

# **MINUTES**

# IRVINE RESIDENTS WITH DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD

September 4, 2012 6:00 p.m.

Irvine Civic Center
One Civic Center Plaza
Room L102
Irvine, California 92612

## **CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Irvine Residents with Disabilities Advisory Board was called to order on September 4, 2012, 6:07 p.m. in Room L102 at Irvine Civic Center, Irvine, by Chair Jewell.

## **ROLL CALL**

## PRESENT:

BOARDMEMBER: MEENA CHOCKALINGAM

BOARDMEMBER: ANDREA DRAYER

BOARDMEMBER: FRAN GUSTIN

BOARDMEMBER: JANE HAHN

BOARDMEMBER: JUNE McLAUGHLIN

BOARDMEMBER: DENNIS NIGGL BOARDMEMBER: JAMES SHIN

BOARDMEMBER: ERIK ST. AMANT

VICE CHAIR: DAVID GIBBONS

CHAIR: KIMBERLY JEWELL

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ABSENT:

BOARDMEMBER:

GREGORY FELIX
JULIE LEVINE

BOARDMEMBER:

## ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** 

None

INTRODUCTIONS

None

**PRESENTATIONS** 

None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

None

#### SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

o Community Awareness

Chair Jewell and Boardmember Drayer provided an update on criteria ideas for the community awards program which highlights Irvine businesses that employ persons with disabilities and/or individuals who support persons with special needs. The proposed title of the awards program is S.T.A.R. (Striving for success, Team spirit, Assisting others and Responsibility).

The following ideas were shared as suggestions for program structure and implementation:

• Nominations through the City of Irvine website;

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- Visits to local businesses;
- Review of nominations and vote by Boardmembers;
- Notifications to agencies and nominees; and
- Award presentation by Board.

## Independent Living

Boardmember McLaughlin provided an update on the committee's interest in new programs to assist individuals with housing costs, without jeopardizing their disability benefits.

#### **BOARDMEMBER REPORTS**

Boardmember Gibbons discussed the Emergency Preparedness for People with Disabilities presentation he provided at the Irvine Groves on August 21, 2012. There were 75 residents in attendance. Boardmember Gibbons commented about how well prepared and organized the Irvine Groves is for emergencies, especially for residents with disabilities.

#### STAFF REPORTS

Community Services Supervisor Blanco requested input from the Board regarding preferred terminology for special needs populations. Supervisor Blanco also discussed details regarding the IRDAB booth at the Irvine Global Village Festival on September 29, 2012.

### **BOARD BUSINESS**

#### Minutes

**ACTION**: It was moved by Boardmember Drayer, seconded by Boardmember Gustin, to approve the minutes as amended, reflecting Vice Chair Gibbons absence at the regular meeting of the Irvine Residents with Disabilities Advisory Board held August 7, 2012.

## **END BOARD BUSINESS**

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ADJOURNMENT at 7:10 p.m. Tuesday, September 4, 2012

Cimberly Jewell, CHAIR

SUSIE BLANCO

**Recording Secretary**