



Regional Center of the East Bay
REGIONAL CENTER OF THE EAST BAY
Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, June 25, 2018
1320 Willow Pass Road, Concord
Approved 9/24/18

RCEB BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kathy Hebert, President
Evangeline Iyemura, Vice-President
Mike Treppa, Budget & Finance
Nyron Battles, Secretary
Morena Grimaldi, Diversity & Equity Chair
Sister Marygrace Puchac, PVAC
Lilian Ansari
Gwen Nash-Butler
Dinah Shapiro
Gerald Tamayo

ABSENT [excused]:

Chi Lee, Treasurer
Linda Stevens

STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa Kleinbub, Executive Director
Terri Jones, Director of Human Resources
Lynn Nguyen, Director of Finance & Administration
Lucy Rivello, Director, Health & Behavioral Services
Steve Robinson, Director of Community Placement & SDC Closure Plans
Ronke Sodipo, Director of Consumer Services
Christine Hanson, Associate Director of Adult Services
Evelyn Hoskins, Associate Director of Federal Programs
Elvia Osorio-Rodriguez, Associate Director of Children's Services
Priscilla Gomez, Transportation Manager
Antonia Heinrich, Manager of Client Trust
Vanessa Ibanez, Intake Coordinator
Meredith Rosenberg, Case Manager
Julie Whiskeyman, Case Manager
Michi Toy, Executive Assistant

GUESTS:

Vi Ibarra, CCCDDC
Jeri Pietrelli

San Leandro Police Department
- Officer Justin Blankinship

Will Sanford
Sandi Soliday, ACDDC
Geneva Ziaouré, PVAC

- Lisa Blankinship
- Logan Blankinship
- Officer Kevin Hackl

CALL TO ORDER

Board President, Kathy Hebert called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Regional Center of the East Bay to order at 7:00 p.m.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Self-introductions were made and a quorum was present.

CONSENT AGENDA / MINUTES

M/S/C “The Board moves to approve the June 25, 2018 agenda as presented.”
 [Battles/Shapiro] Unanimous

M/S/C “The Board moves to approve the May 21, 2018 minutes as presented.”
 [Battles/Puchac] Unanimous

PUBLIC COMMENT

Special guests representing the San Leandro Police Officers Association/Police Department attended the board meeting this evening. Officer Blankinship spoke about their department’s first Law Enforcement Autism Awareness program as well as their Autism Awareness BBQ community event which they hosted on April 2nd. They successfully registered 79 individuals from the community into their police database to assist the department with early response and in increasing autism awareness in the community.

Officer Blankinship presented RCEB’s board president with a donation check for \$10,000 from the proceeds of the sales of the autism awareness t-shirts and badges that they designed and printed, as well as donations from their police department staff. Ms. Kleinbub as well as the Board thanked the officers for their very generous donation to RCEB’s Helping Hand Fund. The RCEB Helping Hand Fund is our donation fund which is used entirely (100%) for client services and/or supports that cannot be purchased or funded with State funds.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Kathy Hebert

CONTRACT APPROVALS

Department of Developmental Services E-Series Preliminary

Ms. Hebert distributed DDS's "E" series contract documents indicating a total increase of \$336,294,195 consisting of OPS and POS Allocations. The Executive Committee approved this contract at their June 13th meeting.

M/S/C "The board moves to approve the Department of Developmental Services E-Series Contract as presented." [Battles/Shapiro] Unanimous
The motion was adopted.

HOUSING CONTRACTS

Community Placement Plan [CPP]

This contract represents RCEB CPP Safety Net start-up funds to develop 2 acute crisis facilities run by DDS' North Star.

Brilliant Corners

Total Capacity for both facilities: 10 individuals

Facility 1 start-up: \$1,450,000.00 from the State General Fund

Facility 2 start-up: \$1,072,000.00 from the State General Fund + \$378,000.00 from CPP

Total Amount: \$2,900,000.00

M/S/C "The board moves to approve the start-up funding for Brilliant Corners to develop 2 acute crisis homes to be run by DDS North Star as presented." [Battles/Shapiro] Unanimous The motion was adopted.

