

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

April 10, 2013

MINUTES

PRESENT

Mark Higgins, Chair
Marjorie Heller

NOT PRESENT

Larry DeBoer
Anila Guruji

STAFF

Diane Anand
Patrick Aulicino
Melinda Sullivan

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Tabled for May meeting.

LEGISLATIVE VISITS

Ms. Anand advised the Committee that the Center scheduled and visited 5 legislative visits within its catchment area as follows:

- Senator Liu
- Senator Price
- Assemblyman Holden
- Assemblyman Gatto
- Assemblyman Perez

Ms. Anand reported that a Board member, service provider, consumer, and Lanterman staff met with respective aides from each office and had a positive experience. The focus of the visits was on the restoration of Early Start services.

REVIEW OF BOARD SELF-ASSESSMENT

The Committee reviewed and discussed Section 9: Meetings.

The Committee had no recommendations.

The Committee reviewed and discussed the sections completed by the CEO: Organizational Practices, Oversight Practices, Board Practices, Chief Executive Supervision, and Board Information and Organizational Demographics.

The Committee had no recommendations.

These sections will be presented to the Board at the April meeting.

DISPARITY DATA

Mr. Aulicino advised the Committee that California has a new legal requirement that regional centers must display on their websites information about the dollar value of services that they purchase for clients. The data must be reported separately by clients' ethnic/racial group, language, and diagnosis. Mr. Aulicino reported that within three months of compiling the data with the Department, and annually thereafter, each regional center shall meet with stakeholders in a public meeting regarding the data.

Ms. Anand advised the Committee that staff will be bringing a recommendation to the Committee on whether to hold an independent public meeting or in conjunction with a future board meeting. Ms. Anand reported that she is meeting with the Southern California Regional Center Directors this week and she will learn what other regional centers are proposing to do.

Discussion followed.

SERVICE PROVIDER AUDITS

Ms. Anand shared with the Committee the Center's response to DDS on information on the compliance of vendors affected by the W&I Code requiring them to obtain an independent audit or review of their financial statements. Ms. Anand reported that 75 vendors were asked to submit an audit or financial review. 50 vendors submitted an audit or review, 7 vendors requested an extension, and 18 did not submit an audit or review. A letter has been sent to those who have missed their extension deadline, informing them they will be placed on a "do not refer" status if their report is not received by a specific date. Those who did not submit will be

sent a letter informing them they are on a “do not refer” status until an audit or review is received.

COMPENSATION PROPOSAL

Ms. Anand advised the Committee that the Center has been working on a full compensation review, including wages, salaries, and employee benefits since April 2011. Ms. Anand reported that this proposal is going through the Administrative Affairs Committee, but wanted to give the Executive Committee background information on the process used and how the information was gathered. Ms. Anand reported on the first two of the four phases and advised the Committee that a recommendation is expected to come to the Board by the end of the fiscal year.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned for executive session at 1:13 p.m.

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