

Department of Developmental Services (DDS)
Disabilities Advisory Committee (DAC)

Meeting Minutes
Tuesday January 22, 2013
11:00 a.m.

Members Attended

Michael Januse (via telephone)
Yash Manchanda (via telephone).
Nicole Patterson (excused)

Others Attending

Kathleen Ozeroff (Via telephone)
LaDonna Brown (Via telephone)

Members Absent:

Diana Hendrickson

Yash Manchanda called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM as a guest member and was informed by Kathleen that he has been reappointed for one year and the letter will be sent to his management today.

I. Approval of Minutes

Since there was no quorum, August 2012, September 2012 and October 2012 minutes were **tabled**.

II. Old Business:

- **Disability Awareness Efforts at LDC- Yash**
“**10 Commandments**” DVD was shown to more than 100 employees, Executive Committee members, and 100+ Senior Companion/Foster Grand parents. The same DVD has also been borrowed from us and shown to managers and staff of County of Orange Social Services Agency.
- **Disability Awareness Efforts at HQs- Nicole Patterson** - Michael gave the summary on behalf of Nicole that the DVD was shown at the HQs in October. Even though the DVD is more than 10 years old, it is still relevant today. People are still having the same problems today. Hopefully with this reminder there will be better awareness.
- **DAC Goals of 2012 and 2013** – The discussion was postponed till the next meeting when hopefully there will be enough members (Old and new) to have meaningful dialog.
- **Recruitment Efforts – Nicole Patterson** – Kathleen gave the summary of current efforts on behalf of Nicole that the letter signed by the Director is going out this week for interested staff to send a note to Nicole who would forward it to the Director for possible appointment. Michael had

brought a guest Ms. LaDonna Brown. Michael said we may have another person Ms. Eunice Thacker, may also join us.

- Michael talked about meeting of SDAC, where there were no new items for us and also they have a change of officers this year. May be we will have more
- Kathleen mentioned that we did not hear any thing about “DAC of The year “ award from Association of California State Employees With Disabilities (ACSED) organization. May be will try again this year.

III **New Business:** There was no new business at the present time. However, Michael had a guest, who would be requesting to join the committee. Diana has identified one prospective member, Cindy Nelson from Sonoma and Yash has identified one prospective member Tami Wasson from Fairview who may join DAC in the near future.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a. m.

Next Meeting: February 19, 2013 at 10:30 a.m. in Room TBD (unless rescheduled)

Respectfully Submitted:

**Yash Manchanda
Acting Chairperson**

PS: MINUTES APPROVED ON MARCH 20, 2013 MEETING - YASH