

IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES/PUBLIC AUTHORITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
January 12, 2024, 12:45 PM

South Region Live Well Center
401 Mile of Cars Way
2nd Floor, Training Room 2086
National City, CA 91950

Zoom Meeting:

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I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 12:47 PM.			
A. Attendance			
Members		Excused Members	Guests
Nadine Branch Erica McClure Angela Vittucci Ethel Larkins	Nicanora Montenegro Yolanda Ivy Rissa Chavez		Ronald Bradford Smith Sirisakorn Kate Kinnamont - SDRC
Absent	AIS/IHSS Staff	IHSS Public Authority	Guest – via Zoom
	Julie Lara Gilberto Contreras Sara Fuentes Ann Rossi	Thomas H. Johnson Ana Molina Elisia Garcia	Charles Kirtley Violet Mundo Melissa Barling Oscar Velasquez Tanika Edwards Jacqueline Penhos Devin Devero Judith Benson-Wagner Trang Pham - UDW
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: Nicanora reviewed the IHSS/PA Advisory Committee Meeting Code of Conduct.			
VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Yolanda motioned to approve the agenda. Ethel seconded it. Motion carried.			
VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Nicanora motioned to approve. Rissa seconded it. Motion carried.			
IX. CHAIR REPORT: Nadine Thanked everyone for their hard work this past year. She informed the committee that she is in the process of finding speakers will legal expertise around Power of Attorney and Conservatorships.			
X. PRESENTATIONS (discussion and possible action): No Presenter.			

XI. REPORTS	
A. AIS	Ethel reported that the AIS Council met in December 2023 and January 2024. She said there was a presentation regarding the Brown Act. She thanked IHSS for providing the opportunity to take an in-person ethics training course. She said Alzheimer's San Diego presented in January. They explained that there is a need for specialized dental services for individuals with Alzheimer's and dementia. Currently, only one dentist in San Diego County is trained to perform procedures on those individuals. She said the nutrition committee will continue going to the senior centers to help them set up meal plans and talk about some of the other programs they might offer at those centers. She said isolation is a big issue, and they want seniors to have a community.
B. Membership Committee	Julie reported that everyone is up-to-date on their ethics training. There are three vacancies on the committee, two for consumers and one for a provider.
C. IHSS	Julie reported that eight new social workers are working out of the Overland location. She said recruitment is open and once it closes they will be hiring new social workers in February. Social work supervisors Sara Fuentes, Gilbert Contreras, and Ann Rossi introduced themselves to the committee and the meeting participants.
D. Community Report	Nicanora reported that on 12/10/2024, the Filipino American Association for Developmental Disabilities had a holiday party. She said there was music and gifts. She stated that Kate Kinnamon from the San Diego Regional Center was in attendance. Nicanora reported that the Grandparent Connections Network also had an event where the grandparents and the children received gifts.
E. UDW	UDW reported they continue to support the community in San Diego and North County. Pilipino Workers Center San Diego (PWC) and UDW are working in partnership at a new joint office in North County.
F. CICA	Nadine said CICA went dark in December, therefore she had nothing to report. She said the CICA Statewide meeting will be held on 1/17/2024.
G. Public Authority	Thomas reported that provider wages increased to \$18.50 per hour in the new year. He reported that Career Pathways ends on 9/30/2024 and that registration is available through the Public Authority website. He said there is a steady increase in Back-up Provider Services (BUPS) referrals, with 62 matched clients in October, 76 matched clients in November, and 85 in December. Thomas said they are on the cusp of completing two letters of understanding with UDW regarding voluntary badges for providers and payments to union stewards. Financial Report: Thomas reviewed the financial report with the committee. He discussed the potential increase in stipends and potential future expenditures.

XII. OLD BUSINESS (discussion and possible action):

- A. Committee Budget** – Erica said there was nothing to report, she is currently gathering more information.
- 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.** – Ana said she sent a follow-up request and is working on scheduling a meeting with the SDRC. The committee welcomed Kate Kinnamon to the meeting.
- C. Discussion to Increase Stipends** – The committee decided that increasing the stipends would deplete most of their budget, therefore they will table those discussions. They discussed other ways in which to make use of committee funds, such as supplies and event registration fees.
- D. 2023-2024 Goals Review** – The committee reviewed their goals. The committee said they would like to have more training on advocacy and legislation.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS (discussion and possible action):

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT: A member of the public asked that if the committee does not spend the funds, does it affect how much they are awarded in the future? The committee answered yes.

XV. MEMBER COMMENT: Erica said she is coordinating a partnership with Los Angeles to talk about the committee budget. She thanked Thomas for making that connection and said they met on 1/4/2024. Erica also added that she has a contact for the Power of Attorney and Conservatorship discussion. She said the Martin Luther King Jr. Day Parade is on 1/14/2024, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. She also suggested moving the January meeting next year so that members can attend the Friday Martin Luther King Jr. events which includes the annual breakfast.

XVI. NEXT MEETING AGENDA: 2/9/2024

XVII. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 2:26 PM

Minutes prepared by Ana Molina, Elisia Garcia & Thomas H. Johnson.