Supported Living Service – [SLS]

Ms. Hebert distributed the summary of the 26 Supported Living Services [SLS] contract renewals to the board members. The one year terms of these contract renewals are from 7/1/18 to 6/30/19. As explained by Ms. Kleinbub at the last board meeting, the reason why these SLS contracts are for only one year, is because our attorney will be providing RCEB with new contract language that is more up to date with the language in the law. The subsequent contracts with the new language will be for five years, which we will bring forth to the board again at that time. Clients receiving services under these contracts have individualized rates based on need.

Adult Educational Technologies

Capacity: 20 individuals

Currently Housing: 14 individuals

Estim. Average monthly rate is \$11,319

Estim. Annual total \$2,716,560 based on current capacity

Alternative Learning Center

Capacity: 30 individuals

Currently Housing: 8 individuals

Estim. Average monthly rate is \$9,175

Estim. Annual total \$3,303,000 based on current capacity

Bay Area Support Services

Capacity: 20 individuals

Currently Housing: 12 individuals

Estim. Average monthly rate is \$12,315

Estim. Annual total \$2,955,600 based on current capacity

Bay Liberty

Capacity: 20 individuals

Currently Housing: 13 individuals

Estim. Average monthly rate is \$9,403

Estim. Annual total \$2,256,720 based on current capacity

Coastline

Capacity: 15 individuals/community and 15 individuals/ CPP

Currently Housing: 11 individuals

Estim. Average monthly rate is \$19,525

Estim. Annual total \$7,029,000 based on current capacity

C.O.M.P.A.S.S.

Capacity: 55 individuals

Currently Housing: 48 individuals

Estim. Average monthly rate is \$9,096

Estim. Annual total \$6,003,360 based on current capacity

Community Access

Capacity: 25 individuals

Currently Housing: 18 individuals

Estim. Average monthly rate is \$7,963

Estim. Annual total \$2,388,900 based on current capacity

Community Integrated Support Services

Capacity: 10 individuals

Currently Housing: 9 individuals

Estim. Average monthly rate is \$9,367

Estim. Annual total \$1,124,040 based on current capacity

DABS, Inc.

Capacity: 25 individuals

Currently Housing: 13 individuals
Estim. Average monthly rate is \$10,214
Estim. Annual total \$3,064,200 based on current capacity

East Bay Innovations

Capacity: 40 individuals
Currently Housing: 36 individuals
Estim. Average monthly rate is \$8,024
Estim. Annual total \$3,851,520 based on current capacity

Friends of Children with Special Needs

Capacity: 34 individuals/community and 15 individuals/CPP
Currently Housing: 24 individuals
Estim. Average monthly rate is \$6,320
Estim. Annual total \$2,578,560 based on current capacity

Full Circle of Choices

Capacity: 30 individuals
Currently Housing: 19 individuals
Estim. Average monthly rate is \$7,448
Estim. Annual total \$2,681,280 based on current capacity

Harmony Home

Capacity: 34 individuals
Currently Housing: 22 individuals
Estim. Average monthly rate is \$7,222
Estim. Annual total \$2,946,576 based on current capacity

Inclusive Community Resources

Capacity: 30 individuals
Currently Housing: 23 individuals
Estim. Average monthly rate is \$11,893
Estim. Annual total \$4,281,480 based on current capacity

Las Trampas

Capacity: 41 individuals
Currently Housing: 22 individuals
Estim. Average monthly rate is \$6,873
Estim. Annual total \$3,381,516 based on current capacity

Novelles

Capacity: 16 individuals
Currently Housing: 5 individuals
Estim. Average monthly rate is \$11,631

