

**SAN GABRIEL/POMONA DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC.**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors**  
**(A California Corporation)**

**March 27, 2024**

**ATTENDANCE**

The following members of the Board of Directors were present at said meeting:

**PRESENT:**

Julie Chetney  
Jaye Dixit  
Bill Stewart  
Karen Zarsadiaz - Ige  
Trish Gonzales  
Cris Schlanser  
Joseph Huang  
Richard Centeno  
Phillip Loi  
Sam Yi

**ABSENT:**

Bruce Cruickshank  
Tina Wright  
Paula Rodarte

**INTERPRETERS:**

Spanish - Marisol Lomeli  
& Isabel Coelo  
Korean - Sally & Kaytlan  
Vietnamese - Peter Le & Ban  
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Mandarin - Charlene & Ken  
ASL – Natalie & Ron

**STAFF:**

Jesse Weller, Executive Director  
Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director  
Dara Mikesell, Chief Financial Officer  
Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Service Access and  
Equity  
Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services  
Tim Travis, Associate Director, Community Services  
Hortencia Tafoya, Director of Clinical Services  
Yvonne Gratianne, Communications & Public  
Engagement Officer  
Erika Gomez, Liaison to BOD & RDDF  
Willanette Satchell, Executive Assistant  
Elba Moreno, Department Assistant, Communications

**GUESTS:**

Albert Feliciano, SCDD  
Adrian Jimenez, DDS  
Nada Saleh  
Elizabeth Cuevas  
Ali Dorri

**A. CALL TO ORDER:**

- Julie Chetney, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:16 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.
- The agenda for today's meeting was reviewed.

- The minutes for the February 28, 2024, meeting were reviewed and approved. (M/S/C Gonzales & Stewart) **The Board approved the minutes.**

**B. PUBLIC INPUT:**

- Carl Argila reminded the Board that he records the entire meeting and uploads the video of the meeting to his personal blog. He shared details about his son's conservatorship, including his wish for the conservatorship to be terminated and asked that more details of his request be added to the minutes.
- Albert Feliciano, SCDD, promoted the statewide trainings that start on April 1, 2024, on special education and understanding evaluations.

**C. EXECUTIVE/FINANCE COMMITTEE**

***Financial Report***

Dara Mikesell, Chief Financial Officer, Presented the Financial Report:

In regional center operations, the allocation based on the E-1 Amendment is projected to meet expenditure projections. Projections include operating continuation cost and expenditures from the prior fiscal year. The operations E-1 allocation for fiscal year 2023-24 is currently at \$49,529,126 with projected expenditures of \$48,373,436. The year-to-date expenditure is \$23,672,510 with projected remaining expenditures of \$24,700,925. This results in an unencumbered amount of **\$1,155,690** in regular operations.

The Family Resource Center allocation is projected to meet expenditure projections, resulting in a zero-balance remaining in allocation. The current allocation is \$154,564 with projected expenditures of \$154,564.

The Lanterman Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion program has a current allocation in the amount of \$1,303,368, staff expect to spend the full amount. The Fairview program is included in this amount.

The Community Placement Plan (CPP) and DC ongoing Workload operations were allocated at 100% in the E-1 amendment.

The Purchase of Service allocation is based on the E-1 amendment in the amount of \$424,384,165. The current month's expenditure amounted to \$32,595,409, bringing the year-to-date expenditure for services to \$206,360,659. The remaining projected

expenditures and late bills are in the amount of \$216,751,750 leaving an unencumbered amount of **\$1,271,757**.

CPP POS is a separate line item, we are allocated \$100,000 for placement. Staff are expecting additional allocations in E-2 for Start-up projects.

### ***Contracts for Review***

Tim Travis, Associate Director of Community Services, presented the following contract:

- *La Saca de Los Sueños*

**(M/S/C Loi & Gonzales) The Board reviewed and approved the contract based on their policy for contracts over \$250,000.**

**Abstain: Schlanser**

- *Easter Seals Winterhaven*

**(M/S/C Stewart & Zarsadiaz-Ige) The Board reviewed and approved the contract based on their policy for contracts over \$250,000.**

**Abstain: Schlanser**

- *Brabourne*

**(M/S/C Gonzales & Huang) The Board reviewed and approved the contract based on their policy for contracts over \$250,000.**

**Abstain: Schlanser**

Hortencia Tafoya, Director of Clinical Services, presented the following contract:

- *Life Stages*

**(M/S/C Gonzales & Loi) The Board reviewed and approved the contract based on their policy for contracts over \$250,000.**

**Abstain: Schlanser**

## **D. COMMUNITY RELATIONS/LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

Karen Zarsadiaz-Ige, Chairperson, reported that the committee received information on the following: state and local legislative efforts, Grassroots Day, Vendor Job Fair and SG/PRC's community outreach efforts.

## **E. ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR INDIVIDUALS SERVED AND THEIR**

Jay Dixit, Co-Chairperson, reported that the committee received a presentation on "Individual & Family Experience & Satisfaction" by Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Service Access and Equity. There will be a dance for adult individuals served on April 12, 2024, hosted by SG/PRC.

