

**A.B. & JESSIE POLINSKY CHILDREN'S CENTER  
ADVISORY BOARD  
9400-B Ruffin Court  
San Diego, CA 92123**

**PCC MEETING NO. 130  
November 20, 2013 – 12 PM**

**Minutes**

**Present:**

**BOARD MEMBERS:** Larry Richman, Vice Chair  
Lesley McClelland  
Lois Fong-Sakai  
Denise Capozzi

**REGULAR ATTENDEES:** Rea Alvarez

**GUEST(S):** Carol St. Cook, Polinsky Children's Center  
Diane Sutherland, Promises2Kids

**Call to Order**

- Larry Richman, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:02 PM.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

**I. Public Comments**

There were no public comments to be heard.

**II. Introductions**

- Diane Sutherland, Director of Development, attending on behalf of Tonya Torosian of Promises2Kids.
- Carol St. Cook, Manager, attending on behalf of Fran Cooper of the Polinsky Children's Center.
- Denise Capozzi, new PCC Advisory Board Member, appointed by Judge Carolyn Caietti of San Diego Juvenile Court.

**III. Approval of Minutes**

- Meeting minutes from September 25, 2013 were approved as submitted.
- The approval was moved by Lois Fong-Sakai and seconded by Lesley McClelland.

**IV. Review 2014 Meeting Dates**

The upcoming meeting dates for 2014 are as follows:

- January 22, 2014
- March 26, 2014
- May 28, 2014
- July 23, 2014
- September 24, 2014
- November 19, 2014

V. **Management / Program Update**

The population at PCC is at 43 as of November 20, 2013.

**\*ACTION ITEMS ADDRESSED\***

**ACTION ITEM:**

- Norma Rincon to prepare a master calendar and confirm dates of the upcoming holiday activities for the children at PCC.

**OUTCOME:**

- Information shared in Agenda Item V: Management / Program(s) Update Section C Activities and Events.

**ACTION ITEM:**

- Stephanie Gioia Beckman reported, the San Pasqual Alumni Report had just completed. A copy of the the report will be emailed to the PCC Advisory Board Members.

**OUTCOME:**

- A copy of the report was emailed to the PCC Advisory Board on September 26, 2013.

a) Facilities Updates

- The light fixtures in the Intake Area and the hallway leading to Medical have been replaced.
- HomeAid will be painting and remodeling the Intake Area and the hallway leading to Medical.
- A mural is scheduled to be painted on the wall of the hallway leading to Medical.
- The final phase of the remodel will include new carpet and furniture.

b) Staffing Updates

- None to report.

c) Activities and Events

Halloween

- Each cottage was decorated by the residents and staff.
- Children dressed in costumes and went trick-or-treating in the offices.
- The festivities concluded with a Halloween Carnival at 5 PM.

Thanksgiving

- Chef Isa has ordered turkeys for each cottage and will be preparing traditional Thanksgiving dishes.
- Family-style Thanksgiving dinner will be served in the cottages.

December Activities/Events

- The Toby Wells Foundation will be hosting a Walmart shopping spree for the children and will be donating fresh holiday trees for each cottage.
- The PCC Auxiliary will continue to host a holiday tree decorating activity.

- A Santa visit from the VFW is also scheduled.

**ACTION ITEM:**

- The December activities will be emailed to the PCC Advisory Board as soon as the dates have been confirmed.
- Rea Alvarez will email toy-sorting days for any one who wants to sort toys or students who want to earn volunteer hours during the holidays.

**VI. Promises2Kids**

a) Activities and Events

Gucci Charity Event

- A private charity event took place at the Gucci retail store in Fashion Valley on October 17, 2013.
- Ten percent of the proceeds were donated to Promises2Kids; \$9,000 was donated to Guardian Scholars.

Shopping Spree

A donor donated \$250,000; there will be four shopping events for foster youth in December:

*Tuesday, December 10, 2013 from 4 PM to 7 PM*

- Costco – San Marcos
- Walmart – Chula Vista

*Saturday, December 14, 2013 from 9 AM to 12 PM*

- Walmart – Kearny Mesa (Shawline Street)

*Tuesday, December 17, 2013 from 4 PM to 7 PM*

- Costco – Mission Valley

*Friday, December 20, 2013 from 4 PM to 7 PM*

- Walmart – Mission Valley

Toy Drive

- Stephanie Trolinger will be coordinating volunteers to help sort and separate toys on December 13, 2013 and December 17, 2013.
- The toy drive is effective as of November 20, 2013 until December 20, 2013.

b) New Business

Spring Walk

- A 5K walk in the spring is currently being planned.

Summer Concert Gala

- The annual summer concert gala is scheduled for June 2014.
- The venue will be at the residence of Joan Waitt.

- More details to follow.

Golf Tournament

- There will be a Golf Tournament at the La Jolla Country Club on September 15, 2014.

**VII. Next Meeting Date / Time**

- Wednesday, January 22, 2014 at 12 PM.

**VIII. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 12:53 PM.

*Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Rea Alvarez //rva*

APPROVED