SPAC MEMBERS PRESENT
Kelly White
Isis McDonald
Traci Jones-Martinez
Emily Lloyd
Oscar Carvajal
Shelby Forn
Sandy Doughty
Kimberly West-Isaac

EXCUSED
Bill Murphy

GUESTS
Noey Garcia – In2Vision
Bernadette Manalo-Lew – NBC & Ardmore Guest Homes
Luis Robles – MDH SLS/ILS
Israel Ibanez – Inclusion Services
Cesar Torres – Inclusion Services
Maurilia Aguilar – Progressive Behavioral Therapy
Kathleen Colenda – Easter Seals
Miriam Whitfield - SVS

STAFF
Karen Ingram

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. and introductions were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Correction: Under the category Board Meeting:

deletion of the last sentence “Supported Living Service Standards were approved by the Board”.

The committee moved to approve the minutes of September 5, 2012 with the above noted correction.

REPORTS
Board Meeting
Ms. White reported the following:
- Louis Mitchell was welcomed to the Board of Directors.
- Supported Living Service Standards were revised to reflect current regulations. The revised standard was approved by the Board.
- LRC endorses the general message of the “Disability Political Action Voice”, an advocacy group seeking to maintain the Lanterman Act and to keeping budget cuts far away from persons with developmental disabilities.
- Discussion regarding the ICF/SPA, the pass-thru program to help the State capture federal monies paid to ICFs.

LDC Closure
Ms. Ingram shared that LDC closure is moving forward. Thirty five LRC clients are still at LDC. Some clients are being placed out of the LRC catchment area to be closer to relatives. The Parent Group at LDC and DDS are having a meeting on October 13 as families have been getting mixed messages about the closure. The new CPP plan will focus on resources for the difficult to serve clients currently living out of state, in IMDs (mental health facilities) or Skilled Nursing Facilities.

OLD BUSINESS
SPAC Breakfast
Ms. Doughty reported that all is ready for the breakfast. Committee members will arrive at 8:00am to help set up and collect raffle donations. Copies of speaker John Hall’s book have been ordered for the first 160 to register. Goodie bags will be assembled following today’s meeting.

E-Billing
Ms. Ingram shared that e-billing is in effect and seems to be working well, with 98% of current providers are on board.

NEW BUSINESS
Sub-Minimum Wage
Ms. Ingram reported that the employment community is working at the national level to abolish the minimum wage. This will affect people in work activity programs (workshops), as well as group supported employment. The national effort is slowly moving forward with bi-partisan and employment advocacy groups support.

Home and Community-based Characteristics in Larger Facilities
Ms. Ingram reported that effective July 1, 2012, regional centers are prohibited from purchasing residential services for any facility that has 16 or more beds unless that facility is on the home and community-based waiver or the assisted living waiver. Both programs have specific parameters that need to be met.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CONCERNS
Great Shakeout – October 18, 10:18 a.m. Providers were encouraged to participate and register at greatshakeout.org
UPCOMING MEETING SITES FOR 2012
November 7 – Annual Breakfast
December 5 – Ability First – Pasadena
January 9 – joint meeting with Programs & Services Committee @ LRC

ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am

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Service Provider Advisory Committee Meeting
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