

North Los Angeles County Regional Center
Consumer Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
October 4, 2016

Present: Pam Aiona, Melissa Ferman, Lesly Forbes, Jacob Freeman, Daniel Garcia, Hillary Marides, William Rayber, Ben Segel-Evans, and Adam Stokes – Committee Members

Absent: All present

1. Call to Order & Introductions

Daniel Garcia, CAC chair, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Introductions were made.

2. Public Input - There was no public input.

3. Consent Items

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of Minutes of September 6th Meeting

The agenda and minutes were approved as presented.

4. Committee Business

A. Reports on Employment, Transportation, Legislation, and Housing (All)

- 1. Report on Access Services Meeting (Liz) – Deferred
- 2. NLACRC's Candidates' Forums: October 6th & October 18th

The center's first candidates' forum will be held Thursday night at 6:30 p.m. at the Santa Clarita Activities Center and our second forum will be held at 6:30 pm. on Tuesday, October 18th at Sam's Café at New Horizons in North Hills. Our area is losing 2 of its current senators, Fran Pavley and Carol Liu, who have been champions for our system. We want whoever takes their places to know that the developmental disabilities system has a dynamic force of advocates behind it! We want to make sure there is standing room only!! Please come to the candidates' forum on

October 18th and bring as many people as you can with you. These candidates need to see our numbers so they remember us when they are making budget decisions in Sacramento. Fliers for the events were provided to the CAC.

3. State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD): Housing

The SCDD is concerned about the statewide problem of the lack of affordable and accessible housing. The SCDD is currently developing its legislative priorities for 2017 and housing is near the top of the list. The SCDD has stated that they look forward to working with California's legislators to create a substantial stock of affordable, accessible housing for people with developmental disabilities.

B. Self-Advocacy Group Meeting Schedule (Jose)

Per the CAC's request at last month's meeting, copies of the meeting schedule were included in the meeting packet. The group meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 10:45 a.m. to noon. The meetings are held at the center's San Fernando Valley office in Chatsworth. The next self-advocacy group meeting will be held Tuesday, October 18th, at 10:45 a.m. Please join them!

C. Report on LA Care Regional Community Advisory Committee (RCAC) Meeting

Hillary reported that the RCAC Regional 2 meetings are held at 10807 San Fernando Road in Pacoima. The last meeting was held August 15th and the next meeting will be held October 17th, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The following items are on the agenda for that meeting:

- Learn about L.A. Care business from the Executive Community Advisory Committee and the Community Outreach & Engagement Department.
- Provide an opportunity to identify community issues affecting members in the region.
- Connect with Health Navigators to address individual member issues.
- Discuss the 2016 RCAC Community Work Plan Project and acknowledge member participation.

D. Updated Event Calendar

There were 4 events listed on the CAC's calendar – all free of cost:

1. A Taste of Encino on October 9th
2. Tierra del Sol Fall Festival on October 15th
3. Sherman Oaks Street Fair on October 16th
4. Special Needs Resource Fair at CSUN on October 29th

E. Training/Presentation Calendar for FY 2016-17

Copies of the calendar were included in the meeting packet. Presentations have been scheduled for all of the CAC meetings this fiscal year except for April and May, 2017. Please think about what other presentations you might like to see!

F. Review Agenda for Board of Trustees Meeting (Jennifer)

Copies of the agenda for the October 13th board meeting were provided. The October board meeting is always held in the Antelope Valley. This year, the meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. at Desert Haven Enterprises in Lancaster. Highlights of the agenda included approval of many contracts with costs over \$250,000 plus approval of the center's performance contract for 2017.

G. Holiday Lunch

Each year, the CAC holds its annual holiday luncheon before the November CAC meeting. This year, the lunch will be held from noon to 1:00 p.m. and the CAC meeting will start early at 1:00 p.m. and end by 2:30 p.m. We usually have lunch from Boston Market and each CAC member will be able to invite a guest. Jose will be sending out invitations to the luncheon later this month.

6. Identify Agenda Items for the Next Board Meeting

The following item was identified for the CAC's section of the November 9th board meeting agenda:

- A. Minutes from October 4th Meeting

7. Announcements / Information / Public Input

- A. CAC Attendance Sheet

The updated attendance sheet is always included in the monthly meeting packet. CAC members cannot miss 3 meetings in a row or 5 meetings in a 12-month period.

- B. CAC Luncheon: Tuesday, November 1st, 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.
- B. Next CAC Meeting: Tuesday, November 1st, 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.

8. **Adjournment**

Daniel adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Submitted by,

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