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IACA Standing Committee-
Providing Opportunities for People with Disabilities
MINUTES
Friday, March 5, 2021
11:00 a.m.
Hosted Via Teleconference

I. Call to Order/Roll Call at 11:04 a.m.

Meeting called to order by DAS Chief, Eric Rood

The following standing committee members were present: Robert Fried, Ricky Johnson, Sr, Maria Aliferis-Gjerde, Cindy Smith, Tony Sauer, Catherine Campisi, Jaime Pacheco-Orozco; and Joe Xavier. All members present. DAS was represented by Eric Rood, Glen Forman, Paul Giacomotto, and Helen Bui.

II. Standing Committee Introductions:

Each member shared their past experiences, their hopes for the committee and desire to see employment opportunities for disabled workers into quality good paying apprenticeship jobs. The committee is made of an employment law attorney, a construction contractor employer, former Department of Rehabilitation Directors, Executive Director for the City of Los Angeles and executive team leaders serving on advocacy boards and commissions advancing the lives for peoples with disabilities.

III. Charter Development- Purpose and Vision

Chief Rood provided examples of current IACA charters with other IACA standing committees. Each committee member contributed their thoughts of how best to develop the charter. DOR Director Xavier stated our mission comes down to three things: employment, employment and employment.

IV. Committee Chair assignment

A motion and a second were made to have Robert Fried Chair the AB 1019 standing committee and Ricky Johnson, Sr. to mentor under him. All were in favor and the motion carried.

V. Committee Assignments

DAS Chief Rood spoke about how DOR Director Xavier and State Council on Developmental Disability Deputy Chief Smith would like to see our committee members attend other IACA standing committees, which include industry specific committees: Information Technology, Healthcare and Advanced Manufacturing, plus committees focused on Civil Service, Equal Employment Opportunity and Pre-Apprenticeship. Chairperson Fried stated that he could attend the Advanced Manufacturing subcommittee. Committee member Aliferis-Gjerde stated she could attend the healthcare subcommittee. Committee member Pacheco-Orozco stated he was interested in the civil service subcommittee, but wanted to Chief Rood to reach out.

VI. Good of the Order

Committee members wanted more than 60 minutes for the next meeting. The group believed 90-minute sessions would provide enough time to discuss charter development.

VII. Next Meeting- To be determined

DAS will send out a doodle poll for dates in April for the next meeting.

VII. Adjournment

Committee adjourned the meeting at 12:29 pm.