

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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May 19, 2021

Minutes

PRESENT

Al Marsella, Chair
Larry DeBoer
Yudy Mazariegos
Louis Mitchell

STAFF

Melinda Sullivan

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. DeBoer moved to approve the minutes of April 21, 2021, Mr. Mitchell seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

SLATE OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The Committee discussed the proposed Slate of Officers and Directors for presentation at the May meeting and election at the Annual Meeting of the Corporation in June. The Committee reported on their follow-up assignments and finalized the slates for presentation as follows:

Slate of Directors

Directors for Re-election

- Elizabeth Beltran
- Danielle Dejean
- Gloria Leiva
- Alex Li
- Louis Mitchell
- Jae Rhee
- Dina Richman
- Ana Villasenor

New Director

- Brigitte Sroujeh

Slate of Officers

- President - Gloria Leiva
- 1st Vice President- Elizabeth Beltran
- 2nd Vice President - Louis Mitchell
- Treasurer - Larry DeBoer
- Secretary - Mark Higgins
- Immediate Past President - Dina Richman

Mr. Mitchell moved to present the abovementioned Slate of Officers and Directors to the Board of Directors at Mr. DeBoer seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING

June 16, 2021

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

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BOARD APPLICATION COVER PAGE

Lanterman Regional Center Board of Directors is made up of volunteers from all areas of the community. Board members play an important role in providing policy leadership and oversight for our organization. Our Regional Center's Board of Directors not only helps keep Lanterman connected to the community, but is responsive to its needs as well.

Application Directions:

If you need help filling out the attached application or if you have questions about the application, please call the Executive Unit Manager at (213) 252-4902. A resume may be included with completed applications but it is not a requirement. After you complete this form, please return it to the Regional Center by mail, fax, email, or in person (Please see the box below).

Conflict of Interest:

It is important that no conflict of interest exists between you as a potential board member and your other existing roles and responsibilities. The details of the above are contained in section 4626 of the Welfare and Institutions Code of the State of California. If you would like to request a copy of this section, please contact the Executive Unit Manager (Please see the box below).

Required Information for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

Should you be selected as a Board member you will need to submit: Full name, date of birth, complete social security number and home address. Failure to comply will make you ineligible to be a Lanterman Regional Center Board member.

Telephone Number	Address	Email	Fax Number
(213) 252-4902	Nominating Committee C/O Frank Lara Lanterman Regional Center 3303 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 700 Los Angeles, CA 90010	Flara@lanterman.org	(213) 383-6526

LANTERMAN REGIONAL CENTER does not and will not tolerate discrimination against applicants or employees on the basis of AGE, ANCESTRY, COLOR, MARITAL STATUS, MENTAL OR PHYSICAL DISABILITY, PREGNANCY, GENTIC INFORMATION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, RACE, RELIGION, CREED, SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, MEDICAL CONDITION, DISABLED, VETERAN, OR VETERAN STATUS, ETC.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Today's Date: _____

I. Personal Information

My Name: Brigitte Sroujeh

My Home Address: 1733 Melwood Dr.

City: Glendale State: CA Zip Code: 91207

Home Phone Number

Cell Phone Number

(818) 243 - 5524

(818) 606 - 7028

Email Address:

kbakss@sbcglobal.net

II. How I Spend My Time

Name of Employer: Self Employed own business

Day Program or Volunteer Job: _____

Other: KYRC Peer Support Partner, Parents Collaborate Support group facilitator, SCAT presenter on Lanterman Act for KYRC

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone Number () _____ - _____

Days I Work or Attend a Program:

☐ Sunday ☐ Monday ☐ Tuesday ☐ Wednesday ☐ Thursday ☐ Friday ☐ Saturday

My Daily Work or Activities Include:

III. My Interests and/or Skills

I am a member of the following community organizations (such as Political Action Committee (PAC), People First, Self Advocacy, Tenant or Homeowner Association, Professional or Interest Group):

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

The special interests, skills or hobbies that I have that could help the Board of Directors and the people that the Regional Center serves are:

- A. Legal
- B. Management
- C. Public Relations
- D. Developmental Disability Program Skills
- E. Marketing
- F. Parent**

Other: __Business/Entrepreneur_____

III. My Background

Please check the appropriate box below.

