

TRI-COUNTIES REGIONAL CENTER

TCADD Board Meeting

DATE: March 10, 2012

MINUTES

TCADD President: Bob Cobbs **In Attendance:** Justine Blevins, Julie Kahn, Michael Craig, Michael Kaszycki, Ryan Wilkinson, Marge Younce, Cathy Farrar, Robyn Adkins, Shane Hanna, Casey Hamlin, Steven Kresco, Shanti Nadiminti, Rachel Huff, Robin Rosso, Mani Gaur, Charles Devlin, Donna Moore, Omar Noorzad, Frank Bush, Lorna Owens, Dominic Namnath, Pat Forgey, Michael Nagel, Cathy Berry

ITEM	DISCUSSION	TASK	RESPONSIBLE PARTY DUE DATE
Call to Order, Ground Rules, Introduction	Meeting called to order at 9:03am, by Bob Cobbs, TCADD Board President. Introductions were made.		
Public Comment	<p>Several community members were in attendance. One community member addressed the Board during public comment, regarding his concerns about Premier Fiscal Management Service. Any person participating in the Medicaid Waiver Program is now required to have payment processed through this company for respite, transportation, and day care services. This affects approximately 1,000 of the people we serve and their families.</p> <p>Following some discussion, TCRC advised that they would work with the parent in addressing some difficulties he has encountered recently with Premier. TCRC will also be following up with Premier to do general troubleshooting. TCRC is also in the process of vrending another FMS company, Acumen, which will be made available to families as an alternative.</p>		
Approval of Consent Calendar	<p>Following a review of the consent calendar, a motion was made to accept the consent calendar, as presented, including the Board agenda for March 10, 2012, as well as the minutes from February 3, 2012, and February 18, 2012. M/S/C</p> <p>The Board also asked that in the future, a more detailed description of the number of people participating in public comment be included, as well as an overview of the topics discussed.</p>		
Board Bylaws Review	Shane Hanna, TCADD Board member, read a portion of the TCADD Bylaws as part of the ongoing Board Bylaws Review.		
Action Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Approval of FY 10/11 Financial Statements and Form 990</i> – Ron Kulek, CPA, Partner Windes, McClaughrey Accountancy Corporation, reviewed the FY 10/11 financial statements, as well as the IRS Form 990. The information was reviewed in depth at the Audit Committee meeting, and was approved to be sent to the full Board for final approval. A motion was made to accept the FY 10/11 Financial Statements and IRS 		

	<p>Form 990, as presented. M/S/C</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service Policies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Policy 11501 – Family Support Services for School-Age Children and Young Adults</i> – The policy was presented as a Notice of Action item in February 2012. After review, a motion was made to accept Service Policy 11501, as presented. M/S/C. • <i>Service Policy 17101 – Documentation Services</i> - The policy was presented as a Notice of Action item in February 2012. After review, a motion was made to accept Service Policy 17101, as presented. M/S/C. • <i>Service Policy 18000 – Self-Determination Pilot Project</i> - The policy was presented as a Notice of Action item in February 2012. After review, a motion was made to accept Service Policy 18000, as presented. M/S/C • <i>TCADD Board Policy – Approval of Contracts</i> – The TCADD Board reviewed the TCADD Board Policy – Approval of Contracts that was presented to them as a Notice of Action item in February 2012. The Board made changes to the policy at that meeting. All changes were incorporated into the current iteration of the policy. A motion was made to accept the policy, as presented at the March 10, 2012 Board meeting. M/S/C 		
<p>Executive Director’s Report Omar Noorzad, PhD</p>	<p>Dr Noorzad addressed the TCADD Board, providing a summary of the information contained in the Executive Director’s Report that was distributed. The state is facing a \$9.2 billion deficit in the coming fiscal year, FY 2012/2013, and the regional center system is facing a proposed reduction of \$200 million resulting from the trigger cut from FY 2011/2012 annualized for FY 2012/2013.</p> <p>DDS has scheduled a series of six stakeholder meetings to gather input about how best to address the \$200 million proposed reduction. They will use the information to submit a proposal to the state legislature.</p> <p>Additionally, DDS is estimating that the newly enacted SB946, requiring insurance companies to pay for some behavioral services, should result in about \$62 - \$65 million in savings to the regional center system. The most important consideration for the budget for FY 2012/2013 is whether the 4.25% payment reduction will be partially or fully restored.</p> <p>Dr Noorzad believes it would help to have stakeholders attend upcoming legislative budget hearings. The Leadership Project has been activated to allow local people served to participate in the hearings that will take place in Sacramento later in the month.</p> <p>ARCA and the regional centers are working in a concerted effort to develop suggestions and recommendations about the changes that are occurring in the regional center system in</p>		

