

**SAN GABRIEL/POMONA REGIONAL CENTER
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC.**

Minutes of the Meeting of the

Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families

April 24, 2024

A regular meeting of the Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families was held on Wednesday, April 24, 2024. The following committee members were present at said meeting:

PRESENT

Jaye Dixit, Chair
Phillip Loi, Co-Chair
Mary Soldato
Richard Centeno
Sam Yi
Preeti Subramaniam

ABSENT:

Herminio Escalante
Jessica Porter (LOA)
Flor Tolley

GUESTS:

Nancy Bunker
Susan Stroebel
Nada Saleh
Wendy Lai

STAFF:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director
Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director
Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services
Tim Travis, Associate Director of Community Services
Yaned Busch, Manager, Specialized Services
Linh Lee, Employment Specialist
Jessie Romero, Manager, Specialized Services
Elba Moreno, Department Assistant, Communications
Erika Gomez, Liaison to the Board of Directors and the Richard D. Davis Foundation

ITEMS DISCUSSED

CALL TO ORDER

Jaye Dixit, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm. A quorum was established.

- The minutes from the March 27, 2024, meeting were reviewed and approved.

M/S/C (Subramaniam & Loi) The minutes from the meeting were approved by the committee.

PUBLIC INPUT – None

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Service Providers, Nancy Bunker, and Susan Stroebel, announced plans to hold a rally to “Keep the Promise” to the Lanterman Act, specific to the uninterrupted implementation of disability service provider rate increases, along with unfunded mandates and rising costs of doing business, while being committed to providing quality services. Service providers and staff are in the process of securing legislative support and aiming to hold the rally on Friday May 31st – more details to come.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – Employment by Linh Lee, Employment Specialist

The following was discussed:

- Wage Reporting
- Paid Internship Program
- CIE Incentive Program
- Activities to Support Employment Measures

Future Training Topics:

- May 22, 2024 – Service Coordinator and Regional Center Operations
- June 26 - HCBS Final Rule Implementation

Updates and Information by SG/PRC Staff

- Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director, and Director of Community Services provided the following updates:
 - Staff must complete 300 visits by the end of July to ensure implementation of HCBS. Programs are being developed with HCBS partners for individuals served, their families and service providers. There are plans to have training for families regarding HCBS. These will be held in person and as webinars and will be done in the threshold languages.
 - With the retirement of Tricia Vannucci, SG/PRC is recruiting to fill the position of Associate Director of Adult and Residential Services.
 - The Republic of South Korean government employees were on-site at SG/PRC on April 24, 2024, as part of their visit on benchmarking the California Regional Center system and services for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families.
 - Career Pathway Navigator - All individuals using this service will first develop a Person-Centered Career Plan (PCCP) with a Career Pathway Navigator (CPN). The plan includes the individuals career goal or interests, strengths, challenges and barriers, regional center and generic services and

- supports, short term milestones, action steps, and timeline.
- SG/PRC hosted its Annual Dance for Individuals Served: A Night in “Hollywood” Spring Dance on Friday April 12, 2024, coordinated by the intern program with Azusa Pacific University. The event was for individuals served 18+ years and older. This event was a lot of fun for everyone who attended, including staff who volunteered to help.
 - SG/PRC hosted its 3rd Annual Sirens of Silence Event on April 13, 2024, from where individuals served, and their families got the opportunity to meet with first responders. The event was well attended by over 430 people.
 - SG/PRC in collaboration with Autism Highway Chalk Festival, the city of Pomona and the Richard D. Davis Foundation, held a fun festival that featured artists, music, and spontaneous performances on Saturday, April 13, 2024. The event was a huge success.
 - Staff reported on the following regarding Self Determination:
 - There are currently 165 individuals enrolled.
 - The SDP Team
 - ✓ Prepared for SG/PRC’s first SDP audit
 - ✓ develops and promotes training opportunities to further enhance the implementation of SDP for all individuals served by SG/PRC
 - ✓ aims to bridge any disparities for underserved communities.
 - ✓ offers training and support groups in English, Spanish, Chinese, American Sign Language (ASL), and other languages, as needed.
 - ✓ continues to collaborate with the Local Voluntary Advisory Committee (LVAC) to develop training opportunities and support groups to further enhance the implementation of SDP.

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ADJOURN

Chair, Jaye Dixit adjourned the meeting.

The next Advisory Committee for Individuals Served and Their Families meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 22, 2024, via videoconference at 6 P.M.