Do you or any member of your family have a developmental disability?

☐ No

X Yes (please choose below)

☐ Autism ☐ Cerebral Palsy ☐ Epilepsy **X Intellectual Disability**

Other: **Down Syndrome**

To help assure that all people served by Lanterman Regional Center are represented on the Board of Directors, please choose one or more of the following choices that best describes your ethnicity:

☐ African American ☐ American Indian ☐ Asian **X Caucasian**
☐ Hispanic ☐ Other _____

Please choose the highest level of education that you have completed:

☐ High School / GED ☐ College / University
X Graduate School ☐ Vocational / Business
☐ Other

My school interest or area of study is/was:

V. Being a Board Member

I want to be a member of the Lanterman Regional Center Board of Directors because:

Please check one of the following:

- ☐ I have **never** served on the board of a community group or organization.
- ☐ I **have** served on the board of the following community group(s) or organizations:

VI. Conflict of Interest

To help assure potential conflict of interest, please tell us if you or any member of your family are associated with or employed by any of the Regional Center vendors or service providers. Please check one of the following and provide details if you check "Yes":

☐ No

☐ Yes

Details if "Yes" is checked _____

VII. References

Please provide the following information for two people who know you well:

(Example: friend, family member, employer, volunteer supervisor, etc.)

Name Joe Perales Relationship KYRC Family Support Specialist

Complete Address LRC

Phone Number (213) 252 - 4986 Best Time to Call _____

Name Stephanie Ruiz Relationship SC

Complete Address LRC

Phone Number (213) 252 - 6026 Best Time to Call _____

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

**PROPOSED
SLATE OF DIRECTORS
FOR ELECTION JUNE 2021**

DIRECTOR

Brigitte Sroujeh

DIRECTORS FOR RE-ELECTION

Elizabeth Beltran

Danielle Dejean

Gloria Leiva

Alex Li

Louis Mitchell

Jae Rhee

Dina Richman

Ana Villasenor

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**PROPOSED
SLATE OF OFFICERS
FOR ELECTION JUNE 2021**

SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR ELECTION

PRESIDENT

Gloria Leiva

VICE PRESIDENT

Elizabeth Beltran

2nd VICE PRESIDENT

Louis Mitchell

TREASURER

Larry DeBoer

SECRETARY

Mark Higgins

IMMEDIATE PAST-PRESIDENT

Dina Richman

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center

Programs & Services Committee

May 12, 2021

MINUTES

PRESENT

Lupe Trevizo-Reinoso, Chair
Debbie Cornejo
Oscar Carvajal
Darryl Goodus
Yudy Mazariegos
Howard McBroom
Christopher Perri

STAFF

Juan Maldonado
Carmine Manicone

NOT PRESENT

Karla Garcia

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was held remotely using ZOOM and was called to order by Ms. Lupe Trevizo-Reinoso at 10:03AM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of April 14, 2021 were reviewed and approved by consensus.

2021 PERFORMANCE PLAN: Q1 and 2022 PERFORMANCE PLAN DRAFT

The committee reviewed the 2021 performance plan; Q1. Simultaneously, they gave input for the 2022 performance plan draft. The committee asked for clarification on a few specific goals.

GOAL 6: Mr. Perri requested for 2022 if it would be possible to track clients who are not receiving enough medical care. This is in order to have more specific details in order to better assist clients.

GOAL 7: Mr. Goodus highlighted that there were only 2 providers who completed online training and he thinks this is a very low amount. Also, unfortunately hate crimes have increased and more training is needed for staff and clients to be more vigilant regarding their safety in the community as we move forward. The committee discussed this topic and agreed that more partnership with training is important.

GOAL 8: Mr. Perri asked if there was a way to identify the clients who are not being referred to the system. He offered his help to pilot something like this.

GOAL 10: Ms. Lupe Trevizo-Reinoso commented that, while the expenditures increased for all ethnic groups, the data still showed disparity primarily for Spanish and Russian speaking families. This prompted a discussion with the committee.

