

MINUTES OF JANUARY 8, 2018
Inland Counties Regional Center, Inc.
Board of Trustees Meeting

BOARD PRESENT: Kiana Buffington; Tom Cosand; Ted Leonard; Eric Naranjo; Keith Nelson; Jack Padilla; Cameron Page; Rene Rojo; Elvia Sanders; Gizelle Siojo; Joshua Souder; Sheela Stark; Alva Stewart

MEMBERS ABSENT: Peter Asten; Donita Remington

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Steve Beckett; Felipe Garcia; Lavinia Johnson; Don Meza; Merissa Steuwer; Vince Toms; Kevin Urtz; Treva Webster

RECORDING SECRETARY: Sandra Guzman

BOARD FACILIATOR: Ashwin Gaur, New Living Options; Juliana Omaiuboje, Sage Place

STAFF PRESENT: CJ Cook; Robin Ferguson; Jonathan Eckrich; Kurtis Franklin; Gabriel Ortiz

GUEST PRESENT: Alma Janssen, DDS; Gregory Mathes, OPARC; Edith Naranjo, Parent

CALL THE ORDER: Mr. Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 13, 2017 BOARD MEETING: 1. Motion made to accept the minutes of the November 13, 2017 meeting as presented M/S/C Page/Leonard.

PUBLIC INPUT: None

SELF DETERMINATION: Mr. Meza reported that the Self-Determination is making progress and is moving in the right direction. The IRC Self-Determination Advisory Committee met on November 28, 2017. Andrew Burdick, IRC's Employment Specialist shared a special presentation on employment. Presentation was very informative and answered many questions regarding employment changes by legislation and having more jobs be available, individualized and more competitive in nature. The Self-Determination Workgroup had a conference call with the department earlier this month regarding the program's progress. The next advisory committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 23, 2018.

CHAIRPERSON: Mr. Nelson reported the Board continues to move forward and plans to stay focused on their goals and make huge advances in 2018. The Board has recruited new members and added new skill to the group. Mr. Nelson thanked the Directors, Managers and staff for making IRC a Top Workplace and congratulated them on receiving that award. Mr. Nelson shared that one evening he was approached by a consumer who was sleeping behind a Target store. He contacted an IRC staff who connected him to the IRC's 24 hour after-hour service. The after-hour service was able to find our consumer a safe place to sleep until a more permanent living arrangement could be made. The after-hour service works and was very helpful. Mr. Nelson also shared that he recently met with other regional center's Board Chairs and their main topic was how does the regional centers' staff know their board cares? At IRC there is a good mix of board involvement and believe the staff know they care. Mr. Nelson would like the Board more involved in fund raising for Another Way and the CAC.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS'S REPORT: Ms. Johnson thanked Ms. Stark for the board's training. Presentation was very informative. Ms. Johnson introduced Jonathan Eckrich, new program manager for the Training Unit. Jonathan has worked for IRC for a year now but comes with manager experience from San Diego Regional Center. He is loved by consumers and is an excellent trainer. As of December 21, 2017, IRC reported having 34,519 active cases. That is an increase of 76 cases since November. IRC's current employee counts is 752. Approximately 490 of the 752 are case managers. Ms. Johnson thanked everyone who attended the December 2nd Anniversary Commemoration. The County victims and family members were invited to attend a private visit on December 1st. While this was a very difficult experience it also appeared to be very healing. The staff end of the year celebration was held on December 14th and was a huge success. On November 30th, IRC was honored as Top Workplace of 2017 in the Inland Empire, Large Company category. The winner was selected based on the responses from a survey given to all employees. Cj Cook and Daisy Fuentes did a fabulous job setting up the auditorium.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Ms. Steuwer reviewed both the Operations and Purchase of Service (POS) budgets. The Operations budget is aligned with the budget allocations. Purchase of Service is paid in the rears. The total projected POS spending as of December 2017 is \$428,135,303. Projected POS deficit is to be about \$1,022,443.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION: Written Report included in board packet.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ANOTHER WAY: Ms. Gonzales was not able to attend tonight's meeting but submitted a written report which was included in the board packet. Mr. Nelson reminded the Board to let Andrea Gonzales know if they are planning on attending the Another Way Golf Tournament on June 8th and 9th being held in La Quinta. It would be nice if the Board could participate by supporting the committee by attending or providing raffle prizes.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT REPORT: Mr. Cook submitted a written report.

CONSUMER ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Mr. Cook reported the committee was busy in November and December. The CAC Winter Wonderland Dance at Fiesta Village was well attended. The dance was for IRC Consumers ages 16 and older. Consumers sported their ugly holiday sweaters and wore their dancing shoes. Since reintroducing Sex Ed, staff have received about 5 requests per week. The month of December was dark for the training unit. Staff spent a good portion of the month outreaching in the community and volunteering.

Mr. Cook welcomed the newly appointed Consumer Board Representatives and invited to attend the CAC and went over the 2018 event schedule.

VENDOR ADVISORY COMMUNITY: No Report

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) **2018 PERFORMANCE CONTRACT PLAN REVISION:** Mr. Cook stated that at the request of DDS, Public Policy Measures #17 and #18 were added to the previously approved 2018 IRC Performance Contract Plan. Measure 17 pertains to integrated employment as a goal on IPP and Measure 18 pertains to wages and hours worked on behalf of those whom incentive payments have been made. **2. Motion made to accept the plan with revisions M/S/C Rojo/Page.**

NEW BUSINESS: None

TRUSTEE INPUT:

Mr. Leonard shared his girlfriend was pregnant and due March 5th.

Mr. Nelson adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m. to go into Executive Session. Executive Session was called to order 6:58 p.m.

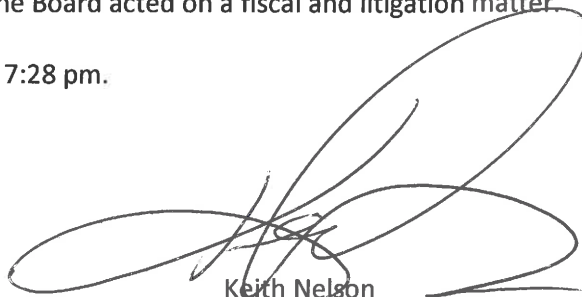
The Board reconvened at 7:27 p.m. The Board acted on a fiscal and litigation matter.

Mr. Nelson adjourned the meeting at 7:28 pm.

Sincerely,



Cameron Page
Board Secretary



Keith Nelson
Board Chair

MOTIONS FOR JANUARY 8, 2018 MEETING:

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