Estim. Annual total \$2,233,152 based on current capacity

Omelagah

Capacity: 15 individuals

Currently Housing: 2 individuals

Estim. Average monthly rate is \$21,825

Estim. Annual total \$3,928,500 based on current capacity

One Step Closer

Capacity: 20 individuals

Currently Housing: 10 individuals

Estim. Average monthly rate is \$14,531

Estim. Annual total \$3,487,440 based on current capacity

Pathway to Choices

Capacity: 20 individuals

Currently Housing: 12 individuals

Estim. Average monthly rate is \$11,572

Estim. Annual total \$2,777,280 based on current capacity

Positive Adult Transitions

Capacity: 15 individuals

Currently Housing: 7 individuals

Estim. Average monthly rate is \$8,694

Estim. Annual total \$1,564,920 based on current capacity

Serra Center

Capacity: 35 individuals

Currently Housing: 15 individuals

Estim. Average monthly rate is \$6,341

Estim. Annual total \$2,663,220 based on current capacity

Thrive Support Services

Capacity: 35 individuals

Currently Housing: 26 individuals

Estim. Average monthly rate is \$11,536

Estim. Annual total \$4,845,512 based on current capacity

Toolworks

Capacity: 30 individuals

Currently Housing: 23 individuals

Estim. Average monthly rate is \$9,426

Estim. Annual total \$3,393,360 based on current capacity

AIMS

Capacity: 15 individuals
Currently Housing: 4 individuals
Estim. Average monthly rate is \$7,352
Estim. Annual total \$1,323,360 based on current capacity

Bertha Izalee, LLC

Capacity: 15 individuals
Currently Housing: 2 individuals
Estim. Average monthly rate is \$8,926
Estim. Annual total \$1,606,680 based on current capacity

PACT

Capacity: 15 individuals
Currently Housing: 4 individuals
Estim. Average monthly rate is \$12,706
Estim. Annual total \$2,287,080 based on current capacity

M/S/C “The board moves to approve of RCEB entering into the 26 named SLS contracts as specified above.” [Battles/Shapiro] Unanimous The motion was adopted.

Family Home Agency – [FHA]

Ms. Herbert distributed the contract summary information for the four FHA’s to the board members. These contracts are all 5-year renewals effective 7/1/18 to 6/30/23 to provide services to clients residing in these homes.

Bethesda Lutheran Communities

Capacity: Up to 30
Estim. Average monthly rate \$2,716 for Tier 1 [based on the 4 Tier levels]
Estim. Annual total \$977,760.00 based on total capacity

LLC AMP Inc, dba Enriching Lives

Capacity: Up to 30
Estim. Average monthly rate \$3,210 for Tier 1 [based on the 4 Tier levels]
Estim. Annual total \$1,155,600.00 based on total capacity

Golden State Residential

Capacity: Up to 30
Estim. Average monthly rate \$3,210 for Tier 1 [based on the 4 Tier levels]
Estim. Annual total \$1,155,600.00 based on total capacity

California Mentor

Capacity: Up to 30

Estim. Average monthly rate \$3,210 for Tier 1 [based on the 4 Tier levels]

Estim. Annual total \$1,155,600.00 based on total capacity

M/S/C “The board moves to approve of RCEB entering into the FHA contracts with
The four FHA homes as specified above.”
[Battles/Shapiro] Unanimous The motion was adopted

TRANSPORTATION CONTRACTS

Ms. Herbert distributed the multiple transportation contract renewals to the board members.

875 Contracts – These four contracts agreements are between RCEB and the transportation companies directly for a one year term from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.

Desoto Access

Rate per consumer/day: \$24.62

One way/consumer: \$12.31

Maximum Total: \$781,439.00

Kidz First Transit

Rate per consumer/day: \$22.14

One way/consumer: \$11.07

Maximum Total: \$274,979.00

G&S Transporters

Rate per consumer/day: \$24.61

One way/consumer: \$12.31

Maximum Total: \$271,695.00

WT All Access

Rate per consumer/day: \$24.62

One way/consumer: \$12.31

Per hour/aide: \$18.00

Maximum Total: \$1,145,069.00

M/S/C “The board moves to approve of RCEB entering into the 1-year #875 transportation contracts with the four transportation services as specified above.”
[Shapiro/Battles] Unanimous The motion was adopted

880 Contracts – These sixteen contracts agreements designate the transportation service as an additional component to the day program. The five year term is from July 1, 2018-June 30, 2023.

