



South Central Los Angeles
Regional Center
for persons with developmental disabilities, inc.

SOUTH CENTRAL LOS ANGELES REGIONAL CENTER
Remote Zoom Meeting
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
Tuesday March 24th, 2026
7:00pm – 9:00pm

Members Present:

Sherry Kidd	Cedron McKnight
Teyanna Williams	Christella Frutos
Norma Hernandez	Jesus Murillo
Illona Hendrick	Deicy Sandoval
Mireya Romero	Julio Lopez
Caycee Ricketts	Giovanna Brasfield
Renard Stanford	

Members Absent:

Cynthia Torres – excused
Magali Ochoa
Ogechi Ikhile – excused

Staff Present:

I. General

- Board Vice President, Sherry Kidd (acting President for the next few months) opened Tuesday, March 24th, 2026, Board of Directors Meeting attended via Zoom with roll call.

A. Call to Order and Roll Call

- Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by Board Vice President Sherry Kidd.

B. Approval of BOD Meeting Minutes of January 27th, 2026

Board Action:

Approved BOD minutes – January 27th, 2026

M/S/C: Christella Frutos/ Norma Hernandez/ Unanimous

II. Board Members Reports

A. Executive Committee – Sherry Kidd

The Executive Committee team met on February 23rd to review B3 language change (updates to Article 1 item 10 along with item 6). Legal issue updates and Board Training Plans were discussed; new board member responsibilities were assigned. New board members start date 03/24/2026. Sherry Kidd announced she would be interim Board President for the next few months. Information about the next meeting was not provided.

B. Supportive Services Committee – Renard Stanford

The Supportive Services Committee met on February 9th. The meeting was held remotely via Zoom. SSC team had a vote to add Giovanna Brasfield, Jesus Murillo and Shavon Codio to SSC (which was approved). Kiara Lopez presented the SSC team with various resources that can be provided to SCLARC patients/families. Cesar Garcia spoke out about early intervention studies that can be provided at school to help support the children. SCLARC provides advocacy support when there has been a violation, vendors may assist parents with IEP meetings along with filing any complaints if necessary. Instructions were provided to attend the next SSC meeting which will be held as of April 13th, 2026, from 6pm to 7:30pm.

C. Vendor Advisory Committee – Ilona Hendrick

The Vendor Advisory Committee met on March 11th, 2026, from 10am – 12pm, new changes were implemented, the biggest hurdle the VAC team has to complete would be the QIPS and reassuring surveys are being submitted to DDS who has also implemented a benchmark for the vendors to continue receiving their 10% increase. Vendors who do not complete the surveys will have the opportunity to complete them as required given a deadline. VAC team would like to stay in contact with our regional center, email and number have been kept the same, they would like to make sure if any questions or concerns are being brought up, they can respond within the appropriate timeframe.

Board Action:

Approval of VAC Membership Effective 3/24/26 – 3/24/29

M/S/C: Giovanna Brasfield/ Julio Lopez/ Unanimous

D. Recruitment and Training Committee – Sherry Kidd

The Recruitment and Training Committee met remotely via Zoom on March 2nd, 2026. During this meeting the team went over the training schedule for the year, they proposed Zoom training and in person training for different occasions. The only action needed for this meeting was either an approval or any adjustments. The next R & T committee meetings for 2026 will be held June 1st, September 7th, and December 7th.

E. Advocate Advisory Committee – Caycee Ricketts & Renard Stanford

The Advocate Advisory Committee met on February 23rd, 2026, for this meeting the team had Jeremy Murphy (Deaf Hard of Hearing Coordinator at SCLARC) speak to them about sign language and the deaf culture. Jeremy provided AAC team with examples of how to assist deaf community. Wesley Witherspoon (Advocate at USC Children Hospital) also had the chance to speak to AAC team about self-love and finding tools that will work for you. Next meeting information was not provided.

F. Finance Committee – Teyanna Williams

The Finance Committee met on March 17, 2026. The team reviewed the financial statements as of January 31, 2026, along with the following items: the FY 2025–26 B-3 contract language amendment and the FY 2025–26 B-4 allocation.

In addition, the committee reviewed SCLARC’s email retention policy, which became effective January 1, 2026, and applies to all staff. The team also received general updates on rate reform initiatives, including the HH component due at the end of February, SC875 transportation, which establishes a new rate methodology consisting of two components: a flat vehicle rate and a mileage rate. Lastly, the committee received an update on the implementation of Laserfiche, noting that the department is in the final stages of establishing its retention policies.

