Alta California Regional Center
Executive Committee Meeting
Tuesday, November 12, 2019
Minutes

Present:
 Dan Lake, President
 Rita Walker, Vice President
 Amy Lampe, Secretary
 Yang Sun, Finance Comm. Chair
  (via phone)
 Michelle Rewerts, ARCA-CAC Rep
 Ron Mainini, Member-at-Large

Board Members:
 Carmen Aguilar
 Eric Ciampa
 Paul Platner
 Anwar Safvi
 Steven Sanchez (via phone)
 Retha Seabron

Facilitators:
 Amy Fulk

Staff:
 Phil Bonnet, Executive Director
 Iqbal Ahmad, Chief Financial Officer
 Lori Banales, Director of Client
  Services

Visitors:
 Patty Wallace
 Karen Young

 Lisa West, Executive Secretary

The Executive Committee met at 4:05 p.m. on Tuesday, November 12, 2019, in the Brenda Smith Conference Room at Alta California Regional Center to discuss: 1) State Budget Update; 2) Old Business; 3) Committee Reports; 4) President's Report; 5) Executive Director's Report; and 6) 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 in another 60 days, Governor Newsom will be releasing his proposed budget for the 2020-21 fiscal year (FY). The final recommendations from the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) concerning the recent service provider rate study will be released this month. The department has considered all of the input that they gathered during various meetings across the state. A majority of service providers will be receiving an 8.2% increase on January 1st.

   Additionally, DDS is redesigning the DS Taskforce. The hope is that the group understands the various issues, as well as represents the entire community. The taskforce will be leaned on heavily for policy suggestions and system reform.

   Regional centers are also seeking direction from DDS regarding the expectation that services will be provided in inclusive environments under the Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Settings Rule.

   - **Information only.**

Steven Sanchez and Yang Sun left the meeting

*meeting reconvened at 4:30 p.m.

Without objection, Dan Lake made the motion to adopt the Executive Committee meeting minutes of October 21, 2019 as submitted.

2. *Old Business*
   - Outreach Plan
     - "Outreach" will be a standing item on Board meeting agendas.
     - There will be opportunities for Board members to attend upcoming events.
   - Board & Committee Goals for 2019-20 FY
     - Mr. Lake believes the goals should be for the 2020-21 FY.
     - We will continue to discuss possible goals for the upcoming FY.
   - Copy of Approved Board Policies
     - These will be handed out at the November 21st Board meeting. After reviewing them, Board members can share suggested revisions with Mr. Lake.

3. *Committee Reports*
   - Board Development Committee (BDC)
     - We will be interviewing a candidate at 5 p.m. today; the meeting will follow at 5:30 p.m.
     - The ARCA statewide training is still being finalized, but it will be held in February 2020 in Sacramento.
   - Personnel Committee
     - The group met today to review the "ACRC Executive Director Succession and Recruitment Policy", which Mr. Lake distributed to everyone for review.
       - Any comments/feedback should be given to Mr. Lake as soon as possible.
       - The committee will be discussing this further at their January 13th meeting.

4. *President's Report*
   - Mr. Lake expressed appreciation to everyone for their flexibility in today's meeting schedule.

5. *Executive Director's Report*
   - In 2017, ACRC received 81 Fair Hearing (FH) requests, of which 17 cases went before the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH). Last year, ACRC received 56 FY requests and 12 cases went before OAH. This calendar year, we have received 42 FY requests; 18 regarding eligibility and 24 regarding services. Eight cases have been decided by OAH.

6. *Announcements*
   - No announcements were shared.

The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for **Monday, January 13, 2020**, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

Lisa West
Executive Secretary

cc: ACRC Board of Directors
     Phil Bonnet