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STANISLAUS COUNTY IHSS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

05/13/05

Committee Members Present:

Jose AcostaMadelyn AmaralDwight BatemanKenny BrownMary BurchRose MartinOra ScruggsGeorge SharpLinda White

Committee Members Absent: *Connie Muller

IHSS Staff Present: Jeff Lambaren Robert Taylor Egon Stammler Veronica Melgoza

OPENING REMARKS by Kenny Brown

• Meeting called to order at 1:10

PUBLIC COMMENT

None were presented

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

• April 22, 2005 minutes: Motion M/S/A to accept minutes.

PUBLIC AUTHORITY

- Jeff Lambaren passed around pictures of the Public Authority Office.
- Jeff Lambaren stated that he took a field trip to the San Joaquin Public Authority, to see how they operate.
- They use the registry /health benefits software that we are looking into using and picked up the forms they use to send out to providers.
- Jeff Lambaren also passed out the newsletter that San Joaquin County Public Authority puts out.
- San Joaquin County gives everyone that signs up a handbook, lots of information on being a caregiver.



^{*}Advance notice given.

- Jeff met with Center for Senior Employment, will remain with them through the rest of the calendar year while the Public Authority becomes operational. The beginning of the new calendar year the Public Authority plans to have the new provider registry program operational.
- We may continue with Senior Employment for their provider training, we are discussing that now.
- Jeff Lambaren passed out some Mission Statement and Vision Statements for the Public Authority. Everyone can pick the two they like best.
- Jeff also passed out a logo that we might choose to use for the Public Authority.
- Jeff Lambaren announced that he got approval for the committee members, their caregivers and clients to attend the upcoming IHSS conference in Sacramento.
- The trip will be paid for with Advisory Committee money
- Committee Members will make their own transportation arrangements. Members will be reimbursed for mileage in accordance with County travel policy.

UNION UPDATE

- Jeff Lambaren attended a meeting with UDW, they are getting a new director
- Labor management committee, improving training etc.
- MOU specified that the Union can have shop stewards and senior shop stewards, they have not acted on that yet.
- Jeff Lambaren passed out a flyer for Union members to get tickets for the Modesto Nuts baseball team

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

- George Sharp announced that the bill "Money follows the person" they are starting to react on that now. They are going to start having committee meetings in DC.
- Jeff Lambaren announced that AB 1664 is related to elder & Dependent Adult Abuse, this would weaken legislation specifically, exempt financial institutions on reporting abuse. This is to say that abuse does not have to be reported.
- SB1018, Smithian-Elder and Dependent Abuse, this would require employees of certain financial institutions to be mandated reporters of financial abuse perpetrated against the elder and dependent adults.
- AB1653, supports the Governor's position to eliminate state participation for wages and benefits above the minimum wage.
- AB652, would allow individuals not otherwise eligible for IHSS to buy into the program, share of costs.

SURVEY

- Jeff Lambaren announced that we have about 100 provider surveys returned and about 60 from consumers.
- The end of May is when the surveys are due.
- We need to get 350 from providers and 350 for consumers; we will keep track to see if we need to send more surveys out.

ANNUAL REPORT

- Kenny Brown announced that he received Connie's article and is now writing Mary Burch's bio.
- Jeff Lambaren is working on his section for Public Authority

INTER AGENCIES

• Duplicating services, which County programs are being duplicated unnecessarily, committee will continue to look into this.

GENERAL UPDATE

George Sharp announced that May 24th is Capitol Action Day. Drail is going to Sacramento. If you would like to go contact George by May 17th or 18th.

Adjourned @ 2:07 - Veronica Melgoza, Recorder

Meeting adjourned @ 2:30 PM Veronica Melgoza, Recorder

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Mission Statements

- M1 Enhancing the In-Home Supportive Service Program for the citizens of Stanislaus County by improving Consumer choices, Provider welfare and overall communication in a legally correct, cost effective manner.
- M2 Strengthening the In-Home Supportive Service Program by enhancing choices for Consumers and resources for Providers.
- M3 Providing resources for the In-Home Supportive Services community to improve Consumers' and Providers' quality of life.
- M4 Serving the In-Home Supportive Services community to improve Consumers' and Providers' quality of life.
- M5 Linking In-Home Supportive Services Consumers and Providers together, enhancing both their quality of life in a manner that benefits the local community.
- M6 Enhancing the In-Home Supportive Services Program for the citizens of Stanislaus County by appropriately link Consumers and Providers together, enhancing both their quality of life in a manner that benefits the local community.
- M7 Our mission is to increase choices for Consumers, enhance employment for Providers and promote overall quality for the In-Home Supportive Services Program.
- M8 Our mission is to increase choices for Consumers, enhance employment for Providers, promote overall quality for the In-Home Supportive Services Program in a manner that benefits the local community.

Vision Statements

- V1 Linking Consumers and Providers together for a safer tomorrow
- V2 Choices for Consumers and Resources for Providers
- V3 Choices for Consumers, employment for Providers and savings for the community
- V4 To become a vital link in the In-Home Supportive Services care community