

**ALA
PLANNING & NETWORK ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
June 11, 2013**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Irma Canfield, Chair
Mary Hanlon-Hillis, Vice Chair
Becky Tarwater, Community Member
Sandra Irachetz-Cruz, Community Member
Jackqueline Cooper, Family Member
Martha Moyer, Family Member
Debby Valdez, Family Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

John Evans, Parliamentarian
Jennifer Tarr, Family Member
Cara Magrane, Community Member
Larry Rodriguez, Community Member
Heidi Helstrom, Family Member
Pam Stephens, Community Member

STAFF PRESENT

Anthony Jalomo, ALA Director
Virginia Charles, Services Manager – GR
Lona Carter, Services Manager – HCS
Sara Sobieski, Services Manager – HCS
Diana Garcia, Team Leader – I & E
Teresa S. Kolenda, Administrative Assistant
Alyssa Villegas, Administrative Assistant

GUESTS PRESENT

Blanca Tapia, AACOG Controller

1. Ms. Canfield called the meeting to order at 1:10 pm.
2. Roll call by Ms. Kolenda.
3. No citizens to be heard
4. Consider and act upon the February 12, 2013 minutes.
 - A motion was made by Ms. Cooper, seconded by Ms. Tarwater to approve the February 12, 2013 minutes; the motioned carried unanimously.
5. Discussion and appropriate action regarding ALA FY 2013 Budget.
 - Mr. Jalomo introduced Ms. Tapia, AACOG Controller who reviewed the Alamo Local Authority combined revenue & expense report for January – April 2013.
 - Mr. Jalomo presented to members the ALA budget for FY 13.
 - A motion was made by Ms. Hanlon-Hillis seconded by Ms. Tarwater to accept the ALA budget for FY 13. The motion carried unanimously.
6. Consider and act upon 83rd Texas Legislative updates and program updates:
 - Mr. Jalomo provided an update on the 83rd Texas Legislative Session that includes SB7 and other related information.

No action taken.

7. Consider and act upon exploring ALA program services expansion opportunities.
 - Mr. Jalomo provided an update on the Intellectual Developmental Disabilities SB-1 Conference Committee Report (CCR) Appropriations Summary. Discussion ensued on the potential for ALA to explore program services expansion opportunities. Request members to provide ALA a vision for our contribution to our changing community.
 - Ms. Cooper motioned to accept ALA to explore expansion opportunities and establish a steering committee, seconded by Ms. Iracheta-Cruz, the motion carried unanimously.
 - Ms. Hanlon-Hillis left at 2:45 pm upon completion of voting (quorum intact)

8. Discussion and appropriate action regarding FY 2014-15 proposed rates for Community Safety Net Services.
 - Ms. Charles provided an update on General Revenue Program Census and Community Safety Net Proposed Rates with a 15% reduction Discussion ensued on all proposed rate and impact on services.
 - A motion was made by Ms. Tarwater to maintain Respite rates at the current level, seconded by Ms. Valdez. The motion carried unanimously.
 - A motion was made by Ms. Tarwater to accept the amended modifications with exception of respite rates, seconded by Ms. Iracheta-Cruz, Two (2) Neys from Ms. Cooper and Ms. Valdez, the motion carried.

9. Discussion and appropriate action regarding Request for Proposal (RFP) for Community Crisis Respite Safety Net Services.
 - Ms. Charles reviewed the current status of the expiring contract and discussed the success of the services provided by the current agency. Discussion ensued on the release of an RFP needed to continue utilizing this service and making it available for all to bid.
 - A motion was made by Ms. Iracheta-Cruz for ALA to send out an RFP for Community Crisis Respite Safety Net Services, seconded by Ms. Valdez, the motion carried unanimously.

10. Consider and act upon FY 2013 DADS Authority Wavier Reviews.
 - Ms. Sobieski reviewed the DADS Quality Assurance Authority Review held in April 2-4, 2013.
 - Ms. Garcia reviewed the Intake and Eligibility Program that included totals for Intake and DID, HCS Interest List, and Community Outreach.
 - Ms. Carter presented the DADS 40 TAC Chapter & Subchapter D, HCS Program Handout.

No action taken.

11. Community Events, News and Town Hall meetings.
 - Ms. Valdez announced the creation of a coalition on the study of determining audit cost of state/local county guardianship.
 - Ms. Canfield announced the 2013 TxP2P 9th Annual Parent Conference on July 26-27, 2013

Ms. Cooper left at 3:40, no action item.

12. Ms. Canfield announced due to the postponement of the meeting (14, May, 2013) members are requested to determine to continue on track with the next meeting on August 13 or schedule on September 10 at 1:00 pm.
 - A motion to schedule the next meeting on September 10 by Ms. Valdez, seconded by Ms. Iracheta-Cruz, the motion carried unanimously.
 - A motion to adjourn made by Ms. Valdez; seconded by Ms. Iracheta-Cruz; the motion carried unanimously.
 - Meeting adjourned at 3:55 pm.