



South Central Los Angeles
Regional Center
for persons with developmental disabilities, inc.

**SOUTH CENTRAL LOS ANGELES REGIONAL CENTER
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
NOVEMBER 16, 2010**

I. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Bill West
Ms. Manami Go
Ms. Guadalupe Barrera

Ms. Karen Washington
Ms. Lisa Sanchez
Ms. Mireya Ramirez

Ms. Desiree` Boykin
Ms. Angela Hunt-James

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ms. Carla Vega

Ms. Davina Douthard

STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Dexter Henderson
Ms. Marsha Mitchell-Bray
Mr. Jesse Rocha
Ms. Deanna Corbin
Ms. Natasha Robinson

Mr. Roy Doronila
Ms. Maria Figueroa
Ms. Griselda James
Ms. Phyllis McClean

Mr. Reuben Lee
Mr. Lynn Bausley
Ms. Maricel Cruzat

PUBLIC:

Mr. Allan Smith

CALL TO ORDER:

The November 16, 2010 meeting was called to order by Board President Bill West.

Approval of Minutes:

BOARD ACTION

To approve BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES OF **September 28, 2010**

(M/S/C: D. Boykin / L. Sanchez/ Unanimous)

BOARD PRESIDENT REPORT:

Board Membership:

Mr. Henderson reviewed the information summary of Ms. Renett Clough who was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Henderson requested approval from the board to accept Ms. Clough to the SCLARC Board of Directors.

BOARD ACTION:

To approve BOARD MEMBER: Renett Clough

M/S/C: D. Boykin / K. Washington/ Unanimous

Bill West also addressed the need for additional board members. We currently have six board vacancies with the potential of 17. Mr. West encouraged everyone in the room to recruit active board members that are willing to serve. Please make your recommendations to our executive committee.

ARCA REPORT-

Mr. West reported on the October 28-29th ARCA Board of Directors meeting held in Burbank.

FINANCIAL REPORT-

Roy Doronila reported the financials for the current years budget to show by comparison what was received from the state for the current year 2010-11 budget and what was received 2009-10 year. The financial report is as follows:

Operations:

B1	FY 10-11	Current Year	\$19.3 Million
A1	FY 09-10	Last Year	\$19.7 Million

Reduction in allocation: \$422,076 Thousand
This is the result of the 1.25% additional cuts and less growth this year which impacted our operations allocation.

Prevention:

B1	FY 10-11	Current Year	\$529 Thousand
A1	FY 09-10	Last Year	\$922 Thousand

Reduction in allocation: \$392,952
This is only 50% of the allocation we expected and we are hopeful we will be allocated the remaining 50%.

Total Operations and Prevention Allocation:

B1	FY 10-11	Current Year	\$19.8 Million
A1	FY 09-10	Last Year	\$20.6 Million

With a Total Reduction of: \$815,028 Thousand for the Current Fiscal Year.

FRC Allocation:

B1	FY 10-11	Current Year	\$121 Thousand
A1	FY 09-10	Last Year	\$116 Thousand

Increase Of: \$5,000

CPP Allocation:

B1	FY 10-11	Current Year	\$719 Thousand
A1	FY 09-10	Last Year	\$245 Thousand

Allocation increase by \$473 Thousand.

POS Allocation:

B1	FY 10-11	Current Year	\$115 Million
A1	FY 09-10	Last Year	\$118 Million

Reduction in allocation totaling, 2.9 Million due primarily to the impact of Trailer Bill cost containment initiatives.

DDS Preliminary Audit Findings:

The State Auditors (DDS) performed their annual audit of SCLARC for FY 2008-09 and FY 2009-10. The preliminary audit findings were reasonably minor.. DDS found a total of 28 items that were reported as exceptions. Roy gave a very detailed summary of the findings. Reuben Lee, Jesse Rocha and Dexter Henderson gave more detail as they explained some to the obstacles SCLARC is experiencing with SANDIS and why certain findings were an issue.

The auditors will be back in January to focus on the in kind agreements with the two (2) foundations. They will review our agreements and test transactions that involved Friends Housing and Friends of SCLARC.

CONSUMER SERVICES AND FAMILY SUPPORTS:

Mr. Reuben Lee introduced his management staff Jesse Rocha, Lynn Bausley, Dr. Paul Amuchie and Maricel Cruzat who along with the entire SCLARC management staff participated in the arduous process of revising and submitting the Purchase of Services Policies to DDS.

Jesse Rocha, Assistant Director, of Consumer Services and Family Supports walked the board members through the process and timeline of what it takes for a POS Policy to come together in compliance with DDS. As Jesse explained the timeline and process he also made known the services that were cut as a result of the new trailer bill language and impact the language had on families, services, and staff. The purchase of Service Policy process began in 2007 and as of November 2010, DDS has approved all SCLARC POS Policy revisions relating to the following: areas identified in (**Attachment one**) of these minutes:

Maricel Cruzat, defined Medicaid Waiver as one of the ten home and community based service programs authorized in California. The main purpose for the Medicaid Waiver program is to bring federal dollars into the state of California. The following requirements to qualify for Medicaid Waiver are:

1. You have to be an active consumer of the regional center.
2. Must have full scope Medi-Cal.
3. Have at least two qualifying deficits identified in the CDER
4. Must choose to participate and receive and use the services identified in the IPP.
5. Can not be enrolled in another waiver program.

