



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

SOUTH CENTRAL LOS ANGELES REGIONAL CENTER

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

January 28th, 2020

7:00pm – 9:00pm

President, Wanda Cathran, opened the **January 28th, 2020 Board of Directors Meeting** with roll call:

Members Present:

Ascary Navarro	Illona Hendricks	Stephanie Arlaud
Ashlei Sullivan	Jesus Murillo	Teyanna Williams
Diana Ugalde-Lara	Mayra Morales	Wanda Cathran
Haiza Martinez	Raul Munoz	
Hazel Lozano	Sherita Rogers	

Members Excused:

DeShawn Kelly

Staff Present:

Abraham Flores	Jesse Rocha	Naomi Hagel
Charles White	Karmell Walker	Norma Ortiz
Deanna Corbin	Kim Bowie	Odulia Juarez
Desiree Boykin	Kimberly Bernardez	Sarai Cruz
Dexter Henderson	Kyla Lee	Ted Bilbao

Public: (From sign in sheet)

Alejandra Parra	Gabriela Diaz	Marta Alvarado
Amanda Arambula	Hayde Carpio	Martha Gaseon
Amanda Ibarra	Herlinda Rodriguez	Mercedes Martinez
Amanda Reyes	Imelda Jimenez	Nikisia Simmons
Ana Pineda	Irma Arroyo	Patsy Verduzo
Ana Tamayo	Janice Graciano	Rosita Hernandez
Angelica Orellana	Juana Avila	Sandra Dominguez
Ashbinah Coney	Juana Colin	Sandra MArchelli
Carla Vega	Kamilton Levies	Sara Martinez
Carmelita Martinez	Kanna Salduna	Silvia Diaz
Claudia Velasquez	Leticia Tejeda	Tracy Williams
David Gonzalez	Magali Ochoa	Uvence Martinez
Delores Farmer	Margarita Garcia	Veronica Moser
Donna Broadnax	Maria Fausto	Ana De Silva
Edeberta Valle	Maria Lopez	
Esperanza Rojas	Maria Moreno	
Yesenia Madrid	Zeraida Ramirez	

Approval of BOD Meeting Minutes

Board Action:

Stephanie Arlaud made a motion to approve the November 19th, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting minutes, Hazel Lozano seconded, motion unanimously approved.

Annual Board Elections

Annual Board Elections will now be made on May 26th, 2020. During the Board meeting, a ballot will be handed out.

Approval of SCLARC Mission Statement Amendment

Board Action:

Stephanie Arlaud made a motion to amend the SCLARC Mission Statement from “our consumers” to “the individuals we serve.” Ascary Navarro seconded, motion unanimously approved.

Ratification of Board CoI Statements and Whistle Blower Policy

Board Action:

Stephanie Arlaud made a motion to approve the ratification of the Board CoI Statements and Whistle Blower policy. Raul Munoz seconded, motion unanimously approved.

Board Advisory Committee

The Board Chair, Wanda Cathran, summarized the intent of the Committee. The role of the Board Advisory Committee shall provide guidance, recommendations and technical assistance to SCLARC’s board in order to assist the center in carrying out its mandated functions. Generally, the committee should consist of 3-5 members.

Three of the four members were introduced and presented a brief description of themselves.

The proposed members are as follows:

Veronica Moser, Ana De Silva, Teyanna Williams and Alfredo Farfan

Executive Committee Report – Wanda Cathran

Wanda Cathran gave an overview of the Executive Committee Meeting held November 14th, 2019.

Consumer Services Committee – Raul Munoz

Raul Munoz gave an overview of the Consumer Services Committee (CSC) meeting held December 9th, 2019.

The committee received a detailed update from Maura Gibney on the Self-Determination program, as well as information on the Partners for Children South L.A. program supporting young children.

Jesse Rocha also addressed the committee presenting an organizational chart and the 2020 goals for DCAS.

The CSC meeting is held the second Monday of every other month from 6:00pm – 7:30pm at SCLARC, 2500 S. Western Avenue, 4th Floor; Legacy Community Room 435.

Vendor Advisory Committee – Illona Hendricks

Illona Hendricks reported on the Vendor Advisory Committee (VAC) meeting held January 8th, 2020.

The committee discussed the general rules and regulations the Los Angeles Convention Center set in place for the Vendor Fair.

Kim Bowie provided updates on the Bridge Funding, as well as information on the temporary rate increases for specific vendor codes.

The VAC meets the second Wednesday of every month from 10:00am – 12:00pm at SCLARC, 2500 S. Western Avenue, 4th Floor; Legacy Community Room 435.

Advocate Advisory Committee – Ascary Navarro

Ascary Navarro gave an overview of the Advocates Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting held November 18th, 2019.