**F. VENDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE (VAC)**

Cris Schlanser, Chairperson, reported that service providers will have a vendor job fair at SG/PRC on May 3, 2024. There are VAC members participating in Grassroots Day as part of the SG/PRC delegation.

**G. STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Julie Chetney presented on behalf of Mr. Cruickshank. The Board approved the Strategic Plan at the last Board meeting, and it is now in the design phase.

**H. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

Julie Chetney, Board President, reported the following updates from the ARCA Board meeting:

- Effective regional center board recruitment was a strong topic, information received will be shared with the Strategic Development Committee.
- Everyone in the system is opposing the delay increases to service providers.
- Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Service Access and Equity, presented “Promising Practices for Supporting Diverse Communities” and shared his department structure and current initiatives.
- A Master Plan for developmental disabilities is being developed. There’s a meeting about it on April 10, 2024. It will analyze what is working and what is not.

**I. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT:**

Jesse Weller, Executive Director, discussed the following (for the complete, detailed Director’s Report, please see attachment)

- Strategic Planning Updates – the Board of Directors approved the 2024/27 Strategic Plan along with the SG/PRC’s new vision, mission, and values on February 24, 2024. SG/PRC is working closely with consultants to finalize the design plan and communication strategy.
- On March 18, 2024, he was a guest on the Good Day LA Live Show on AM 1540, alongside Amos Byun (Community Outreach Specialist), to be interviewed on live radio on topics that ranged from discussing what is a regional center, eligibility, services and supports available, and SG/PRC’s mission/vision/values.
- ARCA Grassroots Day will occur in-person in Sacramento on Monday April 1, 2024, and Tuesday April 2, 2024. SG/PRC will be represented with staff, service providers, an individual served, and a parent as our stakeholder delegates to meet with legislators.
- Save the date for Friday April 12, 2024, from 4PM-7PM to attend SG/PRC’s

annual spring dance that is coordinated by an intern program with Azusa Pacific University. The event is for individuals served 18+ years and older and will be held at SG/PRC.

- Save the date for Saturday April 13, 2024, from 9AM-Noon to attend the annual event at SG/PRC where you get the opportunity to meet with first responders.
- Save the date for Saturday April 13, 2024, from 10:00AM-4:00PM to attend a fun festival that will feature artists, music, and spontaneous performances. The event will be held at Ganesha Park located at 1575 N. White Ave in Pomona.
- Service providers will be recruiting, screening and hiring professionals to work in the respective industries at SG/PRC on Friday May 3, 2024, from 10:00AM-3:00PM.
- Senate Bill 1281: Advancing Equity and Access to the Self Determination Program: The bill makes the processes simpler to enroll and stay in the program, affirms the right of SDP participants to choose their services and providers, allows people entering the SDP have access to transition support from people they choose and trust, and ensures access to and responsiveness from Financial Management Services while defining what costs they can pass on to the participants.
- The Department sent guidance to regional centers on adhering to relevant statute and the Department’s guidelines when developing the FY 2024/25 performance contract.
- Coordinated Career Pathways (CCP) is a new service designed for individuals exiting work activity programs, subminimum wage settings, or within two years of exiting secondary education to achieve or advance in competitive Integrated employment (CIE).
- He announced the retirement of Tricia Vannucci, Associate Director of Adult and Residential Services.
- As of February 29, 2024, SG/PRC has 508 authorized positions.
- As of February 2024, SG/PRC served 16,820 individuals.
- As of February 29, 2024, SG/PRC enrolled 158 participants in the Self-Determination Program.

## **J. SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Service Access and Equity, presented the following information on the 2021-2022 National Core Indicator for Children, Adult and Guardians

- What is National Core Indicators?
- Trailer Bill Language affective statutes of FY 21-22

- National Core Indicators FY 21-22
- Information and Planning
- Access and Delivery of Supports
- Health and Safety
- Satisfaction
- Adult Family Survey Focusing Area
- Child Family Survey Focusing Area
- Next Steps
- Implementing Recommendations

Salvador Gonzalez, Director of Service Access and Equity, presented the following information on the 2022-2023 POS Expenditure Data

- Background
- SG/PRC Demographics
- SG/PRC’s Comparison of Clients for both
- SG/PRC Performance Contract 2023 Measure #20
- FY 2016 & FY 2023 Per Capita Expenditures by Ethnicity
  - Age 0-2 at Home
  - Age 3-21 at Home
  - Age 22+ at Home
- SG/PRC Individuals by Residence Type from 2016-2023
- Comparison of POS Expenditures by Living Option FY20-23
- SG/PRC Outreach
- SG/PRC Language Access and Cultural Competency
- SG/PRC Education Specialist
- SG/PRC Deaf and Hard of Hearing Specialist
- SG/PRC Performance Contract 2023, Measures 19 – Variance
- SG/PRC Recommendations and Plan to Promote Equity
- Specialized Caseloads
- 2023 -2023 SG/PRC Equity Partners
- SGPRC Website

**K. OTHER BOARD & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**L. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

**Next meeting on Wednesday, April 24, 2024 at 7:15 p.m.**

**BOARD MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 27, 2024 MEETING**

Submitted by:

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Patricia Gonzales, Board Secretary

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Date