A Better Chance Transportation

Rate per consumer/day: \$9.87

Per hour/aide: \$13.69

Annual Total: \$547,541.00

5 year Total: \$2,315,502.00

ARC-Inroads

Rate per consumer/day: \$18.77

Annual Total: \$284,929.00

5 year Total: \$1,424,645.00

CAMP, INC

Rate per consumer/day: \$19.04

Annual Total: \$262,752.00

5 year Total: \$1,313,760.00

Community Day Program

Rate per consumer/day: \$19.04

Annual Total: \$299,538.00

5 year Total: \$1,497,690.00

**Community Integrated Work Program
[CIWP] – Antioch**

Rate per mile: \$2.68
Maximum Annual Total: \$598,176.00
Maximum 5 year Total: \$2,990,880.00

**Community Integrated Work Program
[CIWP] – Hayward**

Rate per mile: \$2.68
Maximum Annual Total: \$598,176.00
Maximum 5 year Total: \$2,990,880.00

Mission Hope- Antioch

Rate per consumer/day: \$16.01
Rate per hour/aide: \$11.22
Wheelchair supplement: \$3.42
Annual Total: \$494,104.00
Maximum 5 year Total: \$2,470,520.00

Mission Hope- Dublin

Rate per consumer/day: \$21.37
Per consumer/one way: \$10.59
Rate per hour/aide: \$11.22
Wheelchair supplement: \$3.42
Annual Total: \$633,023.00
Maximum 5 year Total: \$3,165,115.00

Mission Hope- Hayward

Rate per consumer/day: \$16.01
Rate per hour/aide: \$11.22
Wheelchair supplement: \$3.42
Annual Total: \$521,974.00
Maximum 5 year Total: \$2,609,870.00

Social Vocational Services- Antioch

Rate per consumer/day: \$19.82
Per hour/aide: \$12.78
Annual Total: \$464,978.00
5 year Total: \$2,324,890.00

Social Vocational Services- Hayward

Rate per consumer/day: \$10.26
Per hour/aide: \$12.78
Annual Total: \$250,000.00

**Community Integrated Work Program
[CIWP] - Richmond**

Rate per mile: \$2.68
Maximum Annual Total: \$598,176.00
Maximum 5 year Total: \$2,990,880.00

One Step Closer

Rate per consumer/day: \$10.30
Annual Total: \$284,280.00
5 year Total: \$1,421,400.00

Mission Hope- Brentwood

Rate per consumer/day: \$13.71
Rate per hour/aide: \$11.22
Wheelchair supplement: \$3.42
Annual Total: \$442,749.00
Maximum 5 year Total: \$2,213,745.00

Mission Hope- Fremont

Rate per consumer/day: \$13.71
Rate per hour/aide: \$11.22
Wheelchair supplement: \$3.42
Annual Total: \$442,749.00
Maximum 5 year Total: \$2,213,745.00

Social Vocational Services- Newark

Rate per consumer/day: \$16.64
Per hour/aide: \$12.78
Annual Total: \$275,559.00
5 year Total: \$1,377,795.00

5 year Total: \$1,250,000.00

M/S/C “The board moves to approve of RCEB entering into the 5-year #880 transportation contracts with the sixteen transportation services as specified above.” [Battles/Puchac] Unanimous The motion was adopted

La Familia Counseling Services [LFCS]

This is a renewal of the current ongoing contract for case management services between RCEB and La Familia Counseling Services for the term of 7/1/18 to 6/30/19 and a rate of reimbursement of \$92.99/client/month. The monthly contract amount is a maximum of \$66,119.00 with an annual estimated contract amount of \$793,430.00.

