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North Los Angeles County Regional Center
Government & Community Relations Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 22, 2014

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Present: Dorothy Daniels, Myriam Jovel, Debra Newman, Lou Paparozzi, and Tavia Wooley – Committee Members

Sara Iwahashi, Jennifer Kaiser, Michele Marra, and George Stevens – Staff Members

Absent: Sean Stalbaum and Angela White

I.   Call to Order & Introductions

Tavia Wooley, chair, called the meeting to order at 7:52 p.m.

II.   Public Input - There was no public input.

III.   Consent Items

A.   Approval of Agenda

M/S/C (D. Newman/D. Daniels) To approve the agenda as presented.

B.   Approval of Minutes of September 17th Meeting

M/S/C (D. Newman/L. Paparozzi) To approve the minutes as presented.

IV.   Committee Business

A.   Legislative Update

Copies of the committee's updated bill file were e-mailed to the committee and sent with the meeting packets. AB 1989, SB 577, and SB 1093 were all chaptered. Sara also handed out the following information:

1.   ARCA's testimony from the October 9th hearing.
2.   The Legislative Analyst's Office overview of major DDS budget solutions affecting the community caseload.

Addressing inadequate service provider rates is our most important issue. It will be the focus of all of our legislative outreach efforts this spring, including the legislative breakfast.

3.   Report on AJR 36 Action (Sara)

At last month's committee meeting, it was noted that Senator Hueso ordered AJR 36 to the inactive file. He was not the author of this resolution, so they committee didn't understand how he had the power to make that happen. Sara explained that a bill's author (or the author's proxy when it's in the other house) can move a bill to the inactive file during the third reading process. A motion may also be made from the floor, by anyone, requiring only a simple majority. Also, if a bill is up for a third reading and the author/proxy declines to address it 3 times in a row, it automatically goes to the inactive file.

B.   Board Audit: Are there sufficient financial and human resources available to carry out the center's training & information plan? Yes.

C.   Board Audit: Does the center's training & information plan include a sufficient variety of training and communication methods to reach all of the center's constituents? Yes.

Staff are looking into Facebook and other social media for use in outreach efforts. Although a Facebook page would be easy to set up, it would take time and work to keep it current. If a Facebook page were developed, would it be informational or interactive? After some discussion, the committee thought it best to organize a subcommittee to work out the details.

Action: Debra, Myriam, and Dorothy volunteered to serve on the committee's new "social medical subcommittee." The first meeting will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 19th (2 hours prior to the Consumer Services Committee meeting).

V.   Board Meeting Agenda Items

The following items were identified for the committee's section of the November 12th board meeting agenda:

A.   Minutes of October 22nd Meeting

B.   Legislative Update
C.   Social Media Subcommittee

VI.   Announcements / Information / Public Input

A.   <u>Complete Meeting Evaluations</u>

Tavia asked the committee members to please complete evaluation forms after the meeting and submit them to her with any comments.

B.   Dorothy announced that Senator Tony Strickland is running for Congress. She is having a "meet and greet" for him at her house on Tuesday, October 28th, at 7:00 p.m. She's hoping to have a good turnout and invited the committee members to join her.

Action: Jennifer will e-mail the board details about Dorothy's meet and greet with Senator Strickland.

C.   <u>Next Meeting</u>: Wednesday, November 19th

VII. Adjournment

Tavia adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

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* Board Action Item