Mr. Carvajal stated that this is a dynamic and complex issue. However, a lot of the data does not seem to reach the root of the issue. Several years have passed since this issue began and he thinks that the only improvement that has been made is producing data. If change will happen, we need to go in a different direction. Mr. Manicone highlighted that the Promotora project has come out of this and it has been very effective. He agrees that more education is needed. Ms. Mazariegos added that service coordinators should be better trained and this could help.

Ms. Cornejo asked if Lanterman receives feedback from service coordinators about areas of support that they need. She would like to know how families and/or Lanterman can support them. Regarding SCAT trainings; is enough information provided so that families understand what they need to do.

Ms. Trevizo-Reinoso asked what resources are being offered to families by service coordinators and what are families accepting or declining. Discussion followed.

Mr. Perri proposed submitting a request to DDS to re-envision a project for next year that tries to take a different approach to disparity. He would be willing to collaborate on this.

VOTE ON DARK DATE: JUNE OR JULY

The committee voted to go dark in June.

OTHER-COMMUNITY MEETING

The committee would like to host a community meeting to discuss the performance plan and also have the regular P&S meeting at the regular time this year.

NEXT MEETING

The next committee meeting is scheduled on July 14, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35AM.

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CLIENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center

Client Advisory Committee

May 10, 2021

MINUTES

PRESENT

Howard McBroom, Chair
Rachelle Cabrera
Thomas Espinosa
Thomas Fambro
James Li
Nicholas Pietrantonio

GUEST

Gaby Funes
Mary Flynn

STAFF

Carmen Jimenez-Wynn
Carmine Manicone
Lyndon Marshall
Helane Schultz

NOT PRESENT

Stefanie Scott

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:36 PM

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The minutes of April 12, 2021 were reviewed and approved by consensus.

ABILITIES: SEXUAL ABUSE AND RISK REDUCTION COURSE INVITATION

Ms. Mary Flynn announced that she will be conducting two courses via zoom on June 7th and June 14th. She will be covering basic anatomy, types of abuse, important words and definitions, body language, and personal safety. Taking both courses is recommended to learn all of the information. Ms. Flynn shared a flyer with this information and guided everyone on how to register. She also

answered questions that the committee had such as are these courses for men and women (yes) and about how many clients can attend. Ms. Flynn would like there to be at most 10 clients.

EMPLOYMENT

Ms. Carmen Jimenez-Wynn was present to give updates about all things employment. She explained what the Southern California Resource Services for Independent Living (SCR-IL) and Start to Finish Employment Services offer for clients. Other resources include the Verdugo Jobs Center, the Department of Rehabilitation and Peak Performance Training Centers, Inc. Ms. Jimenez-Wynn reminded the committee to also ask their own Service Coordinator for more information, assistance, and guidance. She highlighted that the Department of Rehab is conducting weekly zoom meetings where counselors are available for any questions that clients have. Discussion followed.

CAC RECRUITMENT

The committee discussed ways in which they could invite more clients to the CAC. They suggested making an announcement at the Peer to Peer meetings. Ms. Cabrera also suggested making an announcement at the Foothill Autism Alliance. The CAC meeting flyer that was created last year will be brought back and revamped so that members can share with clients.

VOTE ON GOING DARK: JUNE OR JULY

The committee voted to go dark in June.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled on July 12, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:33 PM

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SERVICE PROVIDER
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center
Service Provider Advisory Committee
May 5, 2021
Minutes**

This committee Zoom meeting was called to order at 10:03 AM and roll call was taken.

