

COMMUNITY SERVICES AGENCY

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STANISLAUS COUNTY IHSS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

09/27/02

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

Rose Martin Comme Maine

Committee Members Absent: Toni Hector Bonnie Cyphers Dwight Bateman

Jose Acosta Ora Scruggs

IHSS Staff Present: Jan Holden Paul Birmingham Larry Baptista

CSA Staff Present: Ted Martin Doreen Ott

OPENING REMARKS by CHAIRMAN JEFF LAMBAREN

- Meeting called to order at 1:15 p.m.
- Announcement made allowing for public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

• No public comment presented.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

• September 13, 2002 minutes: Motion M/S/A to accept minutes with no corrections.

BUDGET UPDATE by Paul Birmingham

- The budget is okay and all staff is in place.
- Public Health Nurses will all be in place for one more year.
- One Public Health Nurse has moved from MSSP to IHSS because of the budget.
- Madelyn Amaral discussed importance of finding a way to continue to fund nurses in the IHSS program.
- Paul Birmingham discussed the U.S. Supreme Court's Olmstead decision as one factor that could increase the cost of the IHSS program.



• The Olmstead decision requires states to make community living opportunities available for persons who are living in institutions if the person's physician determines that community care is appropriate, the person wants to live in the community and the placement can be reasonably accommodated.

MEMBERSHIP/BYLAWS UPDATE

- Passed out copies of the bylaws draft with no mission statement included.
- Jeff Lambaren asked that CSA staff compose and send a letter to frequently absent committee members regarding the new bylaws on absenteeism. The letter should say the committee has missed their participation, but the committee will act upon the new bylaws and request their removal from the committee if they continue to miss meetings. Kenny Brown requested a copy of the bylaws be included with the letter. Jeff Lambaren will sign the letters.
- Jan Holden stated on the bylaws draft that Section 3, line C, should be stricken. Committee approved and CSA staff to make change.
- Motion: M/S/A to accept the bylaws operating procedures for the IHSS Advisory Committee.

REVIEW OF BOARD COPIES OF THE "EMPLOYER OF RECORD" RECOMMENDATION

- Passed out copies of the committee's recommendation. Committee reviewed changes on recommendation draft.
- Jeff Lambaren had copies of the draft Board agenda item to hand out and review.

PREPARATIONS FOR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING

- Committee agreed on a Board of Supervisor's meeting for Tuesday, October 8, 2002 at 9:00am.
- Gerry Caviness would start the presentation, followed by Jeff Lambaren. Madelyn Amaral felt that she could address the Board on how helpful the CSA staff had been. Jeff encouraged each committee member to address the Board with their own perspective. All committee members should be introduced.
- CSA staff will call committee members to remind them about the Board of Supervisors meeting and find out who will need transportation provided.
- Paul Birmingham thanked the committee for considering the budget when coming to the decision of the recommendation.

UPDATE HOMEMAKER MODE

• The committee's recommendation has 8 homemakers but the Board agenda item recommendation has 4 homemakers. Jeff Lambaren said this was related to budget constraint, and what CSA could support.

FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF PUBLIC AUTHORITY

• Committee decided to wait until next meeting to discuss this item.

RETREAT

- Jan Holden spoke with Linda Macy and said that the committee could not have a meeting without the public attending. She suggested having a special meeting and then posting an agenda regarding a retreat.
- Committee directed CSA staff to start looking for time and locations for a retreat luncheon.
- The Committee suggested sometime in the beginning of next year in January possibly.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- Madelyn Amaral asked Paul Birmingham if insurance would cost \$60,000 like earlier stated? Paul said that it was just an estimate and he did not anticipate it costing that much.
- Connie Muller asked Paul Birmingham if SSI cuts went through? Paul Birmingham stated he thought the SSI cuts were in place. Doreen Ott had a copy of budget information which indicated that SSI was not cut but that the increases were going to be split, half in January 2003 and half in June 2003.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• None were presented

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Committee membership
- Review of Board of Supervisor's Meeting
- Future consideration of Public Authority
- Retreat

Meeting adjourned @ 2:28 p.m. Larry Baptista, Recorder