M/S/C “The board moves to approve the renewal contract between RCEB and LFCS as presented” [Battles/Puchac] Unanimous

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Budget and Finance Report for June 25, 2018 – Mike Treppa

Purchase of Service (POS)

For Non CPP Purchase of Services Expenditures, RCEB continues to project a sufficiency ranging from \$9.4M at a high projection to \$11.0M at a low projection. This is an increase of \$.4M from the previous month’s projections. We continue to roll over new program development efforts to the new fiscal year, while actual costs came in lower than previously projected. The 15 of the 21 Regional Centers including RCEB, are reporting sufficiency in POS projections for Fiscal Year 17-18. We will continue to monitor the status of our POS projections as Case Managers are working hard to ensure that all purchase of services are submitted before the fiscal year-end.

Operations

We continue to report a projected balanced operations budget for current fiscal year with 84% of expenditures in base.

Fiscal Year 2018-19 Allocation

As submitted to the Board for approval, RCEB has received the preliminary “E” Contract and allocation for Fiscal Year 18-19 for \$35,418,437 OPS and \$300,875,758 POS funding for a total of \$336,294,195.

Cash Flow Status

The Agency had adequate cash to fully fund our invoices for May Services that were paid out mid-June. We are ending the fiscal year with \$16M cash on hand.

DDS has not advised us on when they will release Regional Centers’ three cash advances for Fiscal Year 18-19. We expect DDS to release the first and second cash advance for Fiscal Year 18-19 by

the third week of July and the 3rd cash advance is scheduled to be released by August 1st. If for any reason there is a delay in getting our cash advance, the Board is reminded that there will not be sufficient cash to pay for June POS services on July 16th. Consequently, we will draw down on our \$35M line of credit with Union Bank. The interest rate on the loan will be prime rate (which is currently at 4.75%).

We will inform the Executive Committee mid-month via email at the time the paperwork is submitted to draw on the line. The Executive Director and Chief Financial Officer have the authority granted by the Board to sign the paperwork to draw down the line of credit as needed. At this time, the cash flow projection shows that we may need to draw approximately \$15M.

Vendor Fiscal Audits

Per DDS requirement, RCEB needs to complete 18 vendor fiscal audits by the end of fiscal 17-18. At this time, we have completed 29 vendor fiscal audits, and there are no pending fiscal audits that have substantial findings.

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Kathy Hebert

Ms. Herbert stated that she is working with other board members and staff on possible candidates for board membership.

PROVIDER/VENDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE [PVAC]: Sister Marygrace Puchac

The PVAC meeting was on June 8th, which was very well attended. Will Sanford had a PowerPoint training presentation on the ABX2 1 Rate Setting Methodology. DDS's rate study survey will gather information on provider costs and the sustainability of current reimbursement rates. DDS contracted with Burns & Associates to assist them with this endeavor. RCEB will be holding a couple of workshops prior to the August 3rd deadline, to assist our providers.

Signups are on RCEB's website: <https://www.rceb.org/pod/rate-study-initial-training>
Burns & Associates rate study: <http://www.burnshealthpolicy.com/DDSVendorRates/>
The next PVAC meeting will be on July 13th in San Leandro.

CONSUMER ADVISORY COMMITTEE [CAC]: Mr. Battles stated that the CAC does not meet in the month of June. The next CAC meeting will be on July 9th.