SPAC MEMBERS PRESENT

Jim Storck
Kyra Griffith
Dee Prescott
Kelly White
Greg Sanchez
Nicole Hajjar
Keri Castaneda
Kimberly West-Isaac

Guests:

Beatriz Diaz/In2Vision
Chaghig Koulajian/ACT
Traci Martinez/Adv Health
Kimberly Bermudez/24hr
Bryan Nguyen/Easterseals
Christian De Paz/ACT
Armine Kim/Avanti
Azniv Tonoyan/In2Vision
Allan Baca/Inclusion Services
Adriane Mota/ECF

Robert Turner/Life Steps
Celia Montes/ECF
Kimberly Bermudez – 24Hr Care
Michaelann Gabriele/Ctr for Dev Kids
D L Cook/Quantum Housing
Dennis Moreno/Model Res
Cindi Raimondi/ABLE
Ashly Dominguez/In2Vision
Veronica Aleman/SVS
Joann Ahn/ECF

Cynthia Martinez/Easterseals
Andrea Devers/PCS Lanterman
Bijan Beizai/In2Vision
Janet Amador/In2Vision
Nanette Cruz/ECF
Yvonne Nakamoto/Total Programs
Krishna Tabor/ButterFli
Nancy Niebrugge/The Campbell Center
Cynthia Barron/Easterseals

Staff

Pablo Ibañez
Sonia Garibay

Public Comments

None

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from April 7, 2021 were accepted as submitted.

REPORTS

Board

Ms. Isaac shared that the Board meeting was brief, the following topics were discussed:

- The last ARCA meeting
- Grassroots
- LRC budget for the upcoming year
- LRC budget for last/current fiscal year had considerable increased due to the SOE funding

- LRC intake incoming referrals are down by 78 clients due to the pandemic and also due to families moving out of LRC catchment area.
- Performance Evaluation - a 360 evaluation will be completed this year with input from service providers, families and LRC staff for the Performance Evaluation. Survey is due May 7 and it should be submitted to Frank Lara. Survey is anonymous.

HCBS Update

Ms. Garibay reported that LRC is still waiting for a response from DDS regarding funding for FY 2020/21 however a response is expected soon. She shared DDS is aware of issues with scheduling certified trainers to conduct Person Centered Thinking trainings and Train the Trainer certification, so providers that receive funding for training, will have more flexibility in terms of the type of training that can be provided to staff as long as it helps the provider meet their goals to transition services into compliance.

LRC providers have not been contacted yet by PCG to start the virtual site assessments. DDS shared that LRC staff will participate in the virtual assessments as silent observers only. If issues come up during the process providers will have the opportunity, once the report is issued, to correct the findings and submit a plan with all corrections.

Ms. Garibay informed providers that when they receive the schedule for the virtual visits to let their QA liaison know if they would like them to participate. PCG will request that providers let them know at the time the visit is scheduled if any type of accommodations will be needed. After the visit PCG will generate a report. Providers will have 60 days after receiving the report to develop a plan to transition their program into compliance. Providers will have until 2023 to complete the full transition. Both regional center and provider will receive a copy of the report.

Ms. Garibay also reported that the in person CCL visits for licensed homes will resume as of May 15, 2021; the focus on these visits will be “Infection Control”.

Self Determination Update

Mr. Ibañez informed that LRC hosted an info session which included an overview on the self-determination program. He reminded participants of new service opportunities. It is anticipated that many clients will continue receiving services from existing service providers and they will continue to receive the same services for the same rate. However, in self-determination providers will get paid through an FMS agency and not through the regional center. Providers will have to set up the funding/billing mechanism with the FMS agency.

Families and clients in the self-determination program will have the opportunity to negotiate and customize services with the provider, which gives providers more flexibility on how to provide services.

On June 8, 2021, Self-Determination will go live for all eligible clients statewide. Most clients will be eligible to be participants of the self-determination program but clients in long term care and early start clients younger than 3 years old are not eligible to participate in this program. Clients that live in CCL homes can request to move into self-determination.

OLD BUSINESS

Legislative Advocacy

Ms. Isaac shared that she virtually attended Grassroots day on April 21st as the service provider group representative; Ms. Prescott, some parents, and some service coordinators also participated. Ms. Isaac and Ms. Prescott shared that they met with several legislators and discussed the following main issues:

- Minimum Wage
- Uniform Holiday Schedule
- Eliminate the requirement that families have to provide a SS# to be able to receive regional center services
- Eliminate the family share of cost
- Allocating additional \$55 million dollars to the budget to increase the number of service coordinators to reduce caseloads

All agreed that it was a successful day.

