



PASC Governing Board Meeting Minutes March 2, 2015

1) **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Ms. Navarro called the meeting to order. Mr. Oliver called the roll:

Members present: Mr. Adler, Ms. Bardeaux, Ms. Becker Kennedy, Ms. Belton, Mr. Castano, Mr. Davila-Castro, Mr. Magady, Ms. Navarro, Ms. Poole, Ms. Miles.

Members absent: Ms. Boonshaft, Mr. MacDonald, Ms. Otero.

2) **READING OF THE MISSION STATEMENT AND MOMENT OF SILENCE – ATTACHMENT B**

The mission statement was read by Mr. Adler, and a moment of silence was observed for all requested intentions.

3) **The moment of silence was also dedicated to former PASC Board member, Ernie Castano.**

Nick Ippolito from Supervisor Don Knabe's office of the 4th district spoke and presented a BOS scroll to Commissioner Ernie Castano's family as well as members of the PASC Board expressed their thought and memories.

Mr. Eric Ernie Castano shared his comments and thanked the PASC Board for helping his father (former Board member, Ernie Castano) who fought for the rights of those with disabilities and the senior community.

4) **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ISSUES NOT ON THIS AGENDA**

No comments from the public.

5) **MINUTES – APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 2, 2015 MINUTES – ATTACHMENT C**

February 2, 2015 minutes approved on motion of Ms. Belton, seconded by Mr. Adler, by consensus.

6) **FINANCIAL REPORT – APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 2014 – ATTACHMENT D-1 FINANCIAL REPORT – APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 2014 NPER – ATTACHMENT D-2**

In accordance with California Government Code Section 53646(b)(1), Mr. Wagstaff reported on interest income for January 2015.

January 2015 report approved on motion of Ms. Belton, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, by consensus.

January 2015 report, NPER, approved on motion of Mr. Adler, seconded by Ms. Belton, by consensus.

A question was raised regarding the legal fee and it has been resolved and addressed.

7) **BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT**

Ms. Navarro reported on several documents that were passes out in regards to the CA Statewide Public Authority.

Ms. Navarro also reported that she has contacted the 1st and 3rd supervisorial district and waiting on a response.

Ms. Navarro also reported that she has met with the City of Los Angeles regarding the 25th Anniversary of the ADA and reported on the annual Abilities Expo.

Ms. Navarro expressed her appreciation for the Tele TownHall call.

A question was raised in regards to the Special Olympics and what role does PASC or does PASC have a role in it. Mr. Thompson was asked to gather information for the future.

a) Strategic Plan: Ms. Navarro reported that the PASC Board was having difficulty locking down a date, location etc. for the Board retreat.

Other Board members shared their concerns regarding a strategic plan and what needed to be done as well as discussion regarding the grid of priorities that Mr. Thompson has created.

Ms. Bardeaux proposed a motion but Mr. Thompson stated that he wanted to be clear up the confusion between a strategic plan and an the annual report and he made it clear to the Board that the annual report is what is reported to DPSS annually, not a strategic plan. The strategic plan is something that the Board put together.

There was discussion regarding Ms. Bardeaux's proposed motion and it was decided to scratched it and Ms. Bardeaux is restating the motion to read: **A permanent strategic plan committee is to be established and for the purpose of reviewing and evaluating the current years strategic plan and developing a strategic plan for the following year to be submitted to the county. Any and all interested Board members may participate in this process.**

Motion: approved on motion of Ms. Bardeaux, seconded by Ms. Belton, by consensus.

This motion was open for discussion and Mr. Adler proposed a motion to have Ms. Bardeaux's motion to be tabled for next month.

Motion: approved on motion of Mr. Adler, seconded by Ms. Belton, with 1 nay, it passed by majority.

8) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

a) MMR – ATTACHMENT F

Mr. Thompson called Board members' attention to the report in the Board packet.

b) NOVEMBER 2014 CAL MEDICCONNECT ENROLLMENT, OPT OUT & DISENROLLEMNT CHART

Mr. Thompson called Board members' attention to the chart in the Board packet.

Mr. Thompson reported that he will continue to report back to the Board on the updates and various information.

c) **ISSUE TRACKING CHART**

Mr. Thompson called Board members' attention to the chart in the Board packet and reported on 4 issues of the chart which was approved by the Board.

- 1) Restoration to the 7% cut to IHSS which is in the governor's budget and connected with Cal Mediconnect and the funding is dependent on the medi-cal tax being approved which is a managed care tax.

Mr. Thompson reported that he has been speaking with the legislators in Sacramento as well as all of the LA County Board of Supervisor's deputies regarding the IHSS program and the Los Angeles county public authority.

- 2) Protect the IP Mode and consumer direction and has been made loud and clear to again the legislators in Sacramento as well as all of the LA County Board of Supervisor's deputies as well as pointed how important the PASC is this role.
- 3) Restore state participation with the SSP. CA SSI Coalition and a Washington DC representative were present on the Tele TownHall call which spoke about state and federal issues as well as gave thanks to the IHSS Consumer's Union and spoke about other issues.
- 4) PASC contract which has made progress and received the legal fees back and has re-done the budget contact and submitted a 2 year contract with a 1 year extension.

