



CICA California In-Home Supportive Services Consumer Alliance

State Wide Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, January 19, 2012
Via Conference Call

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Cindy Calderon at 10:05AM.

2. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Shirley Adams, Orange County
Heidi Aharonian, Orange County
Shirley Baker, Yuba County
Cindy Calderon, Humboldt County
Felice Connolly, Riverside County
Jenilyn Jimenez, San Diego County
Mike Just, Santa Barbara
Randy Kich, Napa
Melissa Kinley, Sacramento
Myepte Kristin, San Bernardino
Anna Martinez, Riverside
Yanira Olivas, Imperial County
Chris Otero, LA
Mark Rimoser, Silicon Valley ILC
Ben Rockwell, LA
Andy Rossoff, Mendocino
Kristy Rudder, Orange
Mary Tinker, Santa Clara
Janie Whiteford, Santa Clara
Lawrence Zynda, San Diego

CICA Staff

Amy Olsen
John Stansbury

3. Welcome and Introductions

Cindy welcomed all to the call. She announced that Mary Tinker would be filling in for Karen Keeslar regarding the IHSS Legislative Report.

4. IHSS Legislative Update – *Mary Tinker, Executive Director, Santa Clara County IHSS Public Authority for Karen Keeslar*

Mary Tinker reported that Karen sends her apologies for not being on the call. Mary reported that impact from new budget is 3.6% across the board cut in service hours. Newest proposal

makes this a permanent cut to IHSS hours. There is a proposed 12% across the board cut to all IHSS consumers with new budget.

Mary said that CAPA is fighting the elimination of the AC requirement. CAPA is very supportive of CICA and they will be working hard to try to fight this as much as possible.

5. Discussion – Advisory Committees Under Threat

Cindy led a discussion around county official's opinion about what counties will do about advisory committees. Riverside County will try to keep an Advisory Committee. Orange County Advisory Committee meeting is tomorrow and they will find out. San Diego County will eliminate the Advisory Committee. Sacramento County would also eliminate the Advisory Committee. Napa County will keep their Advisory Committee. Contra Costa County will keep their Advisory Committee. Santa Barbara will likely keep their Advisory Committee. Janie Whiteford reported that Santa Clara County plans to go to meet with their Board of Supervisors and talk to each board member. Janie encouraged everyone to get their Advisory Committee to be proactive about this to approach their BoS to get their support and to get legislators to get behind Advisory Committees as well. Look at it as Advisory Committees are the consumer voice. Cindy said she is approaching Wes Chesbro to get behind the Advisory Committee. Is CICA going to do a mass emailing to email legislators? Cindy said that this will be talked about at the Strategic Planning Meeting.

Question was asked about support from unions. Cindy said that CUHW is supportive. Need to check with other unions. Is there any way to encourage unions? Any way to give them specific information to encourage their support? Cindy said that we will have talking points after the meeting this weekend.

6. CICA Strategic Planning Meeting

The CICA Strategic Planning meeting will take place Saturday, February 25 in Sacramento.

7. County Happenings

Kristine Loomis reported that they have made great progress in Riverside County. Just got funding back from the county for Advisory Committees to be able to get reimbursed to go to trainings and conferences. Janie and John Stansbury went out to help intervene and train.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:00AM. The next regularly scheduled CICA statewide meeting will take place Wednesday, February 15 at 10:00AM.

Submitted by Amy Olsen