



## **Minutes for VMRC Executive Committee Meeting**

01/10/2024 | 06:30 PM - 07:30 PM

Valley Mountain Regional Center, Stockton Office, Cohen Board Room and via TEAMS Video Conference

**Committee Members Present:** Lisa Utsey, Alicia Schott, Margaret Heinz, Brandy De Alba, Jose Lara, Lynda Mendoza

**Committee Members Not Present:** Suzanne Devitt (informed absence)

**VMRC Staff Present:** Christine Couch, Evelyn Solis, Bud Mullanix, Aaron McDonald, Gabriela Lopez, Tara Sisemore Hester

**Public Present:** Rachelle Munoz (facilitator), Irene Hernandez (interpreter), Isela Bingham (interpreter), JTT Guest

### **A. Call to Order, Roll Call, Review of Meeting Agenda**

Jose Lara called the meeting to order at 6:39pm. A quorum was established. The agenda was reviewed with no changes.

### **B. Review and Approval of the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2023**

Lynda Mendoza made the motion to approve the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2023, and Lisa Utsey seconded the motion. The Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of 11-08-2023 were approved unanimously.

### **C. Items for Approval**

1. Compliance Officer Job Description and approval – Bud Mullanix presented the job description.
  - a. Margaret Heinz said there were not enough board members present to review this job description or the next job description. Alicia Schott agreed with Margaret. Margaret stated the two job descriptions would be tabled until the next Executive Committee Meeting.
2. Cultural Specialist Job Description and approval – Bud Mullanix was not able to present the job description, per the direction of the Executive Committee.

#### **D. Public Comment n/a**

#### **E. Items for Discussion**

1. Executive Director's Report – none
2. Notable Consumer Information – Tara Sisemore Hester reviewed a person who remains at the Lodi Hospital awaiting placement. This person was removed from their home by CPS and the team continues to search for placement. CPS is the placing agency, and the Interdisciplinary team has conducted an internal search, a statewide search and still have no resources.

Christine Couch reviewed a young man who recently celebrated his 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. Historically this has been difficult to serve family. The young man shared his hopes and dreams in the IPP meeting, and the team is putting together services and supports based on his preferences for the first time.
3. Vendor Information – none
4. Self-Determination Update – Christine Couch share the Self Determination Advisory Committee meets this month and continues to work together to educate the community about self-determination.
5. Other Matters – none
6. Personnel and Union Update – Bud Mullanix shared there are 527 employees on board, and we continue to hire. There are no employee grievances currently. The union is working on a couple of policies.

**F. President's Report - none**

**G. Next Meeting - Wednesday, February 14, 6:30 PM, Hybrid (Stockton Office Cohen Board Room and via Zoom Video Conference)**

**H. Adjournment at 6:50pm**