IHSS/PA Advisory Committee Teleconference Meeting Minutes

June 15, 2022 3:00 p.m. Call-in Number: 805-947-0499 Passcode: 277 732 748#

	Delfina Alvarez	Х	Rosa Ortiz
Х	Jacob Lesner-Buxton		Patricia Gamboa Puentes
	James Importante (CEO's Office)	Х	Maria Alvarez
	Irma Nunez	Х	Leticia Ortega (non-voting)
Х	Ramon Ortiz	Х	Aracely Preciado (non-voting)

Item #	Торіс	Discussion
1.	Call to order	• The regular meeting of the IHSS Public Authority Advisory Committee was called to order at 3:06 PM.
2.	Public Comments	There were no Public Comments
3.	Read and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes	 Enrique Guevara read the Advisory Committee Meeting minutes for 5/18/22.
		Committee Member Ramon Ortiz motioned to approve the minutes and Committee Member Jacob Lesner Buxton seconded the minutes.
4.	Advisory Committee Business	Resuming in-person meetings was discussed.
		• There will not be a meeting July 2022. The next meeting will be held 08/17/2022.
		Having meetings translated were emphasized as important.
		 Committee Member Rosa Ortiz requested to have live translation for these meetings.
		• Committee Member Maria Alvarez advised that she is okay with having either method of meeting, in-person or virtual. She advised that she does not require translation services for these meetings.
		 Committee Member Jacob preferred virtual meetings as he is based out of Santa Barbara and he would need to have someone from the Ventura office for Independent Living Resource Center attend for him.
		 Members in attendance agreed to have a hybrid meeting allowing members the option to attend virtually or in-person.
		Committee Member Leticia Ortega and Enrique will explore options to provide translation in Spanish.
5.	Union Update	Committee Member Aracely Preciado provided the union update from the IHSS provider union SEIU2015.
		• Ventura union members were active with making calls for the union's endorsed candidates.
		The union has been attending in-person provider orientations hosted by the Ventura County Public Authority.

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		 Union members are being trained to assist with these orientations.
		 On Saturday 6/18/22 12 PM to 2 PM the union will be hosting a Zoom conference to celebrate Juneteenth.
		 There will be union member meetings. They will be held 6/21/22 in Oxnard and 6/22/22 in Santa Paula at 6 PM.
		• Providers will have a pay rate increase to \$16.80 beginning 7/1/2022.
6.	Public Authority Update	• The Public Authority started conducting in-person provider orientations in May in both English and Spanish.
		 Additional orientation sessions have been added to accommodate the increasing need for them and space limitations.
		 Everything is going well with provider orientations.
		 Providers are arriving to both the Ventura and Simi Valley offices to receive in-person education and assistance from the provider union and Public Authority.
		 From June to July 2022 providers will be receiving a \$0.45 cent wage increase.
		This pay rate increase was communicated to providers via the Public Authority's Monthly Provider Newsletter.
		 Public Authority added a new vendor to provide a CPR/First Aid training to IHSS providers.
		 Providers who attend this full day eight-hour training will receive a certification that is good for two years.
		 The first English CPR/First Aid training was held 6/4/2022 on a Saturday at the Ventura Public Authority office.
		 On 6/25/22 a Spanish CPR/First Aid training will be held at the same location.
		 These trainings are being continued in 2022 with two appointments in June and one training every month for the rest of the year with the exception of August and December 2022.
		 Providers are informed of upcoming CPR/First Aid trainings via the Public Authority Provider Newsletter. They can register by calling into the Public Authority's provider phone line.
		Public Authority will be coordinating for future trainings in 2023.
		• The annual provider conference is in early stages of discussion for this year with the Public Authority's partner agency for these events. More to come at future meetings.
		 All California County IHSS Public Authority Advisory Committees receive the same annual funding. The amount is \$6,000. CICA has a proposal they are organizing to increase this funding.
7.	Next Meeting and	Agenda items can be emailed to Enrique Guevara.
	Agenda Items	The next meeting will be August 17th, 2022.
8.	Adjournment	• The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Next meeting, August 17th, 2022 will be via teleconference

Minutes submitted by: Enrique Guevara