## AGENDA

# IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PUBLIC AUTHORITY OF STANISLAUS COUNTY

1010 10<sup>TH</sup> STREET, BASEMENT LEVEL, MODESTO

# JULY 2, 2013

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. CONSENT CALENDAR (Those items marked with an \*) \*A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JUNE 11, 2013
- III. PUBLIC FORUM
- IV. ADJOURNMENT
- V. CLOSED SESSION: <u>CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR</u>: AGENCY NEGOTIATOR: MONICA NINO AND JODY HAYES. LABOR ORGANIZATION: UNITED DOMESTIC WORKERS. GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6

## MINUTES

# IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PUBLIC AUTHORITY OF STANISLAUS COUNTY JUNE 11, 2013

The In-Home Supportive Services Public Authority met in the Joint Chambers at 1010 10th Street, Basement Level, Modesto, California.

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:26 pm Members present: All Members absent: None Staff present: Jeff Lambaren

II. CONSENT CALENDAR (Those items marked with an \*) Monteith/DeMartini (5-0) 12:26 pm Adopted the consent calendar. \*II-A Approved the minutes of 03/12/2013 and 05/14/2013

## III. PUBLIC FORUM

A. Allen Bruce, IHSS Provider, spoke regarding his 86 year client. He noted that IHSS Providers spend their wages in this community, and that it is cost effective to keep people in their homes.

Chuck Walker, Sr. from the California Alliance for Retired Americans spoke regarding the County's labor negotiations with the United Domestic Works (UDW) representing IHSS Providers.

Jerry McKibben spoke in support of a wage increase for IHSS Providers. He noted that they have not had a raise in three years.

Christine Rector stated that she has been a care-giver for 35 years, and she spoke of the need for home care providers.

Tony Madrigal spoke in support of a wage increase for the IHSS Providers. He noted that caring for individuals in their homes helps to keep neighborhoods safe.

Manuela Gayton noted that she cares for her disabled 35 year old son. She explained the amount of time and care that is needed to care for her son every day.

Kim Sponeman stated that she has taken care of her son who has cystic fibrosis for 14 years, and when he is hospitalized she does not receive a paycheck. She asked the Board to consider giving them a wage increase.

Frank Johnson spoke regarding the car accident that left him disabled, and that accidents can happen to anyone. He spoke regarding the importance of the IHSS program, which enabled him to return home after his accident. His care-giver cooked, cleaned, and provided personal care for him while he recovered. Tim Robertson, from the UDW, spoke on behalf of the home care providers. He stated that they are a good financial investment when compared to the cost of institutional health care.

Maryellen McLaughlin, IHSS Provider, voiced concerns regarding the medical, dental and vision health plan for IHSS workers, and noted that they do not receive sick pay.

Maggie Mejia spoke regarding the need for Home- Care Providers. She spoke of the importance of IHSS Program and in support of a wage increase.

Allison Dobbs, Respiratory Therapist, spoke regarding the expense of skilled nursing facilities as compared to the IHSS program. She asked the Board to consider giving IHSS Providers a wage increase.

Juan Melgoza also spoke in support of a wage increase for IHSS Providers. He stated that his grandmother has Alzheimer's and she needs full time care.

Evelyn Harmon noted that she gave up her full time job to take care of her friend, and now lives on \$500 a month. She stated that they are State workers but are not paid like State workers.

Kadou Xiong spoke on behalf of Patricia Hughes, who is disabled due to a car accident. She asked the Board to consider giving a raise to the IHSS Providers.

Mike Loza noted that some of the IHSS providers were unable to appear today or had to leave early to care for their clients. He spoke regarding the labor negations with the County.

Chairman Chiesa noted that the County will continue to participate in the labor negotiations with the UDW and he spoke regarding the County's Budget.

## IV. RECESSED

A. Recessed at 1:21 pm as the Stanislaus County IHSS Public Authority

B. Reconvened at 1:45 pm as the Stanislaus County IHSS Public Authority to Closed session for Conference with Labor Negotiator: Agency Negotiator: Monica Nino and Jody Hayes. Labor Organization: United Domestic Workers. Government Code Section 54957.6.

# V. ADJOURNMENT

A. Adjourned at 1:55 pm as the Stanislaus County IHSS Public Authority

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Jeffrey M. Lambaren Executive Director