

North Los Angeles County Regional Center  
**Consumer Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**

February 7, 2017

**Present:** Pam Aiona, Melissa Ferman, Lesly Forbes, William Rayber, Ben Segel-Evans,  
and Adam Stokes – Committee Members

Liz Lyons – Guests

Jose Rodriguez – Staff Member

**Absent:** Jacob Freeman

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**1. Call to Order & Introductions**

Pam Aiona, CAC chair, called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m. After introductions were made, everyone sang “Happy Birthday” to Pam who has a birthday this month!

**2. Public Input** – There was no public input.

**3. Consent Items**

A. Approval of Agenda

**M/S/C** (L. Forbes/W. Rayber) To approve the agenda as presented.

B. Approval of Minutes of January 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting

**M/S/C** (W. Rayber/B. Segel-Evans) To approve the minutes as presented.

**4. Committee Business**

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

1. Report on Access Services Meeting: Liz reported that there will be no immediate increases in fares. The MTA reported that changes were made to their website to be more interactive for people with disabilities. The Access Services meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. The Metro meetings are held the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

2. Bus Lines: William reported that bus lines 162 and 163 now run on weekends.

B. Report on January 13<sup>th</sup> ARCA CAC Meeting (William)

The Association of Regional Center Agencies' (ARCA's) CAC met last month in Sacramento. William is an ARCA CAC member and attended that meeting. Meeting highlights included:

1. The meeting chairperson's report.
2. A Facebook presentation.
3. A report on what the other ARCA committees were up to.
4. Discussion about the CAC's priorities for 2017.
5. In-n-Out hamburgers for lunch!

William will be terming off of the board in June, so his last ARCA CAC meeting will be held in April. Jessica Gould, a consumer board member, will be taking William's place as ARCA CAC delegate in July.

C. New CAC Vice Chair

1. Candidates' Statements: Lesly and Adam both gave their speech on why they would like to become vice chair of the CAC.
2. Election by Ballot: An election was held at Lesly was elected to serve as the new CAC vice chair.

D. Report on LA Care Meeting (Hillary)

Jose reported that Hillary resigned from the CAC and also from LA Care in order to pursue full time employment. She will be missed!

E. Training/Presentation Calendar for FY 2016-17

Melissa reported that she had no luck trying to arrange a presentation by the Department of Rehabilitation. Jose reported that he met someone from the Department of Rehabilitation at the last job fair he attended and that person agreed to come talk with the CAC although Jose is still working to schedule the date.

F. Review Agenda for Board of Trustees Meeting

Copies of the agenda for the February 8<sup>th</sup> board meeting were provided and Liz

reviewed it with the CAC.

G. Event Calendar

Jose provided everyone with copies of the updated event calendar and also with fliers for the events that were listed.

**5. Identify Agenda Items for the Next Board Meeting**

The following item was identified for the CAC's section of the February 8<sup>th</sup> board meeting agenda:

A. Minutes from February 7th Meeting

**6. Announcements / Information / Public Input**

A. CAC Attendance Sheet

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

B. Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 7, 2017

**7. Adjournment**

Pam adjourned the meeting at 3:25 p.m.

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