

LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES FOUNDATION

Board of Directors

April 26, 2023

MINUTES

PRESENT

Louis Mitchell, Chair
Elizabeth Beltran
Anthony Brouwer
Michael Cooney
Tina Daley
Larry DeBoer
Weller Killebrew
Jae Rhee
Brigitte Sroujeh
Ana Villasenor

NOT PRESENT

Danielle Dejean
Gloria Leiva
Dr. Alex Li
Dee Prescott
Lili Romero

ADVISOR TO THE BOARD - PRESENT

Al Marsella

STAFF

Pablo Ibanez
Carmine Manicone
Srbui Ovsepyan
Kaye Quintero
Melinda Sullivan

GUESTS

Louise Bell
Lia Cervantes Lerma
Mayra Cervantes
Lourdes Gomez
Taleen Khatchadourian
Natalia Lewis
Kristianna Moralls
Nikisia Simmons – DDS

Bradley Smith
Simon Yang

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Mitchell called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The meeting was conducted via Zoom.

PUBLIC INPUT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Cervantes-Lerma announced that the State Council on Developmental Disabilities is conducting statewide trainings on various topics throughout the year. A flyer was distributed to the Board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of March 22, 2023 were approved by consensus.

BOARD EDUCATION

2022 Administrative Report – Client and Family Services

As part of Board Education and Training, Mr. Manicone, Associate Director of Client and Family Services, gave a focused overview on Self-Determination and Participant Choice Services. Board members were given the opportunity to ask questions and discuss the content.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Grassroots Day

Ms. Sullivan reminded the Board that Grassroots Day was held on Wednesday, March 29, 2023 and it was a successful event. The event was held virtually and coordinated by ARCA. The talking points for the day were:

- Stabilizing Regional Center Service Coordination
- Legislation for Support and/or Co-Authoring - [AB 649 \(Wilson\)](#)
- Provider rate reform
- Repeal of fees on families – The Annual Family Program Fee and Family Cost Participation Program

Lanterman’s team consisted of:

- 2 - Parents (board members)
- 1 - Client
- 1 - Service Provider (board member)
- 2 - Regional Center staff

DDS Regional Center Core Staffing Formula

Ms. Sullivan reminded the Board that at the last board meeting, they approved sending a letter of support to the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee on Modernizing the Core Staffing Formula. A copy of that letter was in the packet for information only.

New Space – 611 Brand

For Information Only –

Ms. Sullivan reported that the Center has leased space at 611 Brand Avenue in Glendale. The space is for a satellite Koch-Young Resource Center (KYRC) in the Glendale area. It is immediately off the 134 freeway with easy access to public transportation. This space will support the Center's Language Access and Cultural Competency (LACC) plan and make KYRC services more convenient to families in the Foothill regions.

It is anticipated that the site will be open at the end of June.

Little Hoover Commission Report on DDS Services

Ms. Sullivan advised the Board that they could find in their packet the recently released Little Hoover Commission Report and she reviewed the following proposed recommendations listed in the Executive Summary:

- Recommendation 1: Increase Consistency in Client Experiences across Regional Centers
- Recommendation 2: Target and Reduce Racial and Ethnic Disparities
- Recommendation 3: Strengthen State Oversight of the Developmental Disabilities System
- Recommendation 4: Modernize Technology
- Recommendation 5: Standardize The Vendorization Process
- Recommendation 6: Strengthen and Enhance Support for Regional Center Governing Boards
- Recommendation 7: Improve Service Coordination

Ms. Sullivan reported that prior to the report; DDS was already working on recommendations 1, 2, 3, and 6. DDS and ARCA are collectively working on evaluating the report.

Discussion followed.

ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Cash Flow

Ms. Quintero reported that the Center is projected to have \$31,749,648 available at the end of June 30, 2023.

Mr. DeBoer reviewed the financial statement summary through February 2023 as follows:

Fiscal Year to date 2022-2023 (D-1)

In Operations (main contract) we have spent \$19,409,363 (57.4% of budget). In Purchase of services (main contract) we have spent \$166,945,430 before we add late bills. Including projected late bills, we will have spent \$173,556,119 (59.7% of budget).

Fiscal Year 2021-2022 (C-4)

This month we recorded \$188,133 in OPS and \$431,554 in POS. To date we have spent 83.2% of our OPS and 89.4% of our POS allocations.

Fiscal Year 2020-21 (B-5)

This month we recorded \$39 in OPS and \$64,451 in POS. To date, we have spent 100% of our OPS and 99.2% of our POS allocations.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

Transportation Service Standard

Mr. Manicone presented the revised Transportation Service Standard and advised the Board that the Programs and Services Committee is recommending that the Board approve the service standard as presented. Discussion followed.

Mr. DeBoer moved to approve the Transportation Service Standard as presented, Ms. Villaseñor seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Rental Assistance Service Standard

Ms. Ovsepyan presented the revised Rental Assistance Service Standard and advised the Board that the Programs and Services Committee is recommending that the Board approve the service standard as presented. Discussion followed.

Ms. Villasenor moved to approve the Rental Assistance Service Standard as presented, Mr. Brouwer seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Service Provider Advisory Committee (SPAC) Nomination

Mr. Marsella advised the Board that Mr. Ibanez and Ms. Prescott, SPAC Chair, received confirmation from 1 service provider who wishes to be elected as a SPAC member. A memo with background information on the applicant was provided to the Committee. Mr. Ibanez and Ms. Prescott, SPAC Chair, are recommending the following for election as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Type of service(s)</u>
Bryan Chacon	Maxim Healthcare Services	Home health, homemaker, respite, personal assistance and intensive behavior support services.

Mr. DeBoer moved to elect Bryon Chacon to the Service Provider Advisory Committee, Ms. Beltran seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Slate of Offices and Directors

Mr. Marsella reported that the Committee has finalized the Slate of Officers and Directors for 2023-24 and will present it at the May board meeting for information only and election at the June meeting.

ADJOURNMENT FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board agreed by consensus to suspend the General Session meeting at 7:25 p.m. for Executive Session to conduct business on Approval of Minutes, Litigation, Personnel, and Executive Director's Performance Evaluation for FY 2022-23.

RECONVENE FOR GENERAL SESSION

The Board discussed in Executive Session the Approval of Minutes, Litigation, Personnel, and Executive Director's Performance Evaluation for FY 2022-23.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourn by consensus at 7:35 p.m.

Brigitte Sroujeh, Secretary

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ACTION LOG

April 26, 2023

	DESCRIPTION	ACTION	STATUS
	Approval of Minutes – March 26, 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approved	
	Approval of Service Standards: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Transportation• Rental Assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approved• Approved	
	Service Provider Advisory Committee (SPAC) Nomination <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bryan Chacon	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approved	