Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center

Client Advisory Committee

March 9, 2020

### MINUTES

### PRESENT

Howard McBroom, Chair Arthur Corre Marilyn Franklin Garik Gyuloglyan James Li Vahan Nisanian

<u>GUEST</u> Ana Villaseñor

### **NOT PRESENT**

Thomas Fambro Danielle Dejean

### **STAFF**

Carmen Jimenez-Wynn Lyndon Marshall Helane Schultz

## CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:26 PM

### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The minutes of February 10, 2020 were reviewed and approved by consensus.

### **EMPLOYMENT**

Ms. Carmen Jimenez-Wynn, employment specialist at Lanterman, was present to discuss employment. She discussed CalABLE, a savings and investment program designed to help eligible individuals save for disability-related expenses without jeopardizing their public benefits. She stated that if anyone was interested, they could let their service coordinator know. The committee agreed that they would like a representative from CalABLE to speak either to the committee or to more adult clients. Ms. Jimenez-Wynn briefly talked about benefits planning, the importance of volunteering, Project Search, work activity programs, and supportive employment. Some of the questions that the committee had were:

- what is the job market for persons with disabilities like today
- has the current administration affected persons with disabilities in a negative way
- are clients and their families excited to be part of the work force
- do we have statistics regarding persons with DD in the work force

# NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled on April 13, 2020.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 PM

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