

San Bernardino County IHSS Advisory Committee



784 E Hospitality Ln
San Bernardino CA 92415
January 12, 2022 Wednesday
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Teleconference

Minutes

Members Present

Celina Rwengo
Sheila Johnson (IHSS)

Members Absent

Flora Martinez
Marilyn Interian Matey
Linda Lovett
Diane Chapman

Members of the Public

Nazar Amani
Habiba Amani
Randy Schlecht
Barbara Chastain
Sharon Swayzer
Mary Gillion
Vicky Trotter

Public Authority Staff

Romina Price
Myette Christian
Tannya Munoz

MINUTES

1. Meeting took place over the phone via WebEx. Call to order and roll call – 09:07 A.M. Quorum was not met.

2. IHSS ADVISORY COMMITTEE INTRODUCTION AND MEMBER REPORT

Introductions:

- Celina Rwengo- Vice Chair stated unable to vote on 9/8/2021 and 11/3/2021 minutes due to quorum.
- Sheila Johnson- Supervisor with the IHSS Victorville Office.
 - Public Authority:
 - Myette Christian: Manager with Public Authority
 - Tannya Munoz: Staff Analyst with Public Authority
 - Romina Price: Office Specialist with Public Authority

3. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- Randy Schlecht-Would like to thank the committee for allowing public to be a part of the meeting.
- Mary Gillion-Public, nothing to report
- Barabara Chastain-Public, nothing to report
- Sharon Swayzer-Public, nothing to report
- Vicky Trotter-Public, received an application and interested in joining the committee
- Celina asked PA what information she can give to the new members about the application process.
- Myette:
 - Applicants will submit application and once application is reviewed, applicants will be invited to the next meeting. Applicants will share information about themselves and/or any relevant information.
 - The committee will decide if the new applicant will be accepted into the committee.
 - Reminder there are certain positions that need to be filled and committee should consider these positions when accepting new members.
 - For instance, if quorum was met, new applicant would be considered for members to vote into the committee.
- Celina- Invited new applicant to join next meeting scheduled for 3/2/2022 in hopes of reviewing application and voting in the new applicant.

4. IHSS PUBLIC AUTHORITY REPORT-Rosa Hidalgo/Myette Christian

- Myette Christian
 - Continuing to move through Pandemic and in need of IHSS caregivers that are willing to assist IHSS Clients during this time.
 - Working on social media announcements to advertise the need of caregivers. Unfortunately a lot of providers have left the workforce which has created a challenge for PA to keep caregivers available for IHSS consumers.

- Encourage committee to share with others that the PA is currently recruiting for the registry. The differential pay is still available to providers for COVID related care.
- Tannya states PA is currently mailing PPE items, so you may see those coming in the mail. In addition, please feel free to contact PA if you are needing supplies.
 - Celina asked if she can have supplies mailed to her
 - Sharon Swayzer states she will come into the office to pick up supplies
 - Habiba and Nazar Amani asked for supplies to be mailed
 - Vicky Trotter asked for items to be mailed
- Mary Gillion asked what is needed to start the process of becoming a provider again. Will you need to re-fingerprint?
 - Myette states if you are a current provider you will not need to redo process, however, if you are not a current provider, it may depend on how long ago you fingerprinted. Everyone is invited to apply for the registry.
 - You can contact Romina to look into your information and clarify the process for you further.

5. DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND ADULT SERVICES REPORT

- Sheila Johnson:
 - Reported 36,000 active cases in San Bernardino
 - Average caseload is 373 cases
 - COVID-19 Homebound Vaccination Program
 - Free in home vaccination for homebound San Bernardino county residents that are 5 years of age and older.
 - Caregivers, household members, and family members can also be vaccinated within the appointment of the individual being vaccinated.
 - Pre-registration required with the DASS PG Vaccine team. Romina will forward flyer to committee with this information for future reference.
 - Toll free number: 1-888-743-1485
 - So far 1000 people have been administered vaccinations
 - Authorizing wait time for telemedicine appointments.
 - This entails if the provider will need to assist the client in any task that is asked by the physician during the Tele visit.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- CICA Report:
 - Celina states there were no meetings in December.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- Fiscal report-Fiscal Year (July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022)
 - Celina asked if PA is able to discuss the budget report without having quorum.
 - Myette states it can be discussed however, committee cannot vote on any items or make decisions.

- Tannya recommends committee brainstorm ideas for recruiting members
- Romina: states remaining budget is 5,538.94 (does not include estimated stipends).
- Celina proposes the group trainings or consider alternatives the committee can partake in.
- Tannya advises there are virtual meetings available (Public Speaking, communication skills, etc.) the committee can purchase. Offers to look for trainings to present to the committee. Romina will send links to committee for review.
- Public Concerns
 - Habiba questioned why tax deductions are not coming out of her paychecks.
 - Myette referred to the Live in Self Certification exemption. Recommends someone present this information at an upcoming meeting.
 - Randy would like to provide the following suggestion:
 - Learn the about the Brown Act, the ABA or Disability act, and/or how to use Zoom platform.
- Next Meetings:
 - Celina asked for everyone to mark their calendars. Meetings are as follows:
 - March 2nd
 - May 4th
 - July 13th
 - September 7th

8. ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 9:38
 - Myette states no motion was required.