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# STANISLAUS COUNTY IHSS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

04/08/05

Committee Members Present:

Jose Acosta	Madelyn Amaral	Dwight Bateman
Kenny Brown	Mary Burch	Rose Martin
Connie Muller	Ora Scruggs	Linda White

Committee Members Absent:

\*George Sharp

IHSS Staff Present:

Jeff Lambaren	Maria Childers	Robert Taylor
Veronica Melgoza		

*\*Advance notice given.*

**OPENING REMARKS by Kenny Brown**

- Meeting called to order at 1:12

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

- None were presented

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

- March 11, 2005 minutes: Motion M/S/A to accept minutes.

**PUBLIC AUTHORITY**

- Maria Childers announced that Jeff does now have his tax ID#
- Jeff Lambaren announced that they made their 1<sup>st</sup> payment to UDW
- It was estimated that 685 would be eligible for benefits and at last count 345 had signed up
- Providers have until the 15<sup>th</sup> of April to sign up and then they have to wait until next month to sign up
- Pacific Care - \$20.00 Co-Payment, \$20.00 Prescription Costs, \$40.00 Specialty, members have a \$20.00 monthly premium
- Lease agreement is on the agenda for the Board of Supervisor's next meeting



- Address for Public Authority is 305 Downey Street,
- Positions will be posted in the newspaper
- IHSSAC may start having meetings at the Public Authority Office.

### **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

- Dwight announced that the visit to the Capitol was very successful. The Assembly has decided not to pass the Governors cuts, putting the providers wage back to minimum wage. It still needs to go through the Senate.
- Alert out right now, another assisted suicide bill-identical to Oregon assisted suicide bill, it has loopholes in it. It is a personal choice issue.
- Assisted Suicide and Right To Life, two very different issues
- Dwight Bateman announced that Governor backed off the Retirement Program

### **IHSS WEB PAGE**

- Jeff Lambaren announced that the web page is up
- Madelyn Amaral suggested we add a link to San Francisco resource booklet
- There is a link to UDW
- Jeff Lambaren suggested we list upcoming events for seniors and the disabled
- Dwight Bateman is going to have the web page tested

### **BACKGROUND CHECKS UPDATE**

- One of the functions of the Public Authority is to do Background Checks

### **DOCUMENTS IN OTHER LANGUAGES – STATISTICS**

- Robert Taylor announced that we have 4,748 coded for languages
- Highest is Spanish with 7%, these are people who have requested documents in Spanish

### **ANNUAL REPORT**

- Kenny Brown announced that report would hopefully be ready for release in mid May
- Committee will take pictures at next meeting on April 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Mary Burch, newest member will provide her bio
- Kenny will need latest statistics
- Jeff Lambaren will write an article of Public Authority and benefits
- Public Authority phone will be on the back of the report
- Kenny Brown stated that he still needs about 3 page length articles
- Empty space will be discussed at next meeting

### **GENERAL UPDATE**

- Kenny Brown introduced Mary Burch, our new member
- Marica Childers announced that the State will be sending a letter regarding the waiver to recipients that will be eligible for the waiver.
- Jeff Lambaren suggested the committee do another survey, it needs to be done by June 30<sup>th</sup>
- Jeff Lambaren will get information from Strategic Marketing and committee will discuss it at the next meeting

Meeting Adjourned @ 2:48 PM  
Veronica Melgoza, Recorder