DDS Updates

Mr. Ibañez shared the following:

- DDS retracted from implementing the attestation requirement for now. DDS is issuing an official directive regarding this.
- Providers that received PPP loans and also billed for absences need to repay the regional center if funds from both sources were used for the same purpose. Providers would know if this is the case. Providers were advised to contact their accounting associate to discuss repayment mechanisms.

LRC Updates

Mr. Ibañez reminded participants that DDS issued a list of services codes eligible for alternative services. Service providers with service codes that are not on the DDS list can make a request to their vendoring regional center to be considered for alternative services so a rate can be set up for them.

Alternative Transportation Services – DDS issued a corrected list of rates. Community Services has started the process of updating the rates. Providers providing transportation services under the 880 service code are eligible for alternative services.

Group Supported Employment providers were informed that if they are providing 100% alternative services or a blend of alternative and traditional services to let Mr. Ibañez or the Supported Employment Specialist, Ms. Carmen Jimenez-Wynn know so the Accounting Dept. will be able to set up billing correctly. Effective date for rates for Transportation Services and Group Supported Employment is April 1, 2021.

DDS issued a Directive informing regional centers that all service coordinators need to resume in-person monitoring of residential homes, supported living, independent living and FHAs. Regional center has 30 days to develop a plan of implementation.

Reopening Sites – Providers that previously submitted an in-person plan were reminded to review updated guidance, update their plans and submit them to Community Services. Providers which not created a plan need to do so. Residential services providers have been asked to submit “mitigation plans” from CCL which can be submitted to regional center to fulfill this requirement. Mr. Ibañez clarified that the RC will not approve these plans since the decision to resume in-person services is ultimately up to families, clients and providers. Plans will be filed in the provider’s record.

SP Breakfast

Mr. Storck gave some updates about speakers for the breakfast. Subcommittee will meet to discuss further details.

Vendor Fair

Mr. Sanchez reported that the subcommittee met and that they finalized the frame work. The theme for the fair will be “re-imagining services in the new era of Covid 19”. The program will be about 40-60 minutes long. This fair will be scheduled during the last quarter of the year and will be done virtually. Subcommittee will meet again and will share more details at the next SPAC meeting.

Provider Training

Ms. Prescott share that she’s still promoting the Disability Thrive Initiative trainings. A training is scheduled for May 12, 2021 and will be on “planning for community re-engagement and the next phase of disability services”. She asked for feedback from providers that have attended similar trainings.

NEW BUSINESS

RFPs

Ms. Ibañez shared that 3 RFPs have been posted on the LRC website as of last Friday, they are:

- Early Start therapists that will help with recruiting to expand the language capacity,
- Behavioral Respite for existing respite providers, and
- 4 bed specialized residential facility for adult clients ages 18-35.

More information can be found in the LRC website.

Mr. Ibañez shared that a joint technology RFP involving all 7 LA regional centers is being developed. WRC is RC spearheading this process.

UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS/CONCERNS

- Mr. Ibañez - David Romer is the new LRC Controller.
- Mr. Ibañez – The Programs & Services Committee requested having a joint meeting with the SPAC group.
- Mr. Storck announced that he’s retiring as of May 15. The committee acknowledged him for his contributions to the group and for many years of service. The group wished him a farewell.

ADJOURNEMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:48 AM.

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Service Provider Advisory Committee Meeting **ATTENDANCE**

2020-2021	N O V 20	D E C 20	J A N 21	F E B 21	M A R 21	A P R 21	M A Y 21	J U N 21	J U L 21	A U G 21	S E P 21	O C T 21	T O T A L
K. WEST-ISAAC - Chair	X	X	X	X	X	E	X						
K. CASTANEDA	X	X	X	X	E	X	X						
N. HAJJAR	X	X	E	X	E	X	X						
D. PRESCOTT	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						
J. STORCK	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						
G. SANCHEZ	E	X	X	X	X	X	X						
K. GRIFFITH	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						
K. WHITE	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						
VACANT													
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