III. Staff Reports

A. AGT Independent Audit – Ellyn Bruce

Kyla Lee introduced Ellyn Bruce, who summarized the results of SCLARC’s financial statement audit on behalf of AGT. This marked AGT’s third year conducting SCLARC’s audit. Ellyn confirmed that SCLARC received a clean, unmodified audit opinion, with no issues identified.

Additionally, Ellyn reported that SCLARC has Conflict of Interest and Whistleblower policies in place that meet all applicable requirements.

Approval of the draft Independent Auditor’s Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, as well as the Form 990 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, was requested from the Board of Directors.

Board Action:

Approval of Audit – June 30th, 2025

M/S/C: Jesus Murillo/ Julio Lopez/ Unanimous

Board Action:

Approval of Form 990 – June 30th, 2025

M/S/C: Jesus Murillo/ Julio Lopez/ Unanimous

B. Budget Update and Finance Report (January 2026) – Kyla Lee

Statement of Financial Position: As of January 2026, SCLARC's statement of financial position shows a cash balance of \$115 million, representing an increase of \$32 million compared to January of the prior year (\$84 million). Management noted the increase is due to the organization’s reimbursement-based contract structure with the State.

Statement of Activities: SCLARC has been allocated \$82 million for operations, with \$44 million (54%) spent to date and \$37 million projected for the remainder of the fiscal year. For Purchase of Services (POS), \$765 million was allocated, with \$406 million spent to date, with an additional \$312 million projected, leaving \$46 million allocated but not yet encumbered.

POS Expenditure Projection Summary: The Purchase of Services (POS) Expenditure Projection Summary submitted to the State reflects SCLARC's estimated POS expenditure based on current spending trends, including late invoices and unbilled services. Current projected POS expenditures total approximately \$720 million.

Board Action:

Approval of B-3 Language Revisions

M/S/C: Teyanna Williams/ Norma Hernandez/ Unanimous

Board Action:

Approval of B-4 Amendment

M/S/C: Teyanna Williams/ Norma Hernandez/ Unanimous

Board Action:

Approval of PRA Retention Policy

M/S/C: Teyanna Williams/ Caycee Ricketts/ Unanimous

C. NCI Data and Performance Contract - Tamilyn Bonney

Directives Compliance Manager Tamilyn shares with the team how SCLARC provides meaningful support to families and children, there are opportunities that remain to improve communication, service access, and awareness of the available resources. SCLARC addresses any findings through service reviews, community events and any ongoing research. Our organization ensures that families understand their rights including filing any complaints if necessary and how to access advocacy support through OCRA resources, we also assist with supporting

D. HDO Home Presentation - Cherylle Mallinson & Jesse Rocha

Director of Community Services Cherylle Mallinson explained how for the HDO services a proposal is submitted and an approval is awaited, to receive funding for affordable and sustainable housing for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities receiving services from regional centers. HDO may sometimes also purchase real property through the "Buy-it-once" program. Jesse Rocha Director of Adult Services provided examples of HDO Homes and the individuals placed in these residences. The individuals vary in age were discharged from the Lanterman Developmental Center. Their diagnoses include profound intellectual disabilities, paranoid schizophrenia, cerebral palsy, epilepsy and various chronic medical conditions. These homes provide specialized medical care tailored to each individual's needs, including 24-hour nursing support to address ongoing medical needs. Staff are specially trained to manage complex medical conditions while also assisting residents with activities of daily living and mobility needs. The homes are designed to ensure that individuals remain safe, healthy and stable while living in the community.

E. Connecting with SCLARC - Jenice Turner

Jenice Turner provided the board members with various examples of how anyone can connect with SCLARC team, connecting with the team can be trying to contact a service coordinator or receiving information for services, training, meetings or just general questions/concerns. SCLARC has a family portal

app where parents can reach out to, you can also connect with us through email or voicemail, and our staff will reach out within an appropriate timeframe.

F. Early Intervention Study – California State University Long Beach - Cesar Garcia

Cesar Garcia was able to partner up with Dr. Barbara Kaplan – assistant professor and Director of community Autism research for Equality Lab in which she is looking to partner with organizations that provide early intervention services that are specifically addressing social communication autism. During his research Cesar realized SCLARC qualifies to be part of this study. The targeted age for these individuals will be between the 12 months – 35 months, eligible participants must complete an online survey determining their eligibility. Any information collected through the survey will be kept private and secure, trained staff are to follow strict confidential rules.

Board Action:

Approval of SCLARC vendors to participate in the Early Intervention Study

M/S/C: Norma Hernandez/ Giovanna Brasfield/ Unanimous

Meeting was adjourned at 9:46pm.

Next Board Meeting will take place as of May 26th, 2026.

Submitted By:

Ingrid Oliva
Executive Administrative

Date

Approved By:

Norma Hernandez
Board Secretary

Date