

Alta California Regional Center
Executive Committee Meeting
Monday, June 13, 2022
Minutes

Present:

Rita Walker, President
Anwar Safvi, Vice President
Michelle Rewerts, Secretary &
ARCA-CAC Rep
Yang Sun, Finance Comm. Chair
Carmen Aguilar, Member-at-Large
Jackie Armstrong, Member-at-Large

Board Members:

Johnny Deng
Dan Lake
Amy Lampe
Elaine Linn
Kelly Pennington
Retha Seabron
Patty Wallace

Visitors:

Maureen Fitzgerald

Staff:

Lori Banales, Executive Director
Iqbal Ahmad, Chief Financial Officer
John Decker, Director of Community
Services
Camelia Houston, Director of Intake &
Clinical Services
Mechelle Johnson, Director of Client
Services
Lisa West, Executive Secretary

The Executive Committee met on Monday, June 13, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. by Webex/teleconference to discuss: 1) June 29th Board Meeting – Special Session; 2) Approve Draft 2022-2025 Strategic Plan; 3) Approve FY 2022-23 Board Committee Meeting Schedule; and 4) Executive Director's Report.

- *No announcements/comments were shared.*

Without objection, Rita Walker made the motion to adopt the Executive Committee meeting minutes of May 9, 2022 as submitted.

1. June 29th Board Meeting – Special Session

- Ms. Walker shared although June is normally a month where the Board does not meet. We are proposing a special session Board meeting on June 29th in order to approve several items before the end of the fiscal year (FY), June 30th.

Without objection, Jackie Armstrong made the motion to approve the June 29th Board meeting.

2. Approve Draft 2022-2025 Strategic Plan

- Earlier today, the Strategic Planning Committee (SPC) made a motion for this three-and-a-half-year Strategic Plan to come to this committee so that it could be go before the full Board on June 29th for a formal vote. Ms.

Walker noted that it is a rather robust and inclusive plan, engaging the community beyond the walls of the regional center.

Without objection, Jackie Armstrong made the motion to recommend to the full Board the approval of the draft 2022-2025 Strategic Plan as presented.

3. Approve FY 2022-23 Board Committee Meeting Schedule

- Ms. Walker noted that last month, the Board approved the full Board meeting schedule and this schedule is for committee meetings.

Without objection, Anwar Safvi made the motion to recommend to the full Board the approval of the FY 2022-23 Board committee meeting schedule as presented.

4. Executive Director's Report

- The Association of Regional Center Agencies (ARCA) is calling for advocacy. The legislature came to an agreement, which is before Governor Newsom. The proposal is asking for the modification to the Core Staffing Formula (CSF), the acceleration of the rate study and the elimination of the parental fees. The advocacy request will be pushed out through our agency's social media.
 - Ms. Banales is hopeful that everyone will make a call to the Governor's office.
- ACRC is constantly looking at different ways to recruit. In the second quarter of this calendar year (April, May & June), we brought on 48 new employees, while 28 termed off. We already have 17 identified new employees starting on July 1st; this number will continue to grow.
- On June 28th, ARCA is hosting a family/client-centered webinar on social recreation and camp services.
 - Information will be shared with Board members.
- As Ms. Banales has shared with the Board, after the Board approved the initial Social Recreation Policy, it was sent to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and they indicated that they would like a few minor revisions. ACRC staff met with the department and then the revised policy was brought before the Board and was approved. Now, DDS is asking for further revisions.
 - Ms. Banales may bring to the full Board another iteration at the June 29th Board meeting.
- ACRC has elected to add Juneteenth to our annual holiday schedule beginning this year.

The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for **Monday, July 11, 2022**. The meeting adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

cc: ACRC Board of Directors
Lori Banales