

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

**December 19, 2022**

**AAC Meeting Minutes**

**Members in Attendance**

Renard Stanford  
Sean Davison  
Ana Torres  
Darnell Hayes  
Jacqueline Williams  
Atayvia Roberts  
Raul Munoz  
Todd Rubien (WRC)  
Linda Butler (WRC)  
Esther Kelsey (WRC)  
Alex Phuong (ELARC)

**Others Attending**

Desiree Boykin (Advocate)  
Nowana Buchanan (Advocate Specialist)

**Members Absent**

Caycee Ricketts  
Carol Erby  
Macedonia Mendoza

**1. Call Meeting to Order**

- a. Renard Stanford (AAC Treasurer) called the meeting to order at 10:05 am
- b. Everyone introduced themselves for this meeting
- c. ACC members approved the minutes for November
- d. The Ground rules were read by our AAC Treasurer Renard Stanford
- e. Desiree gave the SSAN report the new officers started this month

## **2. Topic: Remembering 2022**

- a. AAC Treasurer Renard reviewed the topics we discussed this year.
- b. AAC members also discuss what they will be doing for Christmas
- c. AAC members review all the topics discuss this year
- d. AAC Officer Stanford also mention our friend the late Alan Mc Dowell
- e. AAC members went around to say what like about 2022
- f. Advocate Specialist Nowana Buchanan also talks about how much she enjoys working with all the AAC members.
- g. AAC members send positive thoughts to one of the AAC members
- h. Advocate Desiree Boykin thanked everyone for their time and attending the meeting.

## **3. Old Business**

The topic was Gratefulness

- a. Atayvia said gratefulness to her was not taking anything for granted
- b. Being okay the way things are and accept the pain because you are still here and living
- c. Darnell said lovely family and his sister, Christ, mom, and clothes he was grateful for
- d. Jackie said she Thank God and is grateful for her family, her niece and she is still here
- e. Esther said she is grateful for waking up this morning
- f. Sharing what you have for others who may not have
- g. Linda said she was grateful for the people around her, her life, and the Lanterman Act
- h. Everyone spoke on Thanksgiving and the dishes they were going to enjoy such as:
- l. Mac & cheese, greens, dressing, yams, and lots of deserts
- j. Some people will be going to their loved one house for Thanksgiving
- k. Everyone said they will be eating plenty of tasty food
- l. Everyone enjoyed the holiday dinner at The Golden Corral on Saturday, November 18th joined by The AAC members and Nowana who picked everyone up for the evening. They were all grateful

## **4. Announcements**

- a. Our next meeting is January 23, 2023, from 10:00am-12pm

- b. Best Buddies will resume next year 2023
- c. Enjoy the holiday season
- d. Stay safe and stay healthy

**5. End of the meeting**

Renard Stanford (AAC Treasurer) adjourned the meeting at 11:15 am.

Thank you for your support

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