

## **RAC Agenda Notes**

### **Region Six**

July 12, 2023

**Trisha Israel**

*Chairperson*

**Doris Aduze**

*Vice Chairperson*

**Linda Howard**

*Secretary*

### **Roll Call**

Trisha Israel called the meeting to order and began with a roll call. There were 14 participants present for today's meeting. The agenda and minutes from May 10 were approved after a motion was presented and seconded. Chairperson Trisha Israel, Vice Chairperson Doris Aduze, Secretary Linda Howard, and Alternate Janet Bussey were all filled, leaving one alternate position open.

### **DBHDD Reports**

Filling in for Valona Baldwin is Natalie Prater, with two updates:

#### **IDD/DD health**

1. The Federal Government will end the Public Health Emergency Appendix K by sunset on or near November 12, 2023.
2. The Comp Waiver program manual has been updated to include changes regarding Family Caregiver hire through Traditional DVA CD providers and CLS provisions within individual or family-owned homes when a family caregiver is hired.

#### **Behavior Health**

Ann Riley's update:

They are moving to a hybrid. The region field office in Region 6 started going back out to the field more, site visits, the crisis units, to outpatient clinics. They have been having in-person collaborative meetings. Ann shared that she has been back in the office a little over two months and has already visited 9 counties, as well as her staff. Working part-time, in the field part-time,

in the state office is moving back to a hybrid model. Ann shared that she is putting together some training classes for October at the West Central Georgia Regional Hospital. The training is free and offered to anyone who would like to come.

No further updates.

Valerie West and Cynthia Smith announced that this was their final meeting but will remain available to assist as needed. Valerie is a new trainer for Nominee National, training people for support groups.

Sabrina Manning-Prince will be talking with her county to see if she can be replaced because her schedule is full.

Trisha called the meeting to close. The meeting was motioned and seconded to adjourn.