EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

May 8, 2013

MINUTES

PRESENT

Mark Higgins, Chair
Anila Guruji
Marjorie Heller

NOT PRESENT

Larry DeBoer

STAFF

Diane Anand
Patrick Aulicino
Melinda Sullivan

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of March 13, 2013, March 25, 2013, and April 10, 2013 were approved by consensus.

BUDGET UPDATE

Mr. Aulicino reported that the Department has begun to offset claims against the Center’s advances owing to their own cash flow problems. He advised the Committee that although the Federal Waiver 1915i state plan amendment has been approved, it is uncertain when that cash will begin to flow. With the normal claims reimbursement expected by the end of the week, the Center will be in a good position through May and should not have to borrow against its line of credit. Most Centers are finding themselves in the same situation.

REVIEW OF DISPARITIES IN SERVICE DATA

Ms. Sullivan reminded the Committee that the FY 2012-13 Trailer Bill Language mandates that the POS Disparity Data be compiled on an annual basis and that regional centers must conduct a
Community meeting regarding the report. Ms. Sullivan advised the Committee that Lanterman will conduct two meetings, one in English and the other in Spanish. The English meeting will be held on June 26th and a date for the Spanish meeting is being determined.

CONTINUED VIABILITY OF THE STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Committee reviewed the committee charge for the Strategic Planning Committee and discussed its continued viability. After discussion, Ms. Anand recommended dissolving the Strategic Planning Committee as the Performance Plan, which is mandated by the Department, has replaced the typical strategic planning process. It was agreed that the Performance Plan could be monitored by the Programs & Services Committee.

The Committee agreed by consensus to disband the Strategic Planning Committee and incorporate its responsibilities into the charge of the Programs and Services Committee.

REVIEW OF BOARD SELF-ASSESSMENT

The Committee reviewed and discussed the final section: General Meetings.

The Committee had no recommendations.

This section will be presented to the Board at the May meeting.

THE WAY FORWARD

Ms. Anand advised the Committee that the Way Forward steering committee met on Monday May 6th and will meet with the larger group on May 9th. The steering committee will bring forward models for discussion based on the project investigation involving knowledgeable stakeholders within California as well as knowledgeable individuals from others states. Ms. Anand reported that Mr. Higgins, Ms. Sullivan, and herself would be participating in the meeting.

The Committee discussed the concept of a forum that would bring together national experts and leaders from other states, and California leaders including regional centers, parents, clients, and community members to get consensus on how to take the project to the next level. Ms. Anand reminded the Committee that the Center has had several forums in the past using the income from the Lanterman Endowment Fund and recommended possibly using it for this project as Lanterman is a major driving force in this effort.

The Committee agreed with idea in concept.
BOARD RETREAT

The Committee discussed the need for the Board to have a retreat given that they have not had one in several years.

The Committee agreed by consensus that Lanterman is tightly regulated by the State compared to other organizations, thus questioning the relevance of a retreat for planning purposes, the traditional need for board retreats.

ARCA - ACTION ALERT

For Information Only –

Ms. Sullivan advised the Committee that ARCA released an email blast advising that this month the two Budget Subcommittees in the Legislature will be finishing their hearings. ARCA is encouraging parents to contact their legislators regarding the restoration of Early Start services. Ms. Sullivan reported that the Center is communicating this request with its Early Start parents.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.