

North Los Angeles County Regional Center
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
November 26, 2013

Present: Yolanda Bosch, Craig Girard, Jenean Glover, Sharoll Jackson, Eric Leh, and Meredith Rimmer – Committee Members
Diane Ambrose, Jennifer Kaiser, Michele Marra, and Vini Montague – Staff Members

Absent: All present

I. Call to Order

Eric Leh, president, called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

II. Public Input -- There was no public input.

III. Consent Items

A. Approval of Revised Agenda

Copies of the revised agenda were provided and additional changes were made.

M/S/C (Y. Bosch/J. Glover) To approve the revised agenda as modified.

B. Approval of Minutes from October 30th Meeting

M/S/C (J. Glover/C. Girard) To approve the minutes as presented.

IV. Committee Business

A. Board Budget vs. Expenditures

The fourth line item in the board budget (participation on meetings and events not ARCA-related) has gone over its approved budget by \$10.66. Vini recommended that \$1,000 be transferred from the sixth line item (respite support) to the fourth line item to cover future expenses in that category.

M/S/C (Y. Bosch/J. Glover) To approve the transfer of \$1,000 from line item six to line item four in the board budget.

B. Board Member Conflict of Interest Resolution Plan Process

A board member disclosed a conflict of interest as defined by regulation; therefore a conflict of interest resolution plan was developed and presented to the Executive Committee for approval due to time constraints. Additionally, a board member conflict of interest resolution plan process was developed and will be presented to the Board of Trustees during the January 2014 meeting.

Action: Both the board member resolution plan and resolution plan process will be discussed in executive session at the conclusion of tonight's meeting.

C. VAC Employment First Philosophy & Policy Statement

(This agenda item is being addressed by the board's Consumer Services Committee.)

D. Lanterman Coalition Wage Letter

(This agenda item is being addressed by the board's Government & Community Relations Committee.)

E. New Horizons' "Partner for Independence Award"

The center is being honored by New Horizons for this award at their 60th anniversary celebration party. The party will be held Thursday, March 20th, on the yacht club and on the FantaSea yacht in Marina del Rey.

Action: Board members should save the date for New Horizons' 60th anniversary party if they are able to attend.

F. Approval of Contract with Pacific Child & Family Association

M/S/C (Y. Bosch/C. Girard) To approve the contract with the Pacific Child & Family Association, per the Administrative Affairs Committee's recommendation, on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

G. Finalize Agenda for the January 8th Board Meeting

The committee finalized the agenda for the next board meeting, which will be held at the center's new Santa Clarita Valley office.

V. Center Operations

A. The Institute for Applied Behavior Analysis (IABA) Appeal

IABA is a NLACRC service provider. Although they submitted a copy of their 2012 audit to us, they did not have an audit done in 2011. State law requires that they submit an audit to us each year, starting in 2011. If they do not submit them to us, we must de-vendor them. They appealed our decision to de-vendor them to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) who upheld our decision. The requirement to have audits done by our providers has been a hardship on them because they are costly. IABA services some very challenging consumers with behavioral service needs and we would not want to lose them as a provider.

B. Self-Determination Task Force

Terri Delgadillo, DDS director, has put together a 16-member task force that will be “fleshing out” how the new self-determination program will be implemented. The Association of Regional Center Agencies (ARCA) Board had a conference call and there was heated discussion about this because the task force only includes 2 regional center directors. Their first meeting will be held Thursday, December 5th, and 1 of the 2 regional center directors on the task force will be on vacation that week and unable to attend. A question was brought up as to whether or not there was language in the self-determination bill (SB 468) that included DDS’s authority to establish a task force and name its members.

Action: Michele will review the self-determination bill (SB 468) and find out whether or not there was language included authorizing DDS to establish a task force and name its members and will report back at the next Executive Committee meeting.

Craig felt it would be beneficial if interested parties could listen in to the task force meetings.

VI. Announcements / Information Items

A. Slate of Officers for FY 2014-15

Yolanda reported that board members were asked to complete officer interest forms so the Nominating Committee will know who wants to serve as an officer next fiscal year. The slate will be established earlier than usual because she wants the new incoming officers to begin participating in the Executive Committee meetings. Yolanda, Eric, Craig, and Sharoll will all be terming off the board in June.

B. Housing Committee

We needed another board member to serve on the Housing Committee because Eric and Sharoll will be leaving the committee when their terms end in June and we need continuity. Tavia Wooley volunteered to begin serving on that committee.

C. Complete Meeting Evaluations

Eric asked the committee members to please complete evaluation forms after the meeting and submit them to him with any comments.

D. Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 29th, at 7:15 p.m. (no December meeting)

VII. Executive Session

The committee went into executive session at 7:30 p.m. Jenean Glover excused herself from the discussion.

VIII. Adjournment

Eric adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Submitted by,

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