

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY  
SOCIAL SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD (SSAB)**

**Held Via WebEx  
(470) 238-5742 US Toll  
Meeting number (access code): 133 881 2484  
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**SSAB Meeting Minutes  
March 10, 2021**

**Members Present**

Jan Spencley  
Anahid Brakke  
Buck Martin  
James Floros  
Gary Knight  
Rachel Morineau  
Vino Pajanor  
Keara Pina  
Greg Anglea

**Members Absent**

None

**Staff Present**

Rick Wanne, Director Self-Sufficiency Services  
Albert Banuelos, HHSA  
Adriana Ramirez, HHSA  
Allison Boyer, HHSA  
Assmaa Elayyat, HHSA  
Ida Bell, HHSA  
Claudia Gurrola, HHSA  
David Hopkins, HHSA  
Kyle Sand, County Counsel

**Guests**

Brittany Boiko, Legal Aid Society  
Julie Lewin, Legal Aid Society  
Devin Ton, Feeding San Diego  
Ivonne Velazquez, Hospital Association of San Diego  
Lindsey Wade, Hospital Association of San Diego  
Joseph Shumate, San Diego Hunger Coalition  
Amanda Schulz Brochu, San Diego Hunger Coalition

1. Meeting called to order via WebEx at 9:34 by Chair, James Floros.
2. The December 9, 2020 meeting minutes were approved, with all Board Members present voting yes.
3. Public Comments on Items not listed on the Agenda:
  - No public comment

<b>ACTION/INFORMATION ITEMS:</b>	
4.	Action Item: Nomination and Selection of the 2021 SSAB Chair and Vice Chair. Anahid Brakke was elected as 2021 Chair (7 yes, 1 no, 1 abstain) against 1 <sup>st</sup> candidate nomination James Floros. Vino Pajanor was elected as 2021 Vice-Chair (6 yes, 1 no, 1 abstain) against 1 <sup>st</sup> candidate nomination Gary Knight.
5.	Information Item: Overview and Training on the Ralph M. Brown Act: San Diego County Counsel. Mr. Kyle Sand provided information on the Ralph M. Brown Act's history, how the Act accomplishes its purpose, and answered questions from the Board members pertaining to public comment, Social Media use, and a future bill to loosen the teleconference rules.
6.	Information Item: Update on Local Response to COVID19 Emergency for all Public Assistance Programs, Waivers, Enrollment, Service Delivery, Data: Assmaa Elayyat, Chief, Eligibility Operations, Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA). Ms. Elayyat provided program flexibilities/waiver updates including permanent online applications via MyBenefits CalWIN and the removal of the General Relief lien. Self-sufficiency program data and performance summary for February 2021 were also shared.
7.	Action Item: Review of 2020 Strategic Goals, Strategic Goals for 2021, and Annual Report to the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Rick Wanne provided a brief overview of the upcoming Report to the Board of Supervisors to be submitted for 2020. Strategic Goals for 2021 will be discussed during the next meeting on April 14, 2021.

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***ADJOURNMENT/SET NEXT MEETING:***

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m. Next regular meeting will be held on April 14, 2021 Via WebEx.