



**In-Home Supportive Services
Public Authority Advisory Committee
of Mariposa County
Post Office Box 99
Mariposa, CA 95338**

MINUTES

Monday, May 10, 2021

Video Conference

Members Present: Dennis Mende, Dana Hallett, Ron Schmidt

Members Absent: Eva Adams - Excused, Mary Wilson - Excused

Staff Present: Christy McCarthy, Janet Gass, Jason Allen

BOS Liaisons: Marshall Long, Rosemarie Smallcombe

Guest(s): None

Recording Secretary: Jason Allen

Call to Order and Introductions - Ron S. called the meeting to order at 1:38PM. Roll call completed.

1. Public Comments

- A. No comments made.
- 2. Approval of May 10, 2021 Agenda
 - A. No quorum present due to absences.
- 3. Approval of April 12, 2021 Minutes (Attachment A)
 - A. No quorum present due to absences.
- 4. UDWA - Union Status Update
 - A. The union meets with clients as needed. IHSS sends lists of providers and sets/creates time for union to meet with them while the client is already in the office. IHSS has materials to provide to clients who are unable to conduct a meeting in person.
- 5. Old Business
 - A. Elections for this committee are coming soon, Ron's term as chairperson is up at the end of June.
- 6. New Business
 - A. No comments made.
- 7. Committee Goals
 - A. Fill all the committee member openings
 - i. Dana is wondering if we can have family members on the committee simultaneously, per Ron, this will need to be researched in more depth, there will be more to come.
 - ii. There are 7 seats in all, 2 are currently needing to be filled.
- 8. Committee Concerns

- A. Dana inquired about weed eating and fire prep through Area 12 Agency On Aging. Per Rosemarie, Cal-fire/Fire Safe Council are working with BOS towards securing a grant for the brush and chip program.

9. Updates

- A. BOS Update-Marshall Long

- i. It was suggested that we have an employee of Mariposa County join the committee as an official member, this will help with maintaining a quorum. Janet & Jason will check with Terri Peresan about this.
 - ii. The county is currently working on improving the overall budget, they are majorly looking at fire and drought prep issues.

- B. Agency and Branch Updates

- i. On January 6, 2021 the governor issued a master plan on aging. A link to the 5 major goals and the executive order was sent out through email by Jason after the meeting (A copy will be mailed to Dana.) Please review this. Per Rosemarie, it is unclear how exactly Mariposa County will rollout the master plan but it is being considered and more info will come with time.
 - ii. Applications for IHSS are picking up, we have 262 active recipients. Outreach is continually being conducted as IHSS is always recruiting and looking for new ways to recruit. Per Janet, the electronic visit verification system in Mariposa is at 100% regarding

enrollment, Mariposa is 1 of 5 counties in California that has accomplished this.

10. Financial Update - (This is quarterly— next one is coming up in July, 2021)
 - A. The report due in April (Attachment B) was provided at this meeting. In March 2021, IHSS had fewer providers than recipients. There were approximately 211 providers paid when we had approximately 254 active recipients . IHSS is steadily working to improve this gap and be able to have a provider to match to each recipient, COVID has been a large barrier to this.
11. Next Scheduled Meeting Date: June 14, 2021
12. Adjournment @ 2:17PM