North Los Angeles County Regional Center Nominating Committee Special Meeting Minutes

August 20, 2025

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

Committee Members

Evelyn McOmie, Lindsay Granger - Staff Members

Absent:

I. Call to Order

Curtis Wang called the meeting to order at 4:35 pm

II. Review of the Agenda and Approval of Agenda

M/S/C (Sharmila Brunjes/Lety Garcia) To approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

III. Public Input

There was no public input.

IV. Action Items

A. Approval of Renewal of Board Membership for Cathy Blin for a Three-Year Term Beginning July 1, 2025 and Ending June 30, 2028

M/S/C (Lety Garcia/Curtis Wang) to approve the renewal Cathy Blin's board membership for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2028. Motion carried.

B. <u>Approval of Renewal of Board Membership for Sharmila Brunjes for a Three-Year Term</u>
<u>Beginning July 1, 2025 and Ending June 30, 2028 – Curtis Wang</u>

M/S/C (Lety Garcia/Alex Kopilevich) to approve the renewal Sharmila Brunjes's board membership for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2028. Motion carried.

C. <u>Approval of Renewal of Board Membership for Anna Hurst for a Three-Year Term Beginning</u>
<u>July 1, 2025 and Ending June 30, 2028</u>– Curtis Wang

M/S/C (Lety Garcia/Sharmila Brunjes to approve the renewal of Anna Hurst's board membership for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2028. Motion carried.

D. <u>Approval of Renewal of Board Membership for Alex Kopilevich for a One-Year Term Beginning</u>
<u>July 1, 2025 and Ending June 30, 2026</u>

M/S/C (Lety Garcia/Sharmila Brunjes) to approve the renewal of Alex Kopilevich's board membership for a one-year term beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026. Motion carried.

E. <u>Approval of Renewal of Board Membership for Jennifer Koster for a Three-Year Term</u> <u>Beginning July 1, 2025 and Ending June 30, 2028</u>

M/S/C (Lety Garcia/Sharmila Brunjes) to approve the renewal Jennifer Koster's board membership for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2028. Motion carried.

F. <u>Approval of Renewal of Board Membership for Laura Monge for a Three-Year Term Beginning</u>
<u>July 1, 2025 and Ending June 30, 2028</u>

M/S/C (Lety Garcia/Sharmila Brunjes) to approve the renewal Laura Monge's board membership for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2028. Motion carried.

V. Committee Business

A. <u>Discuss and Review Election Process for Executive Finance Committee Board Members</u> – Sharmila Brunjes

Sharmila Brunjes reviewed the bylaws regarding the appointment of members to the Executive Finance Committee. Sharmila Brunjes explained that while the bylaws technically allow the appointment of up to three additional trustees by the board at any time, a more formal and transparent process was needed rather than selecting names randomly. Sharmila Brunjes presented a draft outline of guidelines, which had been discussed with legal counsel, Aaron, and noted that the final version would be revised and prepared by him.

Sharmila Brunjes proposed that eligible candidates must be current trustees in good standing and may nominate themselves, be nominated from the floor, or be nominated by another trustee. Voting would take place during officer elections and follow the same procedures, with ballots provided either in written or digital form. Each trustee would be able to vote for up to three candidates, and any left blank would not count as votes. In the event of a tie, an additional round of voting would be held. Sharmila Brunjes emphasized that the guidelines would help ensure fairness, transparency, and consistency going forward.

During discussion, Lety Garcia noted that the bylaws distinguish between the election of officers and the appointment of trustees, the latter requiring a two-thirds vote. Lety Garcia recommended that the process align with the guidelines used for officer elections. Sharmila Brunjes agreed and confirmed this adjustment would be included in the final draft.

Next steps include having legal counsel finalize the guidelines and revisiting the matter at the next meeting for confirmation. In addition, Curtis Wang will present at the upcoming full board meeting to report on committee approvals and member renewals.

Before concluding, members confirmed that the next meeting will take place on September 17 at 5:30 p.m. Attendance was noted, with all members present at both this meeting and the previous one. Logistics for the following special board meeting were also clarified, with members reminded that it will be a short, 15-minute session held on a separate Zoom link.

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VI. Board Meeting Agenda Items

VII. Announcements / Information / Public Input

VIII. Adjournment

Curtis Wang adjourned the meeting at 4:48 pm.

Submitted by:

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