

IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES/PUBLIC AUTHORITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
November 3, 2023, 12:45 PM

COC- County Operations Center
5560 Overland Ave
1st Floor, Room 172
San Diego, CA 92123

Zoom Meeting:
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 Meeting ID: 859 707 8275
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I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 12:58 PM.			
A. Attendance			
Members		Excused Members	Guests
Nadine Branch Erica McClure Angela Vittucci Ethel Larkins	Nicanora Montenegro Yolanda Ivy		Ronald Bradford Charles Kirtley Jacqueline Jackson Andrea Christopher
Absent	AIS/IHSS Staff	IHSS Public Authority	
	Charity Lerma Julie Lara Sandra Ramos Xayeli Castillo Jamie David Castro	Thomas H. Johnson Ana Molina	Ellie Amirora Carmen Oyola Carolina
Item	Outcome/Discussion		Action Items
II. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM: Done.			
III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Done.			
IV. INTRODUCTIONS: Everyone in attendance introduced themselves.			
V. MEETING CODE OF CONDUCT REVIEW: Ethel reviewed the IHSS/PA Advisory Committee Meeting Code of Conduct.			
VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Thomas requested that the agenda be reordered to allow the Public Authority report to go first due to a schedule commitment. Nadine requested approval for the change. Ethel motioned to approve. Erica seconded it. Motion carried.			
VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Nadine asked for approval of the minutes. Yolanda motioned to approve. Erica seconded it. Motion carried.			
IX. CHAIR REPORT: Nadine reported that she met with the California Commission on Disability Access, and they discussed website accessibility. Nadine asked Thomas about website accessibility. He said the website would eventually be updates. Nadine said that she attended the Public Authority IHSS Provider Recognition event on 11/2/2023 as a guest speaker on behalf of the Advisory Committee. Nadine reminded the members that the "CICA in the South Meeting" would take place on 11/14/2023 at 1 PM.			

X. PRESENTATIONS (discussion and possible action): Access to Independence Services and Programs Presentation by Andrea Christopher – Long Term Services and Support Coordinator (LTSS). Andrea provided the committee with an overview of the services offered by Access to Independence. Services offered include benefit counseling to assist individuals applying for services and setting up independent living plans. There are no income limits to request services, Individuals with disabilities and those who can benefit from services are eligible and there are no fees for services. Andrea said she was the workshop coordinator. Access to Independence has partnered with Molina Healthcare and they will have workshops in December including topics such as getting involved in the community and conflict resolution.

XI. REPORTS

A. Public Authority	Thomas reported that the Public Authority will be working with Homebridge to offer more in-person training for providers. He said he would be giving a presentation with Nadine at the CICA meeting on 11/14/2023. Thomas reviewed the monthly fiscal report with the committee. He reminded members that there will be an appreciation luncheon for them at next month's meeting on 12/8/2023.	
B. Membership Committee	Julie reported that the committee has vacancies for two consumer members and one provider member. She noted that some members have had some technical issues completing their ethics training and that she plans to have an in-person ethics training session before the January IHSS PA Advisory Committee meeting.	
C. IHSS	Charity reported that the IHSS Academy has wrapped up, and they trained 42 social workers. She announced to the committee that Naomi Chavez is the new acting director of Aging and Independence Services (AIS). Charity introduced social work supervisors Xayeli Castillo and Sandra Ramos, and AIS Admin Secretary Jamie David Castillo.	
D. AIS Council	Ethel reported that she attended the AIS Advisory Council in September which is National Preparedness Month- Personal Disaster Plan booklets were made available for attendees. She said she also attended the AIS Council Meeting on 10/9/2023 Meeting, they had Guest Speakers, Kate Kinnamont, Associate Executive Director, and JoeAnn Randall, Coordinator of Intake Services, both from the Regional Center. The topic was "Civil Rights for The Disabled",. She said she met with County Board President Nora Vargas District on 10/26/2023 along with AIS Chair Stephen Huber. She said she attended the Nutrition Subcommittee meeting on 10/4/2023 held at Park de LA Cruz Community Center, 3901 Landis Street located in Mid City, served lunch to seniors and sent them home with breakfast for the next day. They also provided lunches to the deaf and a room where they can sign and communicate with each other, there were approximately 20 young people there.	
E. Community Report	Nicanora reported that there was a rally from 10/27/2023 to 10/28/2023 in Sacramento to convince Governor Newsom to sign SB686 which was vetoed. She said there will be a Self-Determination Conference on 11/9/2023.	
F. CICA	Nadine reported that she attended the last CICA Meeting in October. They discussed the challenges around committee meetings due to the Brown Act. Nadine reviewed the bills that are being backed by CICA.	

	Nadine reminded members that there will be a CICA Southern Region Meeting on 11/14/2023 via Zoom.
<p>XII. OLD BUSINESS (discussion and possible action):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Committee Budget – tabled. B. Bring the California State Council for Developmental Disabilities (SDCDD), San Diego Regional Center (SDRC), and Home Community Base Services (HCBS) to the IHSS/PA Advisory Committee table on an ongoing basis. – An email was sent out to potential participants. 	
<p>XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT: A member of the public requested a copy of the minutes in Spanish and thanked the committee for providing valuable information.</p>	
<p>XV. MEMBER COMMENT: None.</p>	
<p>XVI. NEXT MEETING AGENDA: 12/8/2023</p>	
<p>XVII. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 PM Minutes submitted respectfully by Ana Molina and Thomas H. Johnson</p>	