

**Memorandum****Executive Committee**

(Tom Bowe, President, Ivan Johnson, Treasurer/Chair, Andrea Rueda, Secretary, Claire Lazaro, Vice President)

From: Tom Bowe, Board President

**MEETING AGENDA**

Date: **Wednesday, June 6, 2018**

Time: **6:00PM**

Place: VMRC Stockton Office – Cohen Board Room

DIAL-IN NUMBER: 1-866-299-7945

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| 1. | Review and Approval of Meeting Agenda   | Committee Action       |                   |
| 2. | Approval of Minutes of <b>May 9, 2018</b> meeting                             | Committee Action ..... | 1                 |
| 3. | Issues for Discussion   |                        |                   |
|    | a. Executive Director's Update  |                        |                   |
|    | b. Notable Consumer Incidents/Complaints                                      |                        |                   |
|    | c. Vendor Issues  |                        |                   |
|    | d. Union Update   |                        |                   |
|    | e. Self-Determination   |                        |                   |
|    | f. 2018 Communitas Award  |                        | *Committee Action |
|    | g. Slate of Officers for FY18-19  |                        | *Information Only |
|    | h. Committee Chairs for 2018-19   |                        | *Information Only |
| 4. | <b>June Board Meeting Agenda</b><br>Consent:<br><u>Information/Education:</u> |                        |                   |
| 5. | Approval to Waive One-Month Information Period                                |                        |                   |
| 6. | Next Meeting – <b><u>To Be Announced</u></b>                                  |                        |                   |
| 7. | Adjournment   |                        |                   |

**\*Information to Follow**

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**Valley Mountain Regional Center  
Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, May 8, 2018**

**Present:**

Tom Bowe, President  
Andrea Rueda, Secretary  
Ivan Johnson, Treasurer  
Margaret Heinz, Chair Consumer Services Committee  
Tony Anderson, VMRC Executive Director  
Jan Maloney, VMRC Executive Assistant/Meeting Recorder

**Via Conference Call:**

Claire Lazaro, Vice President

**Absent:** None

**Visitor:** Yolanda Rueda, Facilitator for Andrea Rueda

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Committee Actions noted in bold.

Tom Bowe, brought the meeting to order at 6:37pm

1. Review and Approval of Agenda

**M/S/C (LAZARO/JOHNSON) to approve the agenda as amended, noting the next committee meeting will be on June 6, 2018.**

2. Review and Approval of Minutes of April 4, 2018

**M/S/C (RUEDA/LAZARO) to approve the minutes as presented.**

3. Issues for Discussion

a. Executive Director's Update:

Tony reported all employees are undertaking Person Centered Thinking and Person Centered Planning, to infuse ideals throughout the whole organization. Certain employees have been trained as trainers. After employees have all been trained, it will be opened to vendors.

The agency-wide Training and Initiative is continuing, with 12 different sub-groups. The focusing on the first training each group needs to do, followed by the Policies and Procedures in-house.

VMRC has been awarded the Mental Services Act grant, and the organizing committee is just starting up. Barbara Johnson is chairing this committee and with more information to follow, the dates for joint meetings are 23 and 24 October.

Tony presented information on the new rules and changes for Home and Community Based Services, at St. Joseph's Hospital. Tony will also present to VMRC staff so they can see the impact of the changes.

Tony attempted to attend the Transition Fair in the Foothills today, but the road was closed due to a collision. He will attend the Transition Fair in Amador County tomorrow, and there will be another fair in Tuolumne County toward the end of the month. The Stockton and Modesto Transition Fairs were very successful.

Tony attended the Statewide Early Start Council meeting. The meeting focused on policy related to Early Start programs. A few staff members attended the statewide conference for Early Start, and gave a presentation on what VMRC is doing that is unique to help improve the social and emotional development. VMRC has been recognized for some time for their good work in this area.

The Legislative Committee gave a budget presentation to 70 people at VMRC in Stockton. The event was well attended and was also broadcast on Facebook Live. This reached 407 people and there were 27 comments throughout the presentation, with 111 activity clicks. Board Member, Moe Rashid, did a presentation at the Self-Advocacy Conference this year. It was also broadcast via Facebook Live. Quite a few board members were in attendance and were saying good things about being on the VMRC Board of Directors.

b. Notable Consumer Incidents/Complaints:

One of VMRC's consumers had a problem in the lobby of the Stockton Office, and the lobby was quickly evacuated. VMRC wasn't as fast to react as they should have been

and police weren't called early enough. VMRC has decided to get a restraining order against the consumer, for the safety of employees and the public.

c. Vendor Issues:

There were no vendor issues to discuss this month.

d. Union Update:

VMRC has already put together a proposal for changes in the contract, and is waiting to present to the union, once their negotiating team has been established.

e. Self-Determination Committee:

Claire Lazaro has arranged for DDS personnel to visit VMRC's Stockton office to do some presentations on self-determination. So far over 100 people have registered, plus people have asked to see it via Facebook Live. Interpreters have been lined up and the documentation will also be presented in Spanish. Parents of adult consumers with IDD are now able to be the independent facilitator, as are providers, but if a provider is chosen, it cannot be the same provider who is provides services. It has to be an independent provider.

f. 2018 Communitàs Award:

Nomination forms have been distributed to the community via Constant Contact, and the deadline to receive nominations is Friday, May 18. The award is presented annually to an individual or organization that has demonstrated a commitment that people with developmental disabilities should live and work as full-fledged members of their home communities. Five nominations have been received so far.

g. Nominating Committee:

Tom has asked Kori Heuvel to act as the Nominating Committee Chair. There is a Slate of Officers, and that will be taken to the board in June for approval.

Tom presented the proposal for board and committee meetings for FY2018-19. The goal is to hold Board meetings would take place in each of VMRC's 5-county catchment area. The goal for the first year is to hold one meeting in Modesto with the balance being held in Stockton. Board meetings and Committee meetings would alternate months, beginning with the Annual Board Meeting and Dinner for board members in July. Claire will be chairing Monday's board meeting and she will present the schedule for discussion this month and for a vote in June.



h. Committee Chairs for FY2018-19:

Committee Chair positions were discussed and Tom will approach certain board members with regard to chairing the various committees.

4. Other Matters

Following the whistleblower investigation, one of the attorney's recommendations was to train new board members to give a better understanding of the board's role in relationship to the whistleblower policy and day to day operations at VMRC. There will also need to be some staff training on whistleblowers to understand what truly is a whistleblower and what isn't.

5. Approval to Waive One-Month Information Period:

There was no need to waive the one-month information period this month.

6. Next Meeting:

The next Executive Committee meeting is set for Wednesday, June 6, 2018 at 6:00pm at VMRC in Stockton.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15pm