

Alta California Regional Center
Executive Committee Meeting
Monday, November 5, 2018
Minutes

Present:

Dan Lake, President
Rita Walker, Vice President
Amy Lampe, Secretary
Austin Taylor, ARCA-CAC Rep

Absent: (* excused)

Anwar Safvi*, Finance Comm. Chair

Facilitators:

Amy Fulk

Board Members:

Michelle Rewerts
Austin Taylor

Staff:

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

The Executive Committee met at 5:11 p.m. on Monday, November 5, 2018, in the Brenda Smith Conference Room at Alta California Regional Center to discuss:
1) State Budget Update; 2) New Business; 3) Old Business; 4) Committee Reports;
5) President's Report; 6) Executive Director's Report; and 7) Announcements.

1. ***State Budget Update***

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

Discussion and Action: Mr. Bonnet believes that voting is very important. Depending on how the elections go tomorrow will determine how it might affect our statewide regional center system.

- **Information only.**

****Steven Sanchez left the meeting***

Without objection, Dan Lake made the motion to adopt the Executive Committee meeting minutes of October 9, 2018 as submitted.

2. ***New Business***

- Letter from DDS about caseload ratios
 - In July, Mr. Bonnet requested additional funding from the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) to assist ACRC in meeting the mandated caseload ratios. Even without it, as an agency, we will continue to aggressively hire new employees. On average, our caseload ratios are in the high 70s. Some individuals only need to meet occasionally, while others need greater assistance. For Early Start and our Community Placement Plan (CPP), ACRC has met the requirements.

- ACRC is creating a new unit in our Roseville office. The opportunity for staff to move into a leadership position within the agency continues to expand as we continue to grow.

3. **Old Business**

- Board Meeting Facilitation/Support Workgroup Status Update
 - Mr. Taylor shared that this workgroup will be meeting soon to start discussing Board members' needs.
- Board Meeting Attendance Issue Update
 - This morning, the Board received a resignation letter from Rosa Meza-Villaseñor.
 - Mr. Lake will draft a letter thanking her for her years of service.

4. **Committee Reports**

- Board Development Committee (BDC)
 - The group discussed the implementation of the bylaw revision that affects Board members' terms of office. That bylaw will apply to all members.
 - Talked about the Board panel interviews and will be recommending P.P. to the Board for membership, representing Nevada County.
 - Board members will be reviewing the Board panel interview questions and any suggested revisions will be discussed at the January BDC meeting.
 - The group discussed the elimination of the June Board meeting.
 - The Board Sponsored Training in January will highlight Employment First.
- Personnel Committee
 - The committee met last month and will be meeting again on Wednesday, November 14th.

5. **President's Report**

- Keeping with tradition, the Board will adopt a family for the holidays again this year.
- Last week, the Board received an email about an issue from a family in Early Start. Staff contacted the family and their concerns have been addressed.
- The Association of Regional Center Agencies' (ARCA's) Grassroots Day is scheduled for Wednesday, April 3rd.

6. **Executive Director's Report**

- The Board Sponsored Training next week will provide information about the Self-Determination Program (SDP).
 - Mr. Bonnet has heard that those chosen will not be allowed to have any additional funding if they choose to participate in social/recreational services.
 - It appears that it may be difficult for regional centers to set the budgets for those that are participating in this pilot project.
 - Mr. Bonnet noted that the first Fair Hearing has been submitted for not being chosen by DDS to participate in the initial rollout of this program.

- Service Coordinators (SCs) who have SDP participants on their caseloads will receive specialized training.
- DDS continues to state that this program will be cost-neutral.
- Mr. Bonnet and Ms. Walker attended the ARCA Strategic Planning Conference in San Diego last month.
- This calendar year, ACRC has received 51 Fair Hearing (FH) requests; 15 regarding eligibility and 36 regarding services. Nine cases have been decided by the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH); eight supported ACRC's position and the other one was a split decisions (granted in part, denied in part).

7. Announcements

- Ms. Rewerts will be celebrating her birthday on Sunday, November 11th!
- Ms. Lampe will be going to Tahoe in December.

The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for **Monday, January 14, 2019**, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

Lisa West
Executive Secretary

cc: ACRC Board of Directors
Phil Bonnet