Questions and comments were raised regarding the medi-cal tax which was addressed and answered.

Ms. Belton suggested that PASC should send at least 2 PASC Board members to the hearings in Sacramento and the Statewide PA are looking for members. Ms. Belton shared her frustration and also stated that it was wrong for the Statewide PA to not have the stakeholder's presents in their meetings.

Mr. Adler and Ms. Kennedy asked Mr. Thompson to email the Board what is the status of the Statewide Public Authority and who are the members that were appointed.

Mr. Thompson explained to the Board about the Statewide PA and the Advisory Committee.

Ms. Kennedy share her concerns regarding Olmstead Compliance Acts, in regards to income, section 8 housing and the 1.5% times the minimum wage increase for homecare providers.

Several members shared their concerns regarding the Statewide PA.

d) **BOARD OF SUPERVISOR DEPUTY VISITS**

Spoke about in the above.

e) **CALIFORNIA LEGISLATIVE VISITS**

Spoke about in the above.

f) **CAPA MEETING**

Mr. Thompson reported that several people from CDSS for about the 1115 Waiver and there is a lot of disputes regarding SEIU requesting to be part of the 1115 Waiver and have the money be used for volunteer training for IHSS providers.

9) **SENIOR CONCERNS COMMITTEE**

Ms. Belton reported that the SCC has been brought down to 2 members and will be looking for more people to fill the slots.

Ms. Belton also reported that the SCC is working with the Los Angeles County Commission on Aging, LACOA to clarify the differences between In Home Services program which is funded through the Older American Act and the IHSS program.

Ms. Belton also reported that PASC staff went to the Jackie Robinson Center where a presentation done by Carol Lui's office on fraud and various other subjects and has invited PASC to be present at these presentations and bring PASC's literature.

10) **CLTCEC Provider Training – Deborah Miles**

Ms. Miles reported that she will re-agendize her report to next month's Board meeting. Ms. Miles also reported that she wanted clarify regarding the training program for the IHSS providers and the IP Mode.

Ms. Kennedy shared her concerns and thoughts regarding the provider training program.

Ms. Kennedy asked what are Mr. Thompson's thought about having an 1115 waiver pilot. Mr. Thompson stated that it may be too late for this year but Mr. Thompson will ask.

11) **MANAGED CARE COMMITTEE**

12) **CICA – Randy Bardeaux**

Ms. Bardeaux reported that she will be serving as the PASC delegate to CICA and would like an alternate to assist.

Ms. Bardeaux also reported that the IRS has posted new information about excludable income for federal income tax purposes for IHSS providers.

Ms. Bardeaux also reported that the Olmstead Advisory Committee Stakeholders are looking to appoint new committee members.

Ms. Bardeaux is also reported on that CICA are closely watching several bills, such as SB 128, End of Life Option Act, and the senate health committee hearing will be meeting and there will be more hearing this month on SSI/SSP and the 1115 Waiver.

Ms. Kennedy requested that PASC put the IRS tax information on the PASC Website.

13) DPSS REPORTS

Ms. Gomez would like to move her report to next month's agenda as well as her DPSS' report moved to be presented after the Executive Director's report to provide a full report.

Mr. Adler asked DPSS if the state is currently using the old timesheet. DPSS responded to his question.

Mr. Adler made a suggestion to DPSS regarding the font size of the timesheet.

Ms. Gomez stated that she would go back and check.

Ms. Gomez stated that there were 6,000,000 timesheets printed and will be using them for the next 6 months and Mr. Adler shared his concerns regarding the font size and that the state should comply to the laws and not ADA compliant.

Ms. Gomez stated that these issues were raised and she will verify if the revisions of the timesheet will reflect any font size changes.

Ms. Miles asked regarding the DPSS social worker training. Ms. Gomez stated that department has identified that there are issues with customer service and this is an area of improvement. The department has developed a new communication and training academy section that will target customer service training for all departmental staff and once the curriculum is completed, it will be shared with the PASC Board. Ms. Miles stated that she would like to be present at that IHSS Lancaster and the Hawthorne office training.

Ms. Kennedy asked if anything was done regarding the DPSS social worker response time in retuning calls.

Ms. Gomez stated that DPSS does not capture the data with incoming and outgoing calls and does not have the system set up to do that. Ms. Gomez stated that DPSS has developed a self-service line that is available 24 hours a day to assist homecare providers and the number is: 844-800-9095.

13) SEIU-ULTCW REPORTS

Ms. Franco reported on the statistical update from ULTCW February 2015 report which was passed out.

Ms. Franco also reported on herself as a homecare provider talked about her situation and has a issues getting in touch with the social worker and Mr. Adler suggested she call the PASC issues resolving team.

12) MISSION MOMENTS

Ms. Kennedy reported that she is a 2 time cancer survivor and had issues with the medical facilities that were not able to lift her to the examining tables and should have patient lifts at all medical facilities.

Mr. Adler suggested to Mr. Thompson that we look for allies regarding the patient lift issues.

13) NEW BUSINESS – FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

14) CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Adler reported out from the closed session that collective bargaining issues were discussed and that no action needed to be taken.

15) OPEN SESSION

16) ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned by Mr. Adler.

Approved by

Date minutes approved

ACTION POINTS

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