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**IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES (IHSS) ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
TO THE KERN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**MINUTES**

**Thursday, January 19, 2017 - 1:30 P.M.**

**PUBLIC AUTHORITY OFFICE**

**5357 TRUXTUN AVE, BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309**

**GOLDEN GENERATION CONFERENCE ROOM**

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Aaron Flucker, at 1:35 p.m. The flag salute was conducted, followed by a moment of silence.

**ROLL CALL:** (\*Chairman, \*\*Vice-Chair, \*\*\*Secretary [non-voting])

**Present:**

Evelyn Lopez	Individual Provider Representative
Robin Freeman	Private Industry Representative
*Aaron Flucker	Commission on Aging

**Excused Absences:**

Alex Alva	County Administration Office Representative
Harvey Clowers	Fourth District Consumer
**NickoleRenee Mensch	Second District Consumer Representative

Lito Morillo confirmed a quorum was not present.

Lito Morillo confirmed the agenda had been posted per provisions of the Brown Act.

**Aging and Adult Services Staff:**

Michele Gomez, Program Director  
Laura Juarez, Sr. Office Services Specialist

## **INTRODUCTION OF PUBLIC AND NEW MEMBERS:**

### **Guests:**

Julia Burris, Elizabeth Luckhardt, Sonya Massie, Teresa Swick, and Kaye Davis

### **New Member:**

None

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

- APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 15, 2016:  
There was no quorum to approve the minutes for September 15, 2016.
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 10, 2016:  
There was no quorum to approve the minutes for November 10, 2016.

## **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:**

None

## **COMMITTEE MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS:**

- The Committee Appointment report was read. There are no recent reappointments and no new appointments. There are 2 expired terms, Aaron Flucker, Harvey Clowers and NickoleRenee Mensch. Laura Juarez sent a letter to the Board of Supervisors asking for reappointment. She will follow-up with the request. There are no other appointments soon to expire. There are no resignations. Vacancies currently exist in Supervisorial Districts 1, 3, and 5 for Consumers, and one vacancy for an At-Large Consumer. There is also one vacancy for an At-Large Care Provider. We have not received any applications.

## **STAFF REPORTS:**

### **Lito Morillo**

- On January 10, 2017, the Governor released his budget. Coordinated Care Initiative (CCI) did not prove to be a cost saving venture for the State as anticipated so now the Governor wants to eliminate it. CCI was piloted in 7 counties in California in an attempt to move everyone who is in a Medicare program into Managed Care. Elimination of CCI is critical to our general funding because it is tied to In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Maintenance of Effort (MOE). If CCI were to be eliminated, it would cost the County a lot more to run the IHSS program. If we do lose our funding, counties statewide will have to revert back to the old funding methodology of paying 17½ cents on the dollar, which will cause a drastic impact to our staffing level in IHSS. This is not final and we will know more when the Governor's May Revise is released. Whatever the outcome, there will be no reduction in IHSS client hours.

**Michele Gomez**

- There will be some checks processed for refund payments from the State Controller's office on January 17, 2017 for care providers who overpaid on their FICA, Medicare, or SSI State Disability Insurance. This refund will be sent on a separate check and only for those who overpaid. This happened sporadically throughout the state.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Election nominations for the 2017-2019 Board will begin in March 2017.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**OPERATIONAL ISSUES:**

None.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2017, at 1:30 p.m. at Kern County Aging & Adult Services, 5357 Truxtun Avenue, in the Golden Generation Room.

**Meeting adjourned at 2:17 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Lito Morillo, Secretary

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