

MINUTES

IRVINE RESIDENTS WITH DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR MEETING

November 4, 2014

Irvine Civic Center, Conference Room L102
One Civic Center Plaza
Irvine, California 92606

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Irvine Residents with Disabilities Advisory Board was called to order at 6:12 p.m., on Tuesday, November 4, 2014, in Room L102, Irvine Civic Center, One Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California by Chair McLaughlin.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 12 BOARDMEMBER: MEENA CHOCKALINGAM

BOARDMEMBER: ANDREA DRAYER BOARDMEMBER: GREGORY FELIX BOARDMEMBER: DAVID GIBBONS BOARDMEMBER: FRAN GUSTIN BOARDMEMBER: PAUL HARVEY BOARDMEMBER: KIMBERLYJEWELL BOARDMEMBER: DENNIS NIGGL BOARDMEMBER: RICHARD ROBERT

BOARDMEMBER: JAMES SHIN

BOARDMEMBER: BARBARA STERN

CHAIR:

JUNE McLAUGHLIN

ABSENT:

1 VICE CHAIR:

ERIK ST. AMANT

INTRODUCTIONS

None.

PRESENTATIONS

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Boardmember Harvey provided a summary on the October 7, 2014 meeting of the Task Force to Review Housing Needs of the Developmentally Disabled.

Boardmember Gustin announced the Jewish Federation & Family Services of Orange County recently opened Mandel House, a new residential home offering adults with disabilities an independent, community based, group living environment that meets their unique needs.

Boardmember Stern explored the possibility of University California, Irvine providing in-kind housing for the Irvine Host Town Special Olympics Delegation during their July 2015 visit. Thus far, Boardmember Stern has been unable to obtain a commitment for in-kind housing.

Boardmember Chockalingam reported the Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act of 2014 is currently in the Senate waiting to be passed. The ABLE Act will allow people with disabilities (with an age of onset up to 26 years old) and their families the opportunity to create a tax-exempt savings account that can be used for maintaining health, independence and quality of life.

Supervisor Blanco made the following announcements:

- Incoming Chair McLaughlin and Vice Chair St. Amant were recognized for their respective new roles as officers of the Board.
- The Board will make a presentation to the Community Services Commission on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber. Boardmembers were invited to submit input for the presentation and speaking points. Chair McLaughlin will make the presentation on behalf of the Board.
- Irvine Host Town Chairperson Lissa Pestolesi will provide an update on the Special Olympics 2015 World Games to the Board on Tuesday, January 6, 2015.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no nominations for the Disability-Friendly Manager's Awards for the month of October.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

BOARD BUSINESS

1. MINUTES

ACTION: Moved by Boardmember Stern, seconded by Boardmember Drayer and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the Irvine Residents with Disabilities Advisory Board regular meeting held October 7, 2014.

The motion carried as follows:

AYES:

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McLaughlin, Niggl, Robert, Shin, Stern

NOES:

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ABSENT:

St. Amant

2. IRVINE RESIDENTS WITH DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD 2015 MEETING SCHEDULE

ACTION: Moved by Boardmember Gustin, seconded by Boardmember Jewell and carried unanimously to approve the Irvine Residents with Disabilities Advisory Board 2015 meeting schedule.

AYES:

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Chockalingam, Drayer, Felix, Gibbons, Gustin, Harvey, Jewell,

McLaughlin, Niggl, Robert, Shin, Stern

NOES:

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ABSENT:

St. Amant

3. IRVINE RESIDENTS WITH DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER **APPOINTMENT**

ACTION: Moved by Boardmember Gustin, seconded by Boardmember Stern and carried unanimously to recommend applicant Julie Garcia to the Community Services Commission for appointment to the Board.

AYES:

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Chockalingam, Drayer, Felix, Gibbons, Gustin, Harvey, Jewell,

McLaughlin, Niggl, Robert, Shin, Stern

NOES:

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ABSENT:

St. Amant

ADJOURNMENT at 7:15 p.m.