

COMMUNITY SERVICES AGENCY

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STANISLAUS COUNTY IHSS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

5/17/02

Committee Members Present: Jeff Lambaren Kenny Brown Ora Scruggs Madelyn Amaral Connie Muller Rose Martin

Committee Members Absent: Dwight Bateman Bonnie Cyphers

Toni Hector Jose Acosta

IHSS Staff Present: Jan Holden Paul Birmingham Larry Baptista

CSA Staff Present: Tom Snow

OPENING REMARKS by CHAIRMAN JEFF LAMBAREN

- Meeting called to order at 1:14 p.m.
- Announcement made allowing for public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Charlotte Herron – United Domestic Workers

• Thanked the committee for all their hard work and appreciated the trip to San Francisco Public Authority.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

• May 17, 2002 minutes: Motion M/S/A to accept minutes with no corrections.

BUDGET UPDATE by Paul Birmingham

- On May 15, 2002, on various internet sites, the governor posted the main revise of the proposed state budget.
- The cuts in costs were very significant for social services.
- There appears to be a 20% reduction in the amount of money for administration for IHSS.
- Sales tax revenues should have triggered a \$1.00 increase in the PA rate this year but due to the large overall budget shortfall, this increase will not happen.
- Schools and prisons benefited from the latest budget update.
- There is a hiring freeze at the County's Mental Health Department.
- The governor is proposing to not allow the cost of living increase in the SSI program.



COMMUNITY FOCUS GROUPS - Jan Holden/Larry Baptista

- Larry Baptista finished getting ads for local newspapers for the forums.
- Flyers will also be mailed out to providers and recipients.
- Delivered letter to BOS inviting them to the forums.
- Kenny Brown, Ora Scruggs, and Connie Muller will be present at the Turlock community forum.
- Larry Baptista will attend meeting to take minutes.

REVIEW OF AB 1682 AND THE OPTIONS AVAILABLE UNDER AB 1682 – Jan Holden

- Handed out binder containing information AB 1682 that Alan Stolmack presented at the previous meeting.
- Jan Holden reviewed the binder with the committee as well as the information and options available under AB 1682.
- Jan Holden will present 2 cost models at the next meeting. A public Authority and County administered IP model with three different rates \$6.95/hr., \$7.11/hr. and one at \$7.50/hr.
- Jan Holden asked Doreen Ott to also do a mixed mode that might have a public authority with a small contract or small homemaker scenario with the same rates.
- Jan Holden also plans to have some graphs enlarged for the committee to view.

TERM LIMITS FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Committee members drew term limits based on either two or three year terms with an option to extend at the end of the term if approved by the Board of Supervisors.
- Committee members term limits are as listed:
 - ➤ Madelyn Amaral 3 years
 - ➤ Dwight Bateman 2 years
 - ➤ Kenny Brown 3 years
 - ➤ Rose Martin 2 years
 - ➤ Ora Scruggs 2 years
 - ➤ Connie Muller 3 years
 - ➤ Jose Acosta 3 years
- Providers Toni Hector and Bonnie Cyphers did not have term limits set due to their absence.

OUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- Jeff Lambaren asked the committee to send Alan Stolmack a Thank-you gift and letter for his presentation to the committee on May 10, 2002, i.e. County polo shirt.
- The committee will meet every week until July 1st and then reconvene on the regular schedule of every 2nd and 4th Friday of every month.
- Jeff Lambaren will be absent for the next three committee meetings.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING