

NOTICE/AGENDA

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

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TELECONFERENCE LOCATION

North Valley Hills Regional Office

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JOIN VIA ZOOM:

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DATE: February 1, 2024

TIME: 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

COMMITTEE CHAIR:

Item 1. CALL TO ORDER

Item 2. ESTABLISH QUORUM

Item 3. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

JOIN BY TELECONFERENCE:

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Item 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This item is for members of the public to provide comments and/or present information to this body on matters not listed on the agenda. There will be up to 20 minutes allocated to hear from the public with each person allotted up to 3 minutes to comment.

Additionally, there will be up to 10 minutes allocated to hear from the public on each Council agenda item, with each person allotted up to 1 minute to comment.

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Presented by: Kara Ponton, Committee Chair

- a. Review Council Applications for Expiring 2nd Term Seat(s)
 - North Valley Hills Region
 - Orange County Region

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a. San Diego Regional Advisory Committee

Item 10. ADJOURNMENT

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AGENDA ITEM 5.

ACTION ITEM

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – Membership Committee

Approval of November 2023 Minutes

Action Recommended

Approve the November 2023, minutes.

Attachment(s)

Approve the November 2023, Minutes



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Membership Committee Meeting Minutes November 9, 2023

Attending Members

Kara Ponton, Chair (SA) Aaron Carruthers Eric Ybarra (SA) Beth Hurn Michael Ellis (FA) Chris Arroyo

Members Absent

Harold Ashe (FA)

Others Attending

Aaron Carruthers
Beth Hurn
Chris Arroyo
David Grady
Julie Eby-Mckenzie
Lisa Hooks

Others Attending (continued)

Renee Bauer Robin Maitino-Erben Scarlett vonThenen Sheraden Nicholau Yolanda Cruz

1. CALL TO ORDER

Council Chair Kara Ponton (SA) called the meeting to order at 10:36 A.M.

2. ESTABLISH QUORUM

A quorum was established.

3. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Members and others introduced themselves as indicated.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

5. APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 2023 MEETING MINUTES

It was moved/seconded (Ybarra [SA]/Ellis [FA]) and carried to approve the February 23, 2023, meeting minutes as presented. (Motion passed unanimously, see page one for members present.)

6. **DEMOGRAPHIC MAP**

Executive Director Aaron Carruthers reviewed a map showing the current demographic makeup of the Council.

7. APPOINTMENT AND VACANCIES

Executive Director Carruthers presented the current Appointment and Vacancies Tracking Form to the Committee.

8. APPLICATIONS FOR COUNCIL

Committee Members reviewed applications for expiring 2nd term Council seats (At Large/North Valley Hills and Orange County Regions). Following their review, the Committee took the following actions.

It was moved/seconded (Ybarra [SA]/Ponton [SA]) and carried to move applicants 735, 740, 744, 767, 770, 775, and 477 forward to the interview process for the open Council seats and to hold applicant 225 for future consideration. (Unanimous, see page one for members present.)

9. RAC ROSTER

The current RAC roster was presented to the Committee.

10. REVIEW AND TAKE ACTION ON RAC APPLICATIONS

The Committee reviewed both expiring first and second term appointments for the listed regional office Regional Advisory Committees (RACs) as well as applications for vacant seats and the below action to approve manager's recommendations.

It was moved/seconded (Ponton [SA]/Ybarra [SA]) and carried to adopt the regional manager's recommendations as indicated below. (Unanimous, see page one for members present)

- Bay Area Regional Advisory Committee: appoint 734.
- Central Coast Regional Advisory Committee: appoint 752, reappoint 521.
- Los Angeles Regional Advisory Committee: appoint 773.
- North Bay Regional Advisory Committee appoint 738, 746, 775, 656, and 770; reappoint 37, 49, 48, 640, 386, and 486.
- North State Regional Advisory Committee: appoint 727, 750, 754, and 762; reappoint 517, 530, and 516.
- Orange County Regional Advisory Committee: reappoint 502.
- San Bernardino Regional Advisory Committee: appoint 729, 740, and 744; reappoint 503.
- San Diego Imperial Regional Advisory Committee: appoint 674 and 735; reappoint 510, 531, and 529.
- Sequoia Regional Advisory Committee: appoint 757.

The following applicants have been put on the wait list to be appointed when a vacancy occurs.

Applicant Number

736, 768, and 767

11. LOCAL SDAC ROSTER

The current local SDAC roster was presented to the Committee.

12. MEMBERSHIP PROCESS: RAC AND LOCAL SDAC

Executive Director Aaron Carruthers reviewed current membership practices, former committee actions, and staff recommendations for a change in the membership process for RAC and Local SDACs. To reduce the length of time that seats sit vacant, staff is recommending that the Membership Committee establish a workgroup made up of the Membership Committee Chair (or their designee), the Executive Director (or their designee), and regional managers to appoint members to serve on the RACs and Local SDACs.

It was moved/seconded (Ponton [SA]/Ybarra [SA]) and carried to establish a workgroup made up of the Membership Committee Chair (or their designee), the Executive Director (or their designee), and regional managers to vet and appoint Local Self-Determination and Regional Advisory Committee members. (Motion passed unanimously, see page 1 for a list of members present)

13. REVIEW AND TAKE ACTION ON LOCAL SELF-DETERMINATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPLICATIONS

The Committee reviewed applications for four regional centers and acted to fill SDAC vacancies as indicated below.

It was moved/seconded (Ponton [SA]/Ybarra [SA]) and carried to adopt the mangers recommendations as follows. (Unanimous, see page one for members present)

Appoint 339 – Far Northern Regional Center

Appoint 286 – Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center

Appoint 310 and 342 - Golden Gate Regional Center

Appoint 257, 288, and 295 – Inland Regional Center

Appoint 265 - North Bay Regional Center

Appoint X29 and 298 - North Los Angeles Regional Center

Appoint 301 – Tri Counties Regional Center

14. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting at adjourned at 1:39 P.M.

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AGENDA ITEM 6. INFORMATIONAL ITEM

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Demographic Map

Executive Director Aaron Carruthers will go over the current Council make-up.

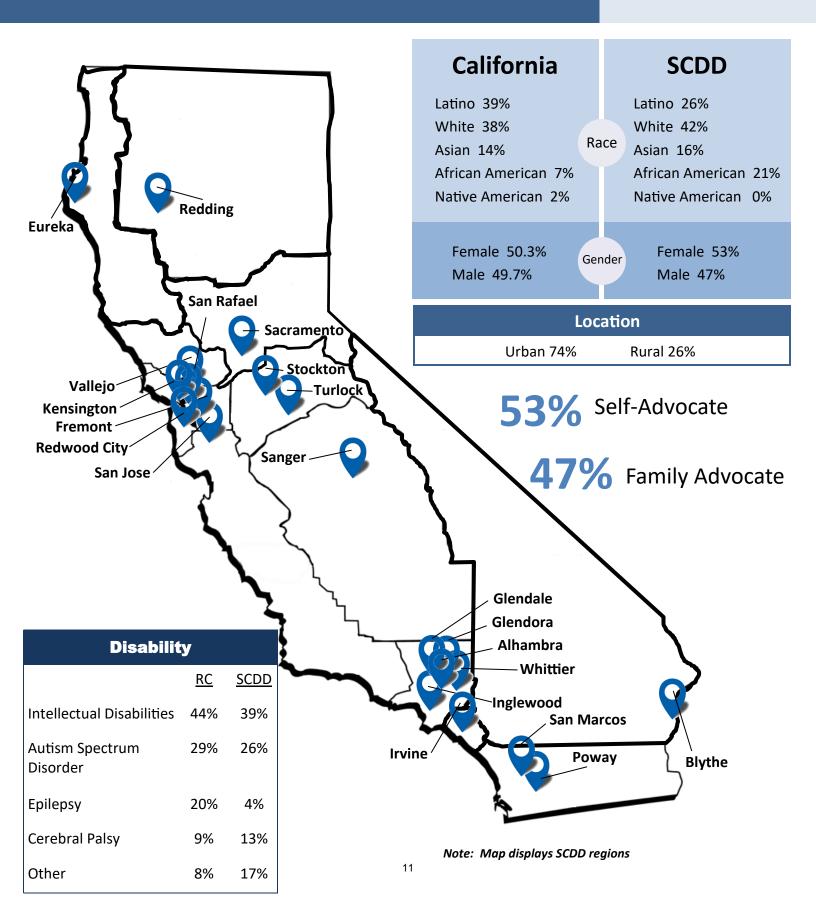
Attachment(s)