The committee discussed changing the official name of the committee. SCLARC is a person thinking agency and using the term “consumer” is outdated. The name will now be changed to “Advocate Advisory Committee” or the “AAC.”

The CAC meeting is held on the fourth Monday of each month from 10:00am – 12:00pm at SCLARC, 2500 S. Western Avenue, 4th Floor; Legacy Community Room 435.

Finance Committee – Stephanie Arlaud

Stephanie Arlaud gave an overview of the Finance Committee meeting held January 15th, 2020.
(Please see Budget Update and Finance Report below)

The Finance Committee meets on the third Wednesday, of every other month, the week prior to SCLARC’s BOD meeting.

Directors and Staff Reports

Budget Update and Finance Report – Kyla Lee

Kyla Lee presented to the board the financial statements as of November 30th, 2019. Kyla Lee presented the Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Activities and the POS Expenditure Projection (PEP) summary. The following financial highlights were reported to the board:

The Statement of Financial Position as of November 30th, 2019 shows we have \$22,034,176 in cash compared to the same time last year when the agency had \$23,715,905. Currently, State Receivables are at \$81,898,642

compared to the same time last year where the agency received \$99,010,571. Accounts Payable has \$23,875,687 outstanding compared to last year the agency had \$20,772,210. The \$3 million difference is normal due to an

increase in the individuals we serve, resulting in additional bills. As of November 30th, the agency has a healthy balance sheet

The Statement of Activities Report shows the agency is projecting a balanced budget in operations as of November 30th, 2019. SCLARC has spent \$14,330,154 from operations and projected to spend \$26,014,323 between now and the end of the fiscal year. SCLARC has, to date, received three allocations: Preliminary, A1 and A2 totaling \$323,415,979.

The POS Expenditure Projection (PEP) summary indicates our current month projection for our annual estimated Purchase of Service (POS) Expenditures totals \$297,576,099 at a high and \$296,592,427 at the lowest.

SCLARC has received the notification of the A3 allocation, but have yet to receive the actual Contract Amendment. The total A-3 Allocation Operations and Purchase of Services total \$9,825,224.

Board Action:

Stephanie Arlaud made a motion to approve the FY 2019-2020 A3 Allocation totaling \$9,825,224. Jesus Murillo seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.

Community Services – Kim Bowie

Kim Bowie presented an update on the Home and Community Based Services Waiver “Final Rule”.

The HCBS waiver is a provision in section 1915(c) of the social security act that allows certain federal Medicaid rules to be waived. It allows individuals to receive the services necessary to live at home or in the community instead of intermediate care facilities or large institutions. Being in compliance with the “HCBS settings final rule” means compliance with new reimbursement criteria.

California must be in compliance with the final rule by March 2022.

Children and Adult Services – Jesse Rocha

Jesse Rocha presented the Data Profile and National Core Indicators for the Department of Children and Adult Services. *(Information presented is attached)*

Public Input

Claudia Velasquez:

Ms. Velasquez wanted to share her poor experience with her child’s service coordinator. She feels very uncomfortable, and not at all kind or personable when Ms. Velasquez addresses any concerns she may have as well as hangs up the phone before she has a chance to voice her thoughts. She asks that the centers invest in better training for Service Coordinators.

Silvia Diaz:

Ms. Diaz is a resident of Paramount and there are no services provided. There are no workshops, assistance, or parent groups available and asks for support in advocating and educating the city of Paramount.

Herlinda Rodriguez:

Ms. Rodriguez would like to see better communication from SCLARC programs. She receives no communication in regards to what happens with her child while in a program and does not know what actually happens behind closed doors. Ms. Rodriguez does not feel this is right.

Juana Avila:

Ms. Avila asks that the paperwork provided also be in Spanish.

Angelica Orellana:

Ms. Orellana would like Service Coordinators to provide actual support when they are a part of an IPP instead of only being present. Ms. Orellana would like support from SCLARC in assisting the individuals we serve in participation in sports, or a gym.

Ana Tamayo:

Ms. Tamayo has requested a transfer from Long Beach to SCLARC 6 months ago and nothing has been done. She has been calling and has received no feedback.

Magali Ochoa:

Ms. Ochoa thanked SCLARC for addressing the needs of our community, parents and support groups. Ms. Ochoa would like an update on the discounted Disneyland tickets.

Adjournment:

President, Wanda Cathran, adjourned the January 28th, 2020 Board of Directors Meeting at 9:00pm.

Next Meeting:

The next SCLARC Board of Directors meeting will be held March 24th, 2020 at SCLARC.

Submitted by:

Deanna Corbin
Executive Assistant

Date

Approved by:

Ascary Navarro
Board Secretary

Date