

# MINUTES OF THE MAY 21, 2013 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE HARBOR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES FOUNDATION, INC.

### **BOARD PRESENT:**

Mr. George Bird, Past President Mr. Jeffrey Brower, Board Member Mr. Joe Czarske, Vice President Ms. Kristine Engels, Board Member Dr. James Flores, Board Member Mr. Bob Irlen, Board Advisor

Ms. Patricia Jordan, Board Member

Mr. John Rea, President

Dr. Roberta Rendon-Christensen, Board Member

Mr. Mariano Sanz, Board Member

Ms. Wendy Sorel, Treasurer

### **BOARD ABSENT:**

Mr. Robert Bethel, Board Member

Mr. Fu-Tien Chiou, Board Member

Mr. Wesley Dale, Board Member

Mr. Douglas Erber, Board Member

Mr. David Gauthier, Secretary

Ms. Karen Kinnebrew, Board Member

# **STAFF PRESENT:**

Ms. Patricia Del Monico, Executive Director Ms. Claudia DeMarco, Associate Director Ms. Judy Wada, Chief Financial Officer

Ms. Colleen Mock, Director, Community

Services

Ms. Mary Hernandez, Director, Adolescent &

Adult Services

Mr. Jahn Rokicki, Director, Children's Services

Ms. Cheryl Perez, Executive Assistant Ms. Jennifer Lauro, Executive Assistant

### **GUESTS:**

Mr. Marcus Lewis, Aide to Patricia Jordan

Mr. Sang Lee, EKPTO, Parent

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The Board Meeting was called to order at 8:10 a.m.by Mr. Rea.

# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Mr. Rea led in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- b. Mr. Rea welcomed Board members, guests and staff.
- c. Mr. Rea asked for members and guests to introduce themselves.
- d. Mr. Rea requested that the record reflect the Executive Committee met on May 7, 2013 to prepare the agenda for this board meeting.
- e. Mr. Rea reminded the Board that there will be no regular business meeting in June. Instead, the Board will meet on Saturday, June 1, 2013 for our annual Spring Board Retreat.
- f. Mr. Rea informed the Board that they have been provided with a list of Trustees who are eligible for election to serve an additional term to complete and submit to the Recording Secretary at the end of today's meeting.

g. Mr. Rea informed the Board that they have also been provided with an Official Ballot for the Election of Officers for the Fiscal Year 2013/2014 to complete and submit to the Recording Secretary at the end of today's meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 16, 2013 BOARD MEETING. Mr. Bird moved to accept the APRIL 16, 2013 minutes of the Board meeting, and Mr. Sanz seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Ms. Sorel reviewed the following financial statements: Harbor Developmental Disabilities Foundation Harbor Help Fund Statement of Income and Expense January 1 to March 31, 2013; Harbor Regional Center Monthly Financial Report Fiscal Year 2012-13, Mar-13; Harbor Regional Center Functional Expenditures Mar-13; Harbor Regional Center Line Item Report Mar-13.

Mr. Sanz moved to approve the Treasurer's Report for Harbor Regional Center and Mr. Flores seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

### **EXECUTIVE REPORT**

### 1. 2012-2013 BUDGET:

Ms. Del Monico reviewed the most recent Sufficiency of Allocation Report for the current fiscal year with the Board and noted that there continues to be a significant deficiency projected for the regional center system as a whole. In addition, the 1915i Waiver has been approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid. Ms. Del Monico also informed the Board that the First Five Commission has only provided \$15 million for the Early Start program rather than the expected \$40 million.

### 2. MAY REVISE FOR FY 2013-14 PROPOSED BUDGET:

Ms. Del Monico reported that the Administration released its "May Revise" and reviewed the DDS Highlights of the May Revise to the Governor's proposed budget for 2013-14. Ms. Del Monico also reviewed with the Board the ARCA summary of the May Revise.

### 3. EARLY START UPDATE:

Ms. Del Monico provided an update on how the restoration of the Early Start Program continues to be supported, and referred to an article appearing in the Los Angeles Times entitled: "Special needs children deserve the chance to be extraordinary". Ms. Del Monico will continue to keep the Board advised as to the progress of this movement.