DIVERSITY and EQUITY COMMITTEE: Morena Grimaldi

Ms. Grimaldi stated that the meeting was held prior to this board meeting and received the updates from the different support groups. It's been a slow time due to summer vacations and will probably remain so through August. Congreso Familiar has been meeting more often for the planning of their large August conference on August 4th. Ms. Grimaldi also advised that DDS hired a cultural specialist, Sylvia Hoggartt, who will be busy running the various disparity projects. Also

discussed was the news on immigrant families possibly being housed at the former naval weapons station in Concord. Detailed minutes are available on the Diversity & Equity page of our website <https://www.rceb.org/pod/agenda-minutes>. The next Diversity & Equity meeting will be on September 24th in San Leandro at 6pm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Lisa Kleinbub, Executive Director

Governor's State Budget

The budget bills have passed the Assembly and the Senate as they have completed their joint budget committees; however, there may be an additional budget bill addressing the Medi-Cal issues. The Governor needs to sign and may blue-pencil where he deems necessary within the budget bills by Saturday. More than likely there will not be any blue-penciling by Governor Brown even if both houses agree on an issue and the Governor does not agree because those will be changed before reaching the Governor's desk. Although there is good news in the budget, most of the news is not so good and not what the Assembly or Senate wanted to support.

Key Points

Assemblyman Holden's Bridge Funding Request: This is a \$25M one-time bridge of State general funding to help our service providers pay for unfunded costs. This request was to hold our providers over between now and when the legislature is able to look at the rate study that will be presented to them. Originally, the proposal was for \$50M, and during the conference committee it was negotiated down. It is still unclear on how that money will be distributed as there is a lot of discussion about high-cost vs. low-cost areas and minimum wages. Currently, it is on hold due to requiring a federal approval for the matching federal funds of around \$18M, which must be requested from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services [CMS] before they can go forward with the \$25M in State funds. The questions of how soon and in what method the funds will be distributed to our service providers are questions that we do not have the answers to at this time.

Uniform Furlough Holiday Schedule: The rejection of the mandatory 14 unpaid days that providers had to take, has been suspended to June 2019. Although it was not taken out of law, it will again be an issue next year.

Half Day Billing: This was not suspended and is back in effect. An example would be that if someone does not go to a program for 65% or more of scheduled hours in the day, the provider can't bill for the whole day.

Kern Regional Center Funding: There is funding to assist Kern Regional Center, which has been struggling over recent years. They still have fiscal struggles but their pension issues have been stabilizing and they have a new Executive Director, so they are on the right path.

Restoration of Social Recreation and Camp: Unfortunately, there is no funding put in the budget for these services, which provide social and respite opportunities for our consumers. This

decision was basically agreed to by the Conference Committee with gubernatorial influence since both the Assembly and Senate were in favor of these restorations.

Respite Policy: There is new trailer bill language in the budget requiring that aside from having a Respite Policy, regional centers must share the guidelines and internal procedures for providing respite services by being transparent and posting these on their websites.

There were many questions asked by the board members regarding these elements discussed in the budget.

Legislative Issues

Race for Governor

Ms. Kleinbub added that there is a gubernatorial candidate race for the next California Governor in the November general election with Lt. Governor Gavin Newsome facing John Cox. Our developmental disability issues were brought to the forefront with the Lanterman Coalition hosting a few interviews in May during the primary season with the gubernatorial candidates mentioned earlier as well as with Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa and Travis Allen.

Northstar Acute Crisis Facilities

There are two facilities currently being developed Northstar (Northern end) and Southstar (Southern end), that may not be at full capacity. We are currently developing other community crisis and Enhanced Behavioral support homes. Senator McGuire has put forth legislation to allow for ten beds at another locked facility named Canyon Springs for those who are in acute crisis. A unit will be created there that can serve them only until June 30, 2021. This will be when all of the Fairview and Porterville general treatment sites are scheduled to be closed. These new homes and models will be available by that time.

Assemblymember Jim Frazier is Chairman of a newly created Assembly Select Committee on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. There will be a kick-off committee hearing in Sacramento possibly in early August, followed up by local town hall meetings in the area.

Sonoma Developmental Center [SDC] Status – Steve Robinson

Mr. Robinson stated that we are now down to 31 SDC individuals left to be moved to homes in the community. We will have three more placements this week and four more Enhanced Behavior Support Homes [EBSH] that need to complete their construction. The estimated completion date is in August. When the individuals are ready to transfer out to the homes, we will be spacing out the placements for their health and safety. Mr. Robinson added that we have received some very good feedback from family members who were initially against the closure of the developmental center. The families are also pleased with the Altruistic Dental Smiles mobile dental clinic that has started servicing our clients in their new homes.

