



Minutes for Executive Committee Meeting

06/02/2021 | 06:30 PM - 07:30 PM - (GMT-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)

Via Zoom Video Conference

Committee Members in Attendance: Dena Pfeifer, Mohammed Rashid (Vice-President), Lynda Mendoza (Secretary), Margaret Heinz (President), Linda Collins (Treasurer)

Committee Members Not in Attendance: None.

Staff in Attendance: Christine Couch, Doug Bonnet, Bud Mullanix, Tony Anderson

Public in Attendance: Irene Hernandez (Interpreter)

Margaret Heinz, President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

A. Review and Approval of Meeting Agenda

Margaret Heinz asked for a motion to approve the Meeting Agenda. Dena Pfeifer made a motion to approve the Meeting Agenda. Mohamed Rashid seconded the motion. The Meeting Agenda was approved unanimously.

B. Review and Approval of Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of 05/05/21

Margaret Heinz asked for a motion to approve the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of 05/05/21. Dena Pfeifer made a motion to approve the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of 05/05/21. Mohamed Rashid seconded the motion. The Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of 05/05/21 were approved unanimously.

C. Public Comment

None.

D. Items for Approval

Tony Anderson, Executive Director, presented the proposed Strategic Plan for Fiscal Year 2021/22 – 2023/24 and answered any questions that committee members had.

Margaret Heinz asked for a motion to accept the proposed Strategic Plan for Fiscal Year 2021/22 – 2023/24. Dena Pfeifer made a motion to accept the Strategic Plan. Linda Collins seconded the motion. The proposed Strategic Plan for Fiscal Year 2021/22 – 2023/24 was approved unanimously.

Tony Anderson presented the proposed schedule for the Board of Directors Meetings for the next fiscal year. Margaret Heinz asked for a motion to accept the proposed schedule. Dena Pfeifer made a motion to accept the Proposed Board of Directors Meeting Schedule. Lynda Mendoza seconded the motion. The Board of Directors Meeting Schedule was approved unanimously. It should be noted that there was a typo on the proposed schedule. The days of the meeting should be the 4th Wednesday of every month, not the fourth Tuesday. This has been corrected on the attached schedule.

E. Items for Discussion – Tony Anderson and Bud Mullanix

1. Executive Director's Report

Disparities

Our disparities public meeting was interrupted by a zoom bomb and we had to reschedule the meeting immediately. Gabriela Lopez presented.

Budget

- \$4M for implementation of a Performance Incentive Program.
- \$61.8M needed to hire all 921 service coordinators, starting next month!
- Emergency preparedness
- Deaf service coordination

2. Notable Consumer Incidents/Complaints

- We have been consistently reporting 2-4 consumer testing positive for COVID-19 and most importantly no hospitalizations is over a month.
- Over 70% of our seniors have been vaccinated and we are now ranked number 6 overall in the state (we were initially ranked number 2).
- Provisional Eligibility
- Enhanced

3. Vendor Issues

- the Legislature has also agreed to begin implementing the rate study. provide \$217M GF starting July 1, 2022, to implement the rate study's proposals.
- This would grow to \$494M starting July 2022, and peak at a continuous \$847M from 2023 on.
- It would also give a 2.5% rate increase to service codes not covered by the rate study.
- There are a number of other proposals the Legislature will approve, including restoring social recreation/camp, a Direct Support Professional training and wage increase program, and other items.

4. Self-Determination Updates

- We currently have 40 participants
- Governor's proposal for self-determination next year includes:
- Three-year funding for participant choice specialists at each regional centers and
- ongoing funding to contract with entities that will help provide orientation, training, and plain language informational materials.
- ongoing funding for intensive transition support in enrolling in the program.
- Effective date of July 1, 2021, SDP is available to all individuals who chooses to enroll, and DDS expects about 5,000 individuals may be served under the SDP Waiver (if more apply DDS will amend the waiver).

Modify previous subcommittee action to also approve \$1 million General Fund and adopt placeholder TBL to form an Office of the Ombudsperson for the program.

5. Other Matters

None.

6. Personnel/Union and Other Staff Issues

- We are meeting with the union now regarding return to the building issues and face to face meetings.
- Our contract reopens this year and our management will begin our sessions to come to agreement and SEIU is meeting to gather their priorities.
- Modify previous subcommittee action to also approve \$1 million General Fund and adopt placeholder TBL to form an Office of the Ombudsperson for the program.
- Bud shared that San Andreas Regional Center called him and stated that their Union leadership thought that we were paying our staff \$3/\$4 more per hour than them and giving bonuses. Bud let SARC know that that is not the case. All of the Regional Centers are all having hiring struggles right now.

F. President's Report - Margaret Heinz

The Vaccination Clinics ongoing are going great. I will be helping on June 15th if anyone else wants to come and volunteer.

The Budget was amazing, and we are keeping our fingers crossed that it stays and passes favorably for us.

Thank you to everyone who put in work for the Strategic Plan.

I'm still hoping that we start having weeks of no reports of consumers having COVID-19.

Welcome Christine and congratulations on your new position.

G. Next Meeting - Wednesday, 07/14/21, 6:30 PM via Zoom Video Conference

It should be noted that Executive Committee Meetings for the new fiscal year will now also move to the second Wednesday of the month at 630 PM as opposed to the first Wednesday as they have been.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Proposed

**VMRC Board of Directors Meeting Schedule for 2021-2022 Fiscal Year
Board Meetings the 4th Wednesday of Every Other Month (Dates and Locations
Subject to Change)**

Date	Location
Wednesday, July 28, 2021 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Annual Board of Directors Meeting via Zoom
	Committee Chairs are appointed by the President
Wednesday, August 25, 2021 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Board of Directors Meeting via Zoom
September 2021	(No Meeting)
Wednesday, October 27, 2021 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Board of Directors Meeting via Zoom
November 2021	(No Meeting)
Wednesday, December 22, 2021 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Board of Directors Meeting via Zoom
January 2022	(No Meeting)
Wednesday, February 23, 2022 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Board of Directors Meeting via Zoom
March 2022	(No Meeting)
Wednesday, April 27, 2022 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Board of Directors Meeting via Zoom
May 2022	(No Meeting)
Wednesday, June 22, 2022 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Board of Directors Meeting via Zoom

Remote meetings are currently allowed as part of a waiver of rules provided by the California Department of Developmental Services. If the waiver expires and permission for remote meetings is not granted, the meeting will be held at 702 N. Aurora Street, Howard Cohen Board Room, Stockton, San Joaquin County, CA 95202. For board members unable to travel to the board meeting location, a zoom link or conference line will be available. The public will also have access to the published zoom link and/or conference line phone number and pass code which will be included after the address as part of the agenda heading.