

North Los Angeles County Regional Center
Nominating Committee Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2025

Present: Curtis Wang, Sharmila Brunjes, Lety Garcia, Juan Hernandez, Alex Kopilevich – **Committee Members**

Evelyn McOmie, Lindsay Granger – **Staff Members**

Tresa Oiveri - DDS Tech Advisor, Mark Wolfe – DDS Tech Advisor, and Julie Ocheltree - **Guests**

Absent:

I. Call to Order

Curtis Wang called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm

II. Review of the Agenda

III. Public Input

IV. Consent Items

A. Approval of Minutes of the January 2, 2025 Meeting

It was requested by Lety to amend the minutes for further clarification under Action Item A.

Action: Board Support will update the minutes to reflect the discussed changes.

M/S/C (Curtis Wang/Alex Kopilevich) To approve the minutes as corrected.

V. Action Items

VI. Committee Business

A. Discussion of Board Applicant Interviews (4) for Consideration to the Board

The committee discussed the interviews conducted for new Board members. Since the number of Board members was currently at 11, which is below the census threshold of 14 needed to conduct any business in committees or the Board. Applicant #1 was discussed and chosen to move the applicant forward as a recommendation to the Board. Applicant #2 was chosen to move forward recommending the applicant to the Board of Trustees. Alex noted some reservation on the return of a former member to the Board of Trustees, but the applicant's former experience on the Board and legal experience would be a good addition to the Board. Lety expressed having a little bit of reservation for the same reasons as Alex, but he brings some institutional knowledge that is needed. Concerns were brought up about Applicant #4 availability to attend Board meetings in person. Since the applicant during the interview shared that she teaches a class that begins at 5pm and conflicts with the in-person Board Meeting schedules the committee members decided not to move forward with this applicant. was not chosen to move forward due to the scheduling conflicts that would not allow for the applicant to attend in person meetings. There was a concern on the ability of the applicant to be a board member with their current workload. Committee members discussed Applicant #6's interview and agreed to move this applicant forward to the Board.

M/S/C (Sharmila Brunjes/Curtis Wang) To move forward recommending Applicant #1 to the Board for nomination.

M/S/C (Alex Kopilevich/Sharmila Brunjes) To move forward recommending Applicant #2 to the Board for nomination.

M/S/C (Alex Kopilevich/Juan Hernandez) To not move forward with Applicant #4.

M/S/C (Alex Kopilevich/Juan Hernandez) To move forward with the three applicants (Applicant #1, Applicant #2, and Applicant #6) to the entire Board of Trustees.

Action: Board Support will reach out to those applicant's that were chosen to move forward and invite them to attend a special meeting with the Board of Trustees.

Action: Board Support will gather any additional candidates that have submitted their application to present to the nominating committee at the next meeting. The applicants that were unable to interview will be saved for a later interview date with the nominating committee.

B. Review of Survey Results for Proposal for Slate of Officers

The Committee consulted one of the board attorneys regarding the voting process for the slate of officers. Discussions included whether a committee member can vote for themselves for an officer position and if quorum is affected when a member abstains or leaves the room during discussions on their nomination. The Committee discussed the Slate of Officers for temporary roles until May. The Slate of Officers chosen to go to the Board of Trustees shows the following: It was noted that the Nominating Committee will need to clarify to the Board that these nominees are only to fill the slate from now until June, but in May a new slate of officers will be presented to the Board again to be voted on for the upcoming fiscal year.

- President – Juan Hernandez
- 1st Vice President –Sharmila Brunjes
- 2nd Vice President – Curtis Wang
- Secretary – Sharmila Brunjes
- Treasurer – Anna Hurst

There was discussion on whether the person being recommended for the officer position should be allowed to vote for themselves.

M/S/C (Lety Garcia / Alex Kopilevich) The person being recommended for the position does not vote for themselves.

M/S/C (Alex Kopilevich / Curtis Wang) To present Juan Hernandez as President on the slate of officers to the Board of Trustees. There were three in favor, one opposed, and no abstentions.

M/S/C (Alex Kopilevich / Juan Hernandez) To present Sharmila Brunjes as 1st Vice President on the slate of officers to the Board.

M/S/C (Sharmila Brunjes/Alex Kopilevich) To present Anna Hurst as Treasurer on the slate of officers to the Board.

M/S/C (Alex Kopilevich / Sharmila Brunjes) To present Curtis Wang as 2nd Vice President on the slate of officers to the Board.

M/S/C (Alex Kopilevich / Curtis Wang) To present Sharmila Brunjes also as Secretary on the slate of officers to the Board.

Lety asked that the voting over the Board Officers at the upcoming Board meeting could be done confidentially, and if Board Support can have everything prepared for the upcoming meeting and voting.

Action: Board Support will gather all the items needed for a confidential vote to take place at the upcoming board meeting both in person and online.

VII. Review of Meeting Action Items

- Board Support: Board Support will amend the January 2, 2025 meeting minutes.
- the duration of the term for members of the Board.
- Board Support will include the table of Board Members that will be terming out in the next meeting packet.
- Board Support will be asked to either send out a list of the Board Members that will be terming out and/or to post the Board Renewal applications on Share Point. This will be reviewed by the Committee in March.
- Board Support will have all the materials and processes prepared for the upcoming Board Meeting's Special Meeting to vote in new members to the Board and the new slate of officers.

VIII. Board Meeting Agenda Items

- Three of the Board of Trustees applicants will go before the full Board of Trustees for a vote.
- The new slate of officers that was determined during this meeting will be brought before the board of trustees to vote on at the next board meeting.

IX. Announcements / Information / Public Input

A. Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 5, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

There was public input at the end of the meeting, Ismael Maldonado requested to run for the board of trustees and asked for additional information, stating that he was a good candidate due to his understanding of the American with Disabilities Act and the Lanterman Act.

Action: Board Support will reach out to Ismael Maldonado and provide him with the application to complete and submit for the Board of Trustees.

IX. Adjournment

Curtis Wang adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm.

Submitted by:
Lindsay Granger
Executive Administrative Assistant

