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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
March 22, 2016
7:00pm – 9:00pm**

President, Ana Da Silva opened the **March 22, 2016 Board Meeting** with roll call:

Members Present:

Ana Da Silva
Alfredo Farfan
Alyssa Jackson

Lara Okunubi
Veronica Moser
Karen Washington

Diana Ugalde
Sandra Casado

Members Absent:

Mireya Romero

Mark Grimes

Teyanna Williams

Staff Present:

Dexter Henderson
Marsha Mitchell

Reuben Lee
Deanna Corbin

Roy Doronila
Maria Figueroa

President, Ana Da Silva made a request of the board to delay the approval of the **January 26, 2016** Board Minutes until May 24, 2016, the next board meeting.

BOARD ACTION:

To postpone the approval of the SCLARC Board Minutes of January 26, 2016 until May 24, 2016.

M/S/C: L. Okunubi/ A. Farfan/Unanimous

PUBLIC INPUT -

The Consumer Advisory Committee Basketball team (Advengers) came to thank SCLARC's Board of Directors for their contribution to the basketball team. The Avengers team was put in place November of 2015. They have been approved for a Special Olympics Team. The season will start April – June 2016 and their first game will be Saturday, March 26 at the YMCA.

SCLARC BOARD MEMBERSHIP – Dexter Henderson

Mr. Henderson introduced two potential board members to SCLARC's Board. Alfredo Rubalcava and Stephanie Arlaud both spoke briefly about their backgrounds and expressed their interest in joining SCLARC's board. Ms. Arlaud and Mr. Rubalcava will return to the next board meeting to be formally enrolled into SCLARC's Board of Directors.

AGENCY DIRECTORS REPORTS

ARCA REPORT – Ana Da Silva

After a brief overview of ARCA Ms. Da Silva indicated that our Executive Director will give a more in-depth detail regarding the Governor's proposed FY16-17 budget in his report. ARCA represents all regional centers that serve Californian children, and adults with developmental disabilities. Please see attached ARCA report for details.

BUDGET UPDATE & FINANCE REPORT – Roy Doronila

Mr. Doronila introduced Ron Kulek, Managing Partner of Windes & McClaughry, Inc. Mr. Kulek presented the board with SCLARC's audit report for FY 2015. He reported the following highlights to the board:

Mr. Kulek gave copies of audited financial statements to the SCLARC board. The audit is comprised of the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. (See Attachment)

Roy Doronila presented the **POS Expenditure Projection Report**, the **Statement of Revenue and Expenditures**, and the **Balance Sheet**. The following financial highlights were reported to the board:

The *Balance Sheet* shows we have \$22,029,014 in cash compared to the same time last year the agency only had \$15,316,803.

The *Statement of Revenue and Expenditure Report* show the agency is projecting \$280,062 surplus in POS. We expect to have a balanced budget in Operations. Additionally, SCLARC has received its second allocation of \$6,451,795 in addition to our budget.

The *POS Expenditure Projection Report* indicates we are projecting our annual estimated Purchase of Service (POS) Expenditures for the current month at a high estimate of \$162,014,321.

BOARD ACTION:

To Accept the Financial Reports for the Month of February 2016.

M/S/C: L. Okunubi/A. Farfan/Unanimous

COMMUNITY SERVICES AND FAMILY SUPPORTS REPORT –Kim Bowie

Dr. Bowie presented the *Performance Contract* for calendar year 2015 and a *Conflict of Interest Exemption Request*. She reported the following to the board:

At, SCLARC, we want to improve every year, do better than the State average, and meet or exceed the DDS standard. This report shows that SCLARC did well in:

- Reducing consumers living in State developmental centers
- Increasing adult consumers living in home settings
- Reducing adult consumers living in large facilities

However, SCLARC needs to improve in:

- Increasing children living with families
- Reducing children living in large facilities with more than 6 people

Sixty consumers reside in state developmental centers. The average is 0.46%. This is 0.05% less than last year. Eighty percent of the adults we support reside in home settings. This is 2.54% higher than the state average and 0.42% more adults than in 2014. SCLARC also has fewer adults residing in large facilities. The average is 0.09% less than in 2014.

The number of children living with families decreased by 0.06%. The percentage is still 0.32% higher than the statewide average. But, we must continue our work to support children remaining in their homes. Five children live in community care facilities serving more than 6 people and 1 sick child is currently in a skilled nursing facility. This is 0.09% of the 6,415 children served. The percentage is low, but it is a 0.06% increase, so SCLARC will take actions necessary to ensure children live in small residential settings.

The chart below shows you 5 areas where DDS wants each regional center to keep improving. The first column tells you how SCLARC was doing at the beginning of 2015. And, the second column shows how SCLARC was doing at the end of 2015.

Regional Center (based on Laterman Act)	Goals	December 2014		December 2015	
		State Average	SCLARC	State Average	SCLARC
Less consumers live in developmental centers		0.42%	0.51%	0.36%	0.46%
More children live with families		99.04%	99.53%	99.15%	99.47%
More adults live in home setting*		77.30%	80.16%	78.04%	80.58%
Less children live in large facilities (more than 6 people)		0.07%	0.03%	0.06%	0.09%
Less adults live in large facilities (more than 6 people)		2.96%	3.53%	2.78%	3.44%

SCLARC passed both its independent and DDS audits. The agency did not overspend its allocated operations budget, and we successfully participated in the Federal Medicaid Waiver program. SCLARC also completed the entire vendor audits required in the performance contract.