Enrollment Numbers:

2003 – Start of the Medicaid Waiver Program	1, 280 Consumers
2010 –Ending July	4, 126 Consumers

Since 2003 Medicaid Waiver enrollment has increased by 2, 846 Consumers

Maricel also gave a summary of what Medicaid Waiver meant in terms of federal dollars. In FY08-09 SCLARC received 1.25 million in operational support dollars as compared to FY 09-10 where 1.68 million was received.

According to DDS' budget report, SCLARC has met their target enrollment goals.

SCLARC's current FY 10-11, DDS target number for Medicaid Waiver enrollment is 4,296. As of July, 2010 we currently we have 4,126 consumers enrolled the Medicaid Waiver program. We are expecting to enroll an additional 162 consumers this fiscal year. This means SCLARC has to maintain those numbers throughout the fiscal year. SCLARC has the third largest Medicaid Waiver enrollment within the regional centers of Southern California and ninth in the state. We have done a great job of maintaining our numbers and bringing federal dollars to California and SCLARC.

VENDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

CONSUMER ADVISORY COMMITTEE-

Desiree Boykin gave a report of the Consumer Advisory Committee meeting that took place in October, 2010. The CAC held their annual elections. Desiree was elected president for a second year. She acknowledged Marian Figueroa, SCLARC's community relations specialist who attended the meeting and gave input and support. Ms. Boykin gave an update of the November 15th, CAC meeting. The topic for the November CAC meeting was Medi-Cal and Medicare. Ms. Toni Vargas of the Health Consumer Center explained the difference between the two medical benefits and Shauntel Alford, SCLARC's Medical Recovery Specialist collaborated to ensure that consumers are receiving the appropriate benefits.

The next CAC Meeting will be held December 13th, 2010. Topic of discussion will be “How to Find a Real Job”.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS-

Marsha Mitchell-Bray addressed the board regarding the Lanterman Developmental Center closure. SCLARC held a Lanterman DC Parent meeting on October 23, 2010 at the Shilo Inn in Pasadena for the families of our consumers who currently reside at Lanterman. Marsha described the emotions of the families who for the first time were able to express their concerns, fears and uncertainties regarding the closure of Lanterman and the relocation of their love ones. SCLARC walked the families through the closure process and explained the options available. Family members were introduced to the SCLARC service coordinators who will be handling the placement and services for their loved ones. Bill Pickel of Westbay Housing Inc. attended the meeting. Westbay Housing Inc. will be helping to develop some of the homes in the community where we will be placing our Lanterman consumers. Because some of these consumers are considered medically fragile and require specific medical attention, DDS and the regional centers had to develop specialized homes (962) that are equipped to care and handle the needs of those consumers that are deemed medically fragile and require special equipment and care.

SCLARC has a total of 33 consumers coming out of Lanterman Developmental Center that will be placed in the community. Eight of those consumers will go into “962” homes for the medically fragile. There are 3 additional positions that will be hired for the CPP. 1 position in the Community and Family Supports Department, 1, Dental Hygienist, and 1 Quality Management position. We are hopeful that all consumers will be placed by 2012.

Resource Development Policy- Mr. Henderson explained that SCLARC’s contract was recently modified and requiring a whistle blower and vendor resource development policy by the first of the year. Both policies will go out to all publics via U.S. mail and via our website. Mr. Henderson recommended that we empower the chair to resolve any uneasiness over approving the policies so we can have them in place by the first of the year.

BOARD ACTION:

To approve **RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT POLICY (Recruitment Practices)**
(M/S/C: A. James-Hunt / L. Sanchez/ Unanimous)

BOARD ACTION:

To approve **WHISTLE BLOWER POLICY**
(M/S/C: D. Boykin /A. James- Hunt/ Unanimous)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT –

Dexter Henderson summarized the current details of the states budget. A recent legislative analyst report indicated that the state is now projecting a 27 billion dollar deficit for the current year and new fiscal year. The new projection was based on updated information that the federal government would repeal estate tax legislation which would result in the state receiving about 2 billion less in the new budget year.

Governor Schwarzenegger has also called a Special Legislative session. Starting January 2011 when our new Governor takes office, it is expected that the special session will run concurrent with the regular legislative session and they will begin to look at mid-year reductions for the potentially 27 billion dollar deficit the state is now facing. Solutions at this point have not been developed and we don't know what is going to happen mid-year. We do know we will now have to start talking about how to save money in the current year and we are going to do what we normally do which is save the core principals of the Lanterman Act and the services we provide to our consumers and families.

NO PUBLIC INPUT:

Good of the Order

Mr. West adjourned the November 16th, meeting. Our next meeting will take place on January 25, 2010.

Submitted by:

DEANNA CORBIN
ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

DATE

Approved by:

MANAMI GO
BOARD SECRETARY

DATE