

Alta California Regional Center
Executive Committee Meeting
Monday, June 13, 2016
Minutes

Present:

Brendan Peacock, President
Dan Lake, Vice President
Jacqueline Armstrong, Secretary
Anwar Safvi, Finance Comm. Chair
Cindy Benson, ARCA-CAC Rep (via phone)

Absent: (* excused)

Walter Kaweski*, ARCA Rep

Board Members:

Janet Brandon
Romilda Jones
Steven Sanchez (via phone)
Rita Walker

Staff:

Phil Bonnet, Executive Director
Peter Tiedemann, Chief Operating Officer
Lisa West, Executive Secretary

The Executive Committee met at 5:34 p.m. on Monday, June 13, 2016, in the Brenda Smith Conference Room at Alta California Regional Center to discuss: 1) State Budget Update; 2) Board Development Committee Update; 3) President's Comments; 4) Executive Director's Comments; and 5) Announcements. All present provided self-introductions.

1. ***State Budget Update***

Issue: The committee needs to review the Governor's State Budget.

Discussion and Action: Mr. Bonnet shared that we are waiting for the legislature to turn over the budget to Governor Brown for his signature on June 15th.

- **Information only.**

Without objection, Brendan Peacock made the motion to adopt the Executive Committee meeting minutes of May 9, 2016 as submitted.

2. ***Board Development Committee (BDC) Update***

- No update was provided.

3. ***President's Comments***

- Mr. Peacock participated in a productive BDC meeting today. The committee is proposing extending their monthly meetings to an hour. The committees would meet on the second Monday of the month at the following times:
 - The BDC would meet from 4 to 5 p.m.
 - The Finance Committee would meet from 5 to 5:30 p.m.
 - The Executive Committee would meet from 5:30 to 6 p.m.

- Mr. Peacock will be filling in as the ACRC Board's Association of Regional Center Agencies (ARCA) delegate while Mr. Kaweski is on his leave of absence. Mr. Lake will be the alternate.

4. **Executive Director's Comments**

- ACRC will be hosting the ARCA Board meeting this Friday, June 17th, at 8 a.m. This is a public meeting and Mr. Bonnet invited everyone to attend. This is a great opportunity to hear from Nancy Bargmann, Director of the Department of Developmental Services (DDS), and her key staff. Rick Rollens is ARCA's Legislative Analyst. Mr. Bonnet noted that the ARCA Executive Meetings are also open to regional center Board members.
- Tomorrow, ACRC's Client Advisory Committee (CAC) will be holding their meeting at Sonoma Developmental Center (SDC). This marks the fourth year that we have visited the individuals that reside there.
- Mr. Bonnet believes it would be nice for ACRC to recognize the 50th Anniversary of the Lanterman Act in the fall. Of course, there are many details that need to be planned out, but he would like to begin discussing this with the Board of Directors.
- ACRC, working collaboratively with North Bay Regional Center (NBRC), is bringing Karen Flippo, a Senior Technical Assistance Specialist with the Institute for Community Inclusion (ICI), to speak with our service providers regarding the new federal rules regarding inclusive settings. We will be spending Monday, June 27th, talking with day programs and employment programs. Some of our programs will need to make some significant changes in order to comply with the upcoming changes.
- ACRC has received 25 Fair Hearing (FH) requests this calendar year; eight regarding eligibility and 17 regarding services. Three cases have been decided by the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH); all supported ACRC's position. ACRC staff do not take a case before OAH unless we feel we are right. Almost all of the requests get resolved at a lower level; informal or mediation. Mr. Bonnet believes this is a real testament that we are working with our clients and families.

5. **Announcements**

- No announcements were shared.

6. **Closed Session** – at 5:58 p.m. the Executive Committee adjourned to executive session in order to discuss legal issues.

7. **Announcement of Closed Meeting Discussion** – at 6:05 p.m. the Executive Committee reconvened in open session following a closed session in which legal issues were discussed.

The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for **Monday, July 11, 2016**, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Lisa West
Executive Secretary

cc: ACRC Board of Directors
Phil Bonnet