Ninety-six percent of the CDERs and ESRs were updated as required. Almost ninety-nine percent of the intake assessments for consumers age 3 or older were completed within required timelines. And, nearly 100% of the IPP requirements were met. SCLARC improved in meeting its IFSP requirements by 1.23%.

Dr. Bowie also reported a conflict of interest with one of SCLARC's consultants. She is a part-time employee with the California Department of Education Diagnostic Center. SCLARC would like to keep her because she's a valuable resource for consumers and families who have genetic issues. SCLARC has requested the State to waive the "conflict of interest" regarding her vendorization to enable us to vendor her given the fact that she's a part time employee at the Diagnostic Center.

BOARD ACTION:

To Accept the Conflict of Interest request to be submitted to DDS.

M/S/C: L. Okunubi/A. Farfan/Unanimous

CONSUMER AND SUPPORT SERVICES REPORT – Reuben Lee

The Consumer and Support Services Report will be postponed until the next board meeting due to time issues.

BOARD ACTION:

To Postpone the Consumer and Support Services Report Until the Next Board Meeting.

M/S/C: A. Farfan/V. Moser/Unanimous

VENDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT - Lara Okunubi

Ms. Okunubi reported to the board that the VAC had a very special guest Marty Omoto. She reported great attendance from VAC members.

CONSUMER ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT - Desiree Boykin/Alyssa Jackson

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BOARD ACTION:

To Postpone the Consumer Advisory Committee Report Until the Next Board Meeting.

M/S/C: A. Farfan/V. Moser/Unanimous

Executive Directors Report - Dexter Henderson

Mr. Henderson provided the board with an update concerning *the State Budget for FY 16-17* as well as the following important issues to the board:

Summary of the Governor's Proposed State Budget - 2016-2017

- \$17M to hire service coordinators (SC) in order to comply with federal caseload ratio requirements and reduce the number of individuals per SC.
- \$46M to boost funding to 4-bed alternative residential model homes.
- \$15M to help services become more integrated and comply with pending changes in the Home and Community-Based Services waiver.

Managed Care Organization Funding Package- The Assembly and Senate Passed the Two-Bill Package in Support of People with Developmental Disabilities

- The MCO revenue and funding package has been passed by the legislature and signed into law by the Governor. The Governor in his press release indicated that the MCO "Tax" conforms with the CMS requirements.
- The enactment of this legislation is a significant step toward stabilization and much needed funding reform for the developmental services system.
- These votes mark the end of a five-year fight by our community. The Association of Regional Center Agencies (ARCA), along with other members of the Lanterman Coalition, worked with stakeholders, the Administration, and the Legislature in crafting a compromise that received bipartisan support. Most importantly this was the tireless work of advocates like you.

Details of the plan are:

The MCO tax and development services funding package includes:

1. A 7.5% increase for salaries and benefits, for both POS & OPS
2. A 2.5% increase for administrative and other costs, for both POS & OPS
3. A restoration of the supported employment rates to 2006 levels
4. A 5% increase for supported and independent living services
5. A 5% increase for in-home and out-of-home respite services
6. A 5% increase for transportation services
7. An effective 5% increase for ICFs, done as a 3.75% increase, and the elimination of prior cuts
8. A comprehensive increase for competitive integrated employment programs, in the form of paid internships and incentive payments for helping individuals obtain and retain employment
9. An increase in vendor audit thresholds
10. A rate study plan
11. \$10 million for disparity issues for bilingual staff at regional centers, cultural competency training, and parent education efforts.

Anthony Rendon Sworn in as 70th Assembly Speaker

- Anthony Rendon (Democrat - Lakewood, 63rd Assembly District) was sworn in as the 70th Assembly Speaker in ceremonies held in the State Capitol Assembly Chambers.
- Pledges to focus on the issues of child poverty, state oversight of state agencies and departments, and increasing voter participation in public policy and election.
- Anthony Rendon will be sworn into office April 2nd.

Appointment with Nancy Bargmann as Director of DPS

- Worked for San Gabriel - Pomona Regional Center Since last fall after stepping down last July as Deputy Director of Community Services Division in Department of Developmental Services.
- Governor Brown, announced the appointment of Nancy Bargmann, as a widely respected former senior department official, as the new director of the Department of Developmental Services.

LA Conservancy Award for Restoration of SCLARC Golden State Mutual Life insurance

Mr. Henderson was pleased announce that our collective work on the restoration of the Golden State Mutual Life Insurance Building has been recognized by the Los Angeles Conservancy.

PUBLIC INPUT: - Christine Tolbert, (SCDD)

Ms. Tolbert, representative from DDS/State Council communicated to the board that regional centers should post agenda's for board meetings and minutes. She also informed the board that DDS has requested that regional centers follow the Bagley Keene Act as it relates to the convening of Self Determination Committee. Ms. Tolbert communicated to the board that this will be her last meeting. Finally, Cindy Chui was introduced as our new SCDD liaison.

ADJOURNMENT:

Vice President, Ana Da Silva then adjourned the March 22, 2016 Board of Directors Meeting at 10:00pm.

NEXT MEETING:

The next SCLARC Board of Directors meeting will be held on May 24, 2016, at SCLARC, 2500 South Western Ave. 4th Floor Legacy Community Room.

Submitted by:

Deanna Corbin
Executive Secretary

Date

Approved by:

Mark Grimes
Board Secretary

Date