Self-Determination [SD]

Ms. Kleinbub informed all that the Centers for Medicaid/Medicare Services [CMS] approved of the waiver, which means that we can proceed; however, at this point, DDS has not developed all the necessary steps to move forward. They are currently working on developing a system for adequate cash flow for the Financial Management Services [FMS] providers. There was discussion about providing cash advances to provide the services, but everything else is paid in arrears at regional centers, so that option would not work. There is also the option of having the payments occur more frequently for direct services for individuals in their homes. Nothing is confirmed at this point. We are continuing our enrollment meetings in all areas of the State. The signup to be on the list of individuals to be selected in the lottery might close on October 1st and then the selection process begins. However, that deadline will depend on the progress of all the other parts in the program. DDS currently does not have all the orientation materials on all the details explaining the selection and services processes. Currently, the plan is that all 2,500 California prospects for self-determination will be selected at one time, and a roll-out of who will be getting services after that occurs.

We hope to get a report on our numbers of how many people we actually have on our list in our community for the lottery selection by demographic factors. The selection process will be by certain age groups, such as people over age 42. This is a group with a low interest in Self-Determination, so we want to know where we are at this point. We have reached out considerably to the Spanish speaking and Asian communities, as we know that our numbers in those two groups are large. We were told on Friday that we should get our information on the Community Placement Plan and our Community Development Resource Plan within the next several days. This will be our opportunity to make proposals to support those clients still at the developmental centers as well as those who live in the community and need specialized services to be developed. We are hoping that there will be an opportunity to request funds for housing development. One of the requirements is for multifamily housing funded by these monies is to have 25% of people with developmental disabilities in any project and 75% of people who identify as not having developmental disabilities in the project.

Once we have the plans that we propose, we will be posting the information on our website for a period of time to allow for public comment. We have also been discussing the possibility of these plans to be shared in a number of events that we participate in, in the community as well as events where we partner with the Developmental Disability Councils [DDC's] in both the Alameda and Contra Costa counties. We have met with mental health departments and have heard about those needs as well. Although we have gathered a considerable amount of information, it is unfortunate that we do not anticipate having a long build up time to develop a plan and share it with the community. We will keep you informed as this progresses.

Service Provider Rate Survey

Ms. Kleinbub thanked Will Sanford, and Geneva Ziaouré for teaching a couple of workshops for RCEB providers who need assistance in accessing and completing the on-line surveys. The first workshop will be tomorrow, June 26th and the second workshop will be on July 16th. The survey deadline has been extended from July 6th to August 3rd to give our providers more time to

complete the survey. Burns & Associates is looking at a number of different service categories but not all of them; for example Service Code 116 is used for a range of infant services and it is not being surveyed. Once the survey is completed they will provide a report to DDS, who will in turn present a report to the legislature by March 2019 in order to evaluate the rates that are needed to support our providers in the community. We do anticipate the ability to comment and to provide feedback on these proposals at the end of the year. Ms. Kleinbub added that as we listen to the budget committees this year looking at our issues, there was discussion of being ready to fund what this rate study tells us in March.

RCEB Staff Meetings

Ms. Kleinbub shared information regarding the open staff meetings she has been holding in both the Concord and San Leandro offices to get feedback on what is important to our staff; both positive and negative comments were welcomed in order to make improvements where feasible.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gwen Nash-Butler spoke about Assemblymembers Chiu and Grayson's AB2923 bill which passed the Assembly. This bill is about the transit-oriented housing development on land owned by BART and located within ½ mile from a station, to help with the housing shortage as well as to increase ridership. A third of the housing would be designated for affordable housing, and Assemblymember Grayson has expressed that he would push for a portion of it to be designated for those with disabilities.

