



COMMUNITY SERVICES AGENCY

Larry B. Poaster, Ph.D.
Interim Director

251 E. Hackett Road
P.O. Box 42, Modesto, CA 95353-0042

Phone: 209.558.2500 Fax: 209.558.2558

**STANISLAUS COUNTY
IHSS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES**

06/07/02

Committee Members Present:	Kenny Brown Madelyn Amaral Dwight Bateman	Ora Scruggs Jose Acosta	Connie Muller Rose Martin
Committee Members Absent:	Jeff Lambaren	Toni Hector	Bonnie Cyphers
IHSS Staff Present:	Jan Holden	Paul Birmingham	Larry Baptista
CSA Staff Present:	Tom Snow		

OPENING REMARKS by CO-CHAIRMAN KENNY BROWN

- Meeting called to order at 1:10 p.m.
- Announcement made allowing for public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Introduction of public attendees: Jennifer Brown, provider and wife of Kenny Brown; Denise Blassingame, field representative for Stanislaus Supervisor Ray Simon; and Tom Snow, ASAP Manager.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

- May 31, 2002 minutes: Motion M/S/A to accept minutes with no corrections.

BUDGET UPDATE by Paul Birmingham

- The Assembly and Senate committees to meet the week of June 10 to discuss the budget.
- The meeting of the “Big Five” to take place in the near future to discuss the budget and cuts of programs.
- Special Circumstances program has been cut completely.



COMMUNITY FOCUS GROUPS

- Madelyn Amaral, Ora Scruggs, and Connie Muller to attend Oakdale forum. Dwight Bateman and Kenny Brown unavailable to attend.
- Denise Blassingame believes either Pat Paul or Mickey Peabody will attend the forum.
- Calls from recipients and caregivers regarding the forums can be given more information via mail.
- Added information in Modesto Bee ad regarding the committees meetings on every 2nd and 4th Friday of every month.
- Reviewed TID Thank You letter and Patterson and Oakdale City Council invitation letters.

AB 1682 DISCUSSION

- Jan Holden discussed the All-County letter regarding IHSS implementation deadline.
- The State sent the letter trying to get a better understanding of how the County's timetable is going and if the committee is able to meet the July 1st deadline.
- Reviewed and discussed the LA Times article handout about the Board of Supervisors suit to block increase of wages in the IHSS program via the initiative process.
- The committee asked to have the CSA staff to set-up some mock graphs to mix and match the different scenarios. Jan Holden to check with Doreen Ott about the graphs and bring to an upcoming July meeting.
- Jan Holden is checking to see whether or not its possible to keep a spot open on the Board of Supervisors agenda for July 30th for the IHSS Advisory Committee's recommendation prior to decision being made. In order to be on the July 30th agenda, information must be to the CEO's office by July 12th.
- Dwight Bateman asked if the State would penalize the County if the committee did not meet the deadline? Jan Holden said legislation has been introduced to have penalties for counties who do not have an "Employer of Record" by January 1, 2003.

LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE IHSS AND APS PROGRAM

- Reviewed letter of support for the IHSS and APS program with new corrections.
- Committee reviewed with no new changes and ready to sign and mail.

IHSS COMMITTEE LETTERHEAD

- Reviewed three different letterheads present to the committee.
- Committee accepted letterhead #3.
- Change titles of all committee members to "Advocate" and "Advisory Members" header to "Committee Members".

LABOR RELATIONS

- Committee requested to retrieve information from Charlotte Herron about when Union meetings are held and ask if she will be available to do a brief presentation on the Union's process.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- Dwight Bateman asked if progress had been made on obtaining information on a web site. He asked that this be put on the agenda.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Web page for the committee.