

Alta California Regional Center
Client Advisory Committee Meeting
Tuesday, May 12, 2020
Minutes

Present:

Kimberly Terrell, Chair
Michelle Rewerts, Design. Dir.
Lisa Cooley
Tiffany Johnson
Amy Lampe
Anthony Stone

Facilitators:

Amy Fulk

Visitors:

Sean Stone

Staff:

Phil Bonnet, Executive Director
Lori Banales, Deputy Executive Director
John Decker, Director of Community
Services
David Lopez, Client Advocate
Lisa West, Executive Secretary

Absent: (* excused)

Tom Hopkins
Michelle Hulse*
Romilda Jones*
Steven Sanchez*
Patty Wallace*
Karen Young*

The Client Advisory Committee (CAC) met at 2:15 p.m. on Tuesday, May 12, 2020, by Webex/teleconference to discuss: 1) Executive Director's Report; 2) Nomination of CAC Chair & Designated Rep to Board for 2020-21 FY; 3) Updates; and 4) Public Comments/Announcements. All present provided self-introductions.

Without objection, Anthony Stone made the motion to adopt the CAC meeting minutes of March 10, 2020 as submitted.

1. ***Executive Director's Report***



- Phil noted that the CAC is small but mighty today! It may be a while before we can all be in the same room together, so we will continue to utilize technology with these meetings and encourage others to join in on the conversation.
- Alta closed its doors two months ago; Phil and his team made the decision, as a regional center, to start shutting things down. Our number one goal is to keep people safe. It's important to make sure that even though our clients may be alone during this crisis, they are not alone – we still care about them and will stay in contact to serve them.
- Phil encourages everyone to stay connected by visiting our agency's website and social media accounts. During these difficult times, it's important to keep in touch with friends. We can be creative on ways to stay connected.
- On Thursday, Governor Newsom will be releasing the May Revise. It is expected that it will include bad news for our statewide service system. Phil stressed that we will survive this crisis. Things may change but they may be better in some ways as we are forced to be creative.



2. ***Nomination of CAC Chair & Designated Rep to Board for 2020-21 FY***

Issue: Committee needs to hold elections for the Chair and Designated Representative to the Board of Directors for the 2020-21 fiscal year (FY).

Discussion and Action: Lisa W. shared that the CAC needs to nominate their Chair and Designated Representative to the Board for the next FY. She gave a brief explanation of the two positions.

- **Kimberly Terrell is nominated as the CAC's Chair for the 2020-21 FY.**
- **Patty Wallace is nominated as the CAC's Designated Representative to the Board for the 2020-21 FY.**

3. ***Updates***



- ◆ Peer Advocacy Network (PAN)
 - Amy L. shared that the group is trying to schedule a Zoom presentation for a virtual meeting in June.
 - A subcommittee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 20th, at 10 a.m.
 - Some of the People First Chapters are having Zoom meetings, while others are holding conference calls.
- ◆ ARCA-CAC
 - The April in-person meeting was cancelled due to COVID-19.
- ◆ Alta Board
 - Michelle R. attended the last Board meeting which was held by teleconference on March 26th.
 - The Board voted her on as a Board member.
 - Phil provided the group with an update on what was happening at the regional center due to COVID-19.
 - The next Webex Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 28th, at 4 p.m.

4. ***Public Comments/Announcement***



- Kimberly invited those interested to join the Capitol People First teleconferences that are held on the first Saturday of each month. Information can be found on their Facebook page.
- Lori encouraged everyone to complete the survey that is posted on the front page of Alta's website (the survey is available in eight different languages). She also requested that members help spread the word about the survey while they participate in other advocacy activities.

The next CAC meeting will be on **Tuesday, June 9, 2020**, at 2 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 3:09 p.m.

Lisa West
Executive Secretary

cc: ACRC Board of Directors
Phil Bonnet