Sandi Soliday, Alameda County Developmental Disabilities Council [ACDDC]

Ms. Soliday stated that the annual DDC Awards Dinner on June 12th was a success and thanked the Dream Achievers for playing at the dinner.

7/18: This is the next EBLC from 12:00-2pm at the Public Health Dept.

7/23: This is the annual planning meeting from 9:30–12pm at the Public Health Department. The focus will be on committee work.

7/27: This is the next East Bay Employment Task Force meeting from 10:00-12pm at the Public Health Office in San Leandro where there will be training by RCEB on the new FMS.

Ms. Soliday also spoke about the June passing of a long time former ACDDC board member and disability advocate, Mary Fowler and how she will be missed.

Vi Ibarra, Contra Costa County Developmental Disabilities Council [CCDDC]

Ms. Ibarra stated that their council also takes a summer break, but will be using the time wisely with the new Chair and Vice Chairperson to work on strategic planning for the upcoming year.

8/11: The Emergency Services Division of the Office of the Sherriff will be conducting a Search & Rescue exercise, and some of the volunteers will be those with disabilities. One of the exercises

focuses on home evacuations by the Mutual Aid Mobile Field Force that has received training from Functional Assessment Service Team [FAST] members, some of whom are DDC board members.

9/26: This is the next CCCDDC meeting

Ms. Ibarra mentioned that their Transition Task Force is being re-evaluated and they will look at different presentation methods at community events in the upcoming year.

Ms. Ibarra also added that in the June 12th Contra Costa Times issue, there was a well written article by the Embassy Suites General Manager in Walnut Creek who had hired an autistic individual via Project Search.

<https://www.eastbaytimes.com/2018/06/12/opinion-workers-with-disabilities-added-immense-value-to-our-staff/>

Sheraden Nicholau, State Council on Developmental Disabilities [SCDD], Bay Area Office

Ms. Nicholau is working on a project in San Francisco this evening, but provided the following updates:

June 27: This is the next Regional Advisory Committee meeting at Futures Explored's Artist Den from 7:00-9pm in Concord, with one of the topics being on affordable housing.

July 19: Statewide Self-Determination Advisory Committee meeting

July 30: Self-Advocates' Advisory Committee meeting

July 31: SCDD Council Meeting

Aug 13: Legislative and Public Policy Committee meeting

Aug 23: Employment First Committee meeting

Additionally, SCDD is planning trainings and presentations for late summer and fall, so if any group, council or board would like to utilize their team on any topic related to rights, services, supports, data, leadership, equity and opportunity efforts, please contact them.

ARCA REPORT: Lisa Kleinbub

Ms. Kleinbub informed everyone that ARCA had their annual end of year meeting and awards dinner. This year they honored three employers that hire people with developmental disabilities and promote an inclusive work environment. Each of these businesses were represented at this awards dinner:

1. Arc of Imperial Valley- Strike Zone is a very large entertainment center with several bowling lanes, laser tag, gaming zone, etc. and a restaurant. Strike Zone hires those with and without developmental disabilities.
2. Sacramento Municipal Utility District [SMUD]- Partners with the Northern California Business Advisory Council to promote partnerships between local businesses and

employment training programs. There is an “Inclusion Department” in their HR where they create opportunities within SMUD for those with disabilities.

3. Cintas- This uniform rental company partnered with Valley Mountain Regional Center to employ people with developmental disabilities in the Stockton area.

This yearly meeting is also traditionally ARCA’s Board of Director’s election time. Our RCEB Board President, Kathy Hebert, was elected as ARCA’s Vice President, and we are very pleased with that good news.

The next ARCA meeting will be in September. The October meeting will be a strategic planning meeting focusing on what the goals of ARCA as an organization will be for the next three years.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The board meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

****There is no board meeting in July [Board Member Training only] or August**
The next Board Meeting will be at 7:00 PM on September 24, 2018 in **San Leandro****