

**South Central Los Angeles Regional Center Advocates Advisory Committee**

**July 25, 2022**

**AAC Meeting Minutes**

**Members in Attendance**

Caycee Ricketts  
Dora Trotter  
Renard Stanford  
Ana Torres  
Atayvia Roberts  
Carol Erby  
Alyssa Jackson (WRC)  
Linda Butler (WRC)  
Wesley Witherspoon (WRC)  
Todd Rubien(WRC)  
Suzanne Paggi (NLARC)  
Self- Advocates at Ideal Program  
Group setting  
Alex Phoung (ELARC)

**Others Attending**

Desiree Boykin (Advocate)  
Kimberly Rodgers (Advocate Specialists)  
Karla Melgar (Ideal Program)  
Churchill Onuselogu (SCLARC Team Leader)  
Lola Okunubi ( Ideal program)  
Monique Rembert

**Members Absent**

Raul Munoz  
Andrew Sanchez  
David Zaldivar  
Kecia Weller (WRC)  
Ascary Navarro  
Elizabeth Hedenberg (WRC)  
Esther Kelsey (WRC)

## **1. Call meeting to Order**

- a. Renard Stanford (AAC Treasurer) called the meeting to order at 10:02 am
- b. Everyone introduced themselves for this meeting
- c. ACC members approved both the agenda July and the meeting minutes for the June
- d. The Purpose of the AAC was said and stated by our AAC President Ms. Caycee Ricketts. The Ground Rules were read by our AAC Treasurer Renard Stanford
- e. ARCA CAC Report – CAC member gave their member CAC reports the chair Andreas Economplus vice chair Desiree Boykin
- f. AAC members voted for a second term Ms. Caycee Ricketts is the AAC President until July 2025 Renard Stanford AAC Treasurer is the until July 2025
- g. We are using Zoom to communicate with one another and hold our meetings during this time

## **2. Topic: Self- Advocate Alan Craig Mc Dowell**

- a. AAC members, Ideal Self- Advocates, SCLARC staff came in purple and gold to celebrate the of Alan Craig Mc Dowell December 15, 1964- July 5, 2022. Churchill explain their relationship was a caring he always remember your Birthday and was strong advocate going to Sacramento to Lobby.
- b. Karla Meglar explains he was involved at since 2003 in the Ideal choir, He loved coming to Ideal and supporting the different community events ideal had. He would give resources in purchasing Ideal t-shirt.
- c. Alan was a leader in the different programs they had at Ideal.
- d. Self- Advocates from Ideal express how much they will miss Alan. Ideal staff talk about his kindness and compassion.
- d. Self- Advocates from SCLARC WRC and ELARC all wonderful memories about Alan.
- e. Close family friend talk about his favorite restaurant Buffalo Wild Wings he like going on his Birthday December 15<sup>th</sup>
- f. There was a slideshow of Alan photos at the AAC meetings, Supported Life Conference, and different social events in the community.
- g. Treasurer Renard Stanford ended with Alan's favorite song "Man in the Mirror" by Michael Jackson

### **3. Old Business**

- a. Access services Mr. Jimmy Flores and Kristy DeHuro came to answer the AAC member's questions
- b. Access drivers don't provide snacks our allowed only for medical reasons for riders of Access drivers
- c. Access fair won't have any increase
- d. It's recommendation if you need a PCA if you're need for ASL to have them with you when riding Access.
- e. The renewal is over the phone.
- f. The mask our required Access services drivers have mask ad encourage all passengers
- g. They still monitoring no shows and cancellations.
- h. Access riders will be sharing like before Precovid-19 everyone is wearing a mask

### **4. Announcements**

- a. Our next meeting is August 22, 2022 from 10:00am-12pm on Zoom
- b. Stay safe and stay healthy
- c. Americans with Disabilities Act sign into July 26, 1990
- d. WRC CAC meeting in the park at 5pm on July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- e. AAC members wish Advocate Desiree Boykin Happy Birthday

### **5. End of the meeting**

- a. Renard Stanford (AAC Treasurer) adjourned the meeting at 11: 21am. Thank you for your support

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