

South Central Los Angeles Regional Center Advocates Advisory Committee January 24, 2022
AAC Meeting Minutes

Members in Attendance

Caycee Ricketts
Renard Standford
Dora Trotter
Ana Torres
Atayvia Roberts
Raul Munoz
Alan McDowell
Sean Davison
Carol Erby
Alex Phong (ELARC)
Linda Butler (WRC)
Todd Rubein (WRC)
Esther Kesley (WRC)
Kecia Weller (WRC)
Elizabeth Hedenberg (WRC)

Members Absent

Marcus Forte
Penelope Rodriguez
Dominique Young
Adriana Maginal

Others Attending

Desiree Boykin (Advocate)
Kimberly Rodgers(Advocate Specialists)
Jackie Armstrong (Advocate) ARC
Wendy Castillo Employment Specialist (SCLARC)
Emeralda Martinez Service Coordinator

1. Call to order

- a. Caycee Ricketts (AAC President) called the meeting to order at 10:05 am
- b. Everyone introduced themselves for this meeting
- c. ACC members approved both the December agenda and the meeting minutes for the month of November
- d. The Purpose of the AAC was said stated by our President Caycee Ricketts. The Ground Rules were read by our AAC Treasurer Renard Stanford
- e. We are using Zoom as a means to communicate with one another and also hold our meetings during this time

2. Topic: Employment discussion

- a. Ms. Jackie Armstrong Advocate from Alta Regional Center gave her personal story on finding meaningful work.
- b. Ms. Armstrong started out at shelter workshop. She realized that wasn't what she want to stay for a long time so. She went back to school to receive her A.A degree. Ms. Armstrong now works for SMUD.
- c. Ms. Wendy Castillo Employment explain how SCLARC provides variety of options for individuals want to volunteer or work . Ms Castillo explains what Paid Internship Program (PIP) and Competitive Integrated (CIE) employment is. Ms . Castillo want the self- advocates to know that SCLARC is here are support individuals in working.
- d. Self- Advocates had questions about Department of Rehabilitation and Security Office . Ms. Armstrong and Ms. Castillo answered their questions. Self- Advocates felt empowered to volunteer or work in the community.

3. Old Business

- a. AAC President Caycee Ricketts went over the Purpose of Advocates Advisory Committee ask self-advocates to explain what the means to them personally.
- b. AAC Awards 2021

c. AAC Motivational Ms. Caycee Ricketts

d. AAC Encourager Ms. Anna Torres

e. AAC Calm Mr. Ascary Navarro

f. We went also announce the Officers opening positions VP, Secretary and Sgt- At Arms were open to connect AAC President Caycee Ricketts and Advocate Desiree Boykin

4. Announcements

a. Our next meeting is March 28, 2022 from 10:00am-12pm on zoom

b. Best Buddies will February 5, 2022 and March 5, 2022

dc. Stay safe and stay healthy

5. End of the meeting

a. Renard Stanford (AAC Treasurer) adjourned the meeting at 11: 40am. Thank you for your support

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