	<p>California. This statewide group discussion is called <i>The Way Forward</i>. They are developing a white paper suggesting solutions and alternatives to ease the inevitable changes occurring in the system.</p> <p>The complete Executive Director’s report may be viewed by visiting the TCRC website, Budget Watch page.</p>		
<p>Management Report Lorna Owens, CFO</p>	<p>Lorna Owens, CFO, distributed the TCRC Management Report for March 29/12. TCRC is now seven months through the current fiscal year. The POS budget (non-CPP) for FY 11/12 was increased to \$178.8 million, per the third allocation (C-3) received from DDS in early March. TCRC anticipates further POS funding in the C-4 allocation before the end of the fiscal year.</p> <p>The monthly projection for FY 11/12 estimates POS annual expenditures to be between \$186.5 and \$188.3 million, including continued savings from the Trailer Bill initiatives.</p> <p>Given the C-3 funding received, there is a projected funding shortfall of about \$7 to \$9 million.</p> <p>For FY 11/12, TCRC has expended \$102 million in nono-CPP POS through January, with average monthly POS costs of approximately \$14.5 million. This reflects about a 1.3% decrease over FY 10/11.</p> <p>Cost saving measures in Operations have been in place for several years, and are continuing in FY 11/12 and have resulted in expenditures trending less than last fiscal year by 1.8%.</p>		
<p>Housing Report</p>	<p>Kathy Reed, President of the Board of Directors of Tri-Counties Community Housing Corporation, and Marc Belforti, Executive Director of TCCHC, provided their annual report to the TCADD Board of Directors. Their mission is to provide safe and affordable housing for the people we serve, and to acquire and maintain properties for that purpose, in perpetuity.</p> <p>TCCHC works with local city and county governments and organizations, along with TCRC, to develop funding, find suitable properties, make the homes fully accessible, and place individuals who would be well-suited to each particular environment.</p> <p>Ms Reed and Mr Belforti also provided the Board and stakeholders with a presentation and a detailed report about a newly developed soft house located in Thousand Oaks. They acquired the home as a foreclosure and were able to make significant upgrades, adaptations, and renovations to the home – all the while keeping the environment as “home-like” as possible.</p>		

ARCA CAC Report Michael Kaszycki, TCADD Board Member	Michael Kaszycki, ARCA CAC representative, provided the Board with information about the most recent ARCA CAC meeting. ARCA CAC representatives have recently discussed how to enhance employment opportunities for people with developmental disabilities throughout the state. Additionally, TBL changes were discussed, as well as the budget.		
Committee Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vendor Advisory – Thursday, March 1, 2012 (C Devlin / J White, Co-Chairs) • Services and Supports – Tuesday, March 20, 2012 (J Kahn/M Kaszycki, Co-Chairs) • Government and Community Relations – Thursday, March 8, 2012 (S Kresco, Chair) • Board Development – Tuesday, March 20, 2012 (R Rosso, Chair) • Administrative – Tuesday, March 20, 2012 (S Nadiminti, Chair) • People’s Advisory – Wednesday, March 21, 2012 (C Farrar / S Bremer, Co-Chairs) • Executive – Tuesday, March 20, 2012 (B Cobbs, Chair) 		
Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 1:11pm.		

NEXT BOARD MEETING: 9:00am, Saturday, May 5, 2012
TCRC – 505 E Montecito St – Santa Barbara