *AB 1643 – Developmental Services: Fair Hearings* - This bill would require regional centers to provide adequate notice to the individuals served if the regional center makes specified decisions relating to services.

**COMMUNITY AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES:**

*Annual Golf Tournament* – The 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Richard D. Davis Foundation Golf Tournament is scheduled for October 7, 2019.

*Review of Health Fair for Adults* – SG/PRC held a Health and Wellness Fair for Adults on September 26, 2019. This event was designed for adult clients. There were healthy cooking demonstrations, health and dental vision screenings and exercise instruction.

*End of the year calendar* – This committee will not meet in December.

*Bylaws* – The Bylaws committee will start to work on the revision of the Board Bylaws and would like input from each committee. Feedback can be provided to Gisele Ragusa, Board President.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Next meeting is on for November 13, 2019 in the Assembly Room, Section C.