## 4. COMMUNITY PLACEMENT PLAN UPDATE:

Ms. Del Monico updated the Board on the City of Cerritos delays to HOPE's recent efforts to obtain permits for a CPP property in their City. Ms. Del Monico provided the Board with written communication between HRC and the City's Mayor along with a report written by the City Manager for their review. Ms. Mock attended a recent City of Cerritos Council meeting and briefly reported the outcome to the Board. Ms. Del Monico informed the Board that HRC will be working with legal counsel going forward in an

effort to have any future development of properties in the City proceed without issue. Ms. Del Monico will keep the Board informed in this matter.

### 5. **DIVERSITY - UPDATE:**

Ms. Del Monico informed the Board that a public meeting will be held at HRC in English and in Spanish on Tuesday, June 18, 2013 in which client data related to demographics and expenditures for the clients based upon both diagnosis and ethnicity is reviewed. Board Members, service providers, client and parent groups have been notified to ensure maximum participation by those interested.

Ms. Del Monico also informed the Board that the Senate Select Committee on Autism and Related Disorders issued a preliminary report by the task force on equity and diversity for regional center autism services and the report along with its summary of initial findings and policy recommendations. Ms. Del Monico briefly reviewed the summary of initial findings and policy recommendations with the Board.

### 6. THE WAY FORWARD:

Ms. Del Monico reported on the growth of The Way Forward group to include 14 of the 21 regional centers and its progress to develop a consensus on the way to maintain an effective and sustainable developmental services system. Board members David Gauthier and John Rea attended a recent meeting of the group and Mr. Rea provided some comments concerning the group's deliberations. Ms. Del Monico briefly reviewed three major completed activities by the group and provided a paper in the Board packet that summarizes the results of the three activities and also includes a proposed set of values which can be used as guidelines. Ms. Del Monico advised the Board of the group's current plan which includes holding a symposium to which system wide leaders will be invited in order to further the conversation concerning the ongoing sustainability of the developmental services system. Ms. Del Monico will continue to keep the Board informed as The Way Forward group proceeds.

# Mr. Sanz moved to approve the Executive Report. Mr. Czarske seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### a) AUDIT

In Ms. Kinnebrew's absence, Ms. Wada reported that the independent auditors will start their audit at the end of July for this fiscal year.

### b) **BOARD DEVELOPMENT**

In Mr. Bird's absence, Ms. Del Monico asked the Board to complete the ballots that have been provided and turn them into the recording secretary at the end of the meeting. Ms. Del Monico reminded the Board that the June Retreat is scheduled for June 1, 2013 and the topic of discussion will be Post-Secondary Services.

### c) CLIENT ADVISORY

Ms. Mock informed the Board that the Client Advisory Committee held a meeting last week and the topic of discussion was Adult Services. Ms. Mock stated that the next meeting will be in June.

### d) CLIENT SERVICES

In Mr. Chiou's absence, Mr. Rokicki informed the Board that the Client Services Committee went on a tour of the HRC Resource Center. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 28, 2013.

# e) COMMUNITY & FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Dr. Rendon-Christensen did not have a Committee report.

## f) SERVICE PROVIDER ADVISORY

Ms. Engels stated that the Committee will have a meeting today and she will report back at the July meeting.

### g) BOARD PLANNING

Ms. Sorel stated that the Board Planning Committee did not meet this month.

### h) RETIREMENT

In Mr. Bethel's absence, Ms. Wada reviewed the Retirement Plan Performance report for the quarter ending March 31<sup>st</sup>.

### i) ARCA

Mr. Czarske advised that there was nothing to report for this month, but the next ARCA meeting is scheduled for June 20 and 21.

# j) HOPE (Home Ownership for Personal Empowerment)

Mr. Irlen reported that HOPE is actively acquiring properties and making good progress on the focus to fulfill contract commitments.

Ms. Engels moved to accept the committee reports and Mr. Sanz seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the Board.

### **PUBLIC INPUT**

None

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Submitted by:

Mr. G. David Gauthier, Secretary Harbor Developmental Disabilities Foundation, Inc. Board of Trustees