

MINUTES

IRVINE RESIDENTS WITH DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR MEETING

May 3, 2016

Irvine Civic Center
Conference and Training Center
One Civic Center Plaza
Irvine, California

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Irvine Residents with Disabilities Advisory Board was called to order on Tuesday, May 3, 2016, at 6:09 PM in the Conference and Training Center, Irvine Civic Center, One Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California; Chair McLaughlin presiding.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 9	BOARDMEMBER:	ANDREA DRAYER
	BOARDMEMBER:	GREGORY FELIX
	BOARDMEMBER:	DAVID GIBBONS
	BOARDMEMBER:	PAUL HARVEY
	BOARDMEMBER:	KIMBERLY JEWELL
	BOARDMEMBER:	DENNIS NIGGL
	BOARDMEMBER:	RICHARD ROBERT
	BOARDMEMBER:	BARBARA STERN
	BOARDMEMBER:	VACANT
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	VICE CHAIR:	VACANT
	CHAIR:	JUNE McLAUGHLIN

ABSENT: 2	BOARDMEMBER:	MEENA CHOCKALINGAM
	BOARDMEMBER:	FRAN GUSTIN

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair McLaughlin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

Chair McLaughlin introduced Dalia Powers and David Kozawa, Council Executive Assistants to Mayor Pro Tem Lynn Schott.

PRESENTATIONS

There were none.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS/BOARD REPORTS

Announcements/Reports

1. Staff Announcements/Reports

- Community Services Supervisor Susie Blanco announced the following: Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) is seeking community leaders to participate in the Specials Needs Advisory Committee (NSAC); Disability Population statistical information will be provided at the Tuesday, June 7, 2016 regular Board meeting; applications to serve on the Board are being accepted through Tuesday, July 19, 2016.
- Community Services Program Coordinator Ryan McGraw provided a list of boards and committees reporting to the Community Services Commission (CSC), showing the frequency of reports from January 2015-April 2016; provided an update on current Disability Services recreation programs during April 2016; announced Irvine Unified School District (IUSD) High School Special Education Program students and parents were invited to attend an Open House and the Prom dance on Friday, May 6, 2016.

2. Boardmember Announcements/Reports

- Boardmember Harvey provided information about Section 8 vouchers and how the Achieving Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act, signed into law by California Governor Jerry Brown on October 11, 2015, will allow certain individuals and their families the opportunity to contribute to a tax-exempt savings account that can be used for maintaining health, independence and quality of life.

Committee Announcements/Reports

3. Community Awards Program

There were none.

4. Ad Hoc Committee for Needs Assessment Process and Board Work Plan

- The ad hoc committee completed a list of questions for the Needs Assessment that focuses on quality of life, inclusion opportunities, and facility needs within in the Irvine community. The Board is working with staff to review recommendations and the next steps in the process.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tala Fazeli, Program Director for Dreams of America, provided information on this new program offered in Irvine. Dreams of America assists developmentally disabled adults ages 22 and older with independent daily life skills. Dreams of America helps clients become more independent through volunteering and interactive activities such as art classes, occupational therapy and job skills development.

BOARD BUSINESS

1. APPROVAL OF IRVINE RESIDENTS WITH DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

ACTION: Moved by Boardmember Stern, seconded by Boardmember Drayer and carried unanimously by those members present to approve the minutes of the Irvine Residents with Disabilities Advisory Board regular meeting held April 5, 2016.

AYES: 7 Felix, Gibbons, Harvey, Jewell, McLaughlin, Niggel, Robert

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 2 Chockalingam, Gustin

2. ELECTION OF IRVINE RESIDENTS WITH DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD VICE CHAIR

ACTION: Election of Irvine Residents with Disabilities Advisory Board Vice Chair was tabled to the June 7, 2016 Regular Meeting.

BOARD DISCUSSION

1. Board Recruitment

Chair McLaughlin provided a recruitment outreach letter for staff to distribute to targeted network agencies and individuals in Irvine and Orange County.

2. ABLE Act verses Special Needs Trust

Boardmember Harvey discussed how the ABLE Act can subsidize the cost of rental housing and Section 8 vouchers in Irvine.

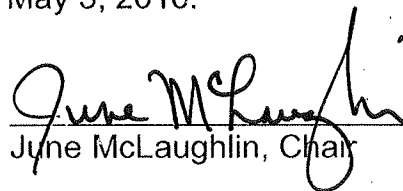
3. California Interscholastic Federation (CIF)


Chair McLaughlin recommended the Board form a committee to explore new California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) rules at IUSD that support inclusion in athletic sports programs. New rules state athletes with disabilities to be included in CIF sports.

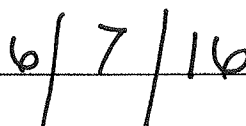
4. Irvine Residents With Disabilities Advisory Board Work Plan

Chair McLaughlin will prepare an updated version of the Work Plan and input the brainstorming session goals at the next regular Board meeting on Tuesday, June 7, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT at 7:26 p.m. on Tuesday, May 3, 2016.


June McLaughlin, Chair


Susie Blanco
Community Services Supervisor
Recording Secretary


Date