

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

February 13, 2019

MINUTES

PRESENT

Mark Higgins, Chair
Larry DeBoer
Gloria Leiva
Dina Richman - Conference Call

STAFF

Melinda Sullivan

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Higgins called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of January 9, 2019 were approved by consensus.

SERVICIE PROVIDER RATE ADVOCACY

Board Support Letters

The Committee reviewed letters from the Board to Governor Newsome and our State representatives asking them to support the 8% increase. The letter to the Governor was approved by the Board with minor edits at its January meeting. Mr. Higgins signed it.

A similar draft letter to the Budget Committee Members will be taken to the Board for approval at the February meeting.

Legislative Training

Mr. DeBoer reported that the Service Provider Advisory Committee's Legislative Advocacy training on February 6th was a success. There were approximately 75 in attendance. The focus was to promote the 8% rate increase and to show Service Providers how to advocate for themselves. Daniel Savino, ARCA's Director of Government Affairs/Community Relations, lead the training along with a staff member from Assemblyman Chris Holden's office.

Legislative Visits

Ms. Sullivan reported that a couple of service providers and regional center staff visited with Assemblymember Portantino to ask for his support to increase Service Provider rates.

DISPARITY MEETING

For Information Only –

Ms. Sullivan shared a copy of the flyer for the upcoming Disparity Meetings to be held in March. There will be two meetings, the first on March 12, 2019 at Children's Hospital in Spanish, and the second at Lanterman Regional Center on March 23, 2019 in English.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

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