Current Demographic Map as of October 2023

Who Are Our Council Members

Non-Agency
Proposed October 2023





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AGENDA ITEM 7. INFORMATIONAL ITEM

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Appointment and Vacancies

Executive Director Aaron Carruthers will go over the appointment and vacancy chart in the packet. This chart show Councilmember term limits as well as information on the seat they represent.

Attachment(s)

Appointment and Vacancy Chart

Appointment and Vacancy Tracking Form

Catagorius	Nome	*1st Term	*2nd Term	Expiration	Expired	Expired	Sent
Category	Name	Appointment	Appointment	Date	>60	>120	to G.O.
At Large Institution	Harold Fujita (family advocate)	9/16/2021		9/16/2024			
At Large 1	Eric Ybarra (self-advocate)	3/30/2022		3/30/2025			
At Large 2	Lee Bycel (family advocate)	6/14/2019	8/2/2022	8/2/2025			
At Large 3	Harold Ashe (family advocate)	9/16/2021		9/16/2024			
At Large 4	Wesley Witherspoon (self-advocate)	5/18/2018	3/30/2022	3/30/2025			
At Large 5	Julie Gaona (self-advocate)	10/20/2022		10/20/2025			
At Large 6	Nestor Nieves (self-advocate)	5/18/2023		5/18/2026			
At Large 7	Nicole Adler (self-advocate)	12/7/2018	3/30/2022	3/30/2025			
North Coast Region	Kara Ponton (self-advocate)	6/14/2019	8/2/2022	8/2/2025			
North State Region	Rosanna Ryan (self-advocate)	6/14/2019	8/2/2022	8/2/2025			
Sacramento Region	Joyce McNair (family advocate)	6/14/2019	8/2/2022	8/2/2025			

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Appointment and Vacancy Tracking Form

		*1st Term	*2nd Term	Expiration	Expired	Expired	Sent
Category	Name	Appointment	Appointment	Date	>60	>120	to G.O.
North Bay Region	Sonia Jones (self-advocate)	5/18/2023		5/18/2026			
Bay Area Region	Alex Reyes (self-advocate)	3/30/2022		3/30/2025			
N. Valley Hills Region	Kilolo Brodie (family advocate)	7/7/2017	12/2/2020	12/2/2023			
Central Coast Region	Viviana Barnwell (family-advocate)	9/16/2021		9/16/2024			
Sequoia Region	Michael Ellis (family advocate)	9/16/2021		9/16/2024			
Los Angeles Region	Cathay Liu (family advocate)	9/16/2021		9/16/2024			
Orange County Region	Vacant						
San Bernardino Region	Julio Garnica (self-advocate)	7/9/2019	8/2/2022	8/2/2025			
San Diego Imperial Region	Jessica Brown (family advocate)	5/18/2023		5/18/2026			
Dept. of Rehabilitation	Joe Xavier, Director Michael Thomas, Designee	Ongoing	Ongoing				
Dept. of Education	Tony Thurmond, Director Nick Wavrin, Designee	Ongoing	Ongoing				

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Appointment and Vacancy Tracking Form

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Notes: 1) 3- Year Term

2) Appointee can serve two successive terms.

3) Continues to serve until appointment of replacement is done.

4) Of the 20 non-agency members, at least 7 are people with DD and at least 7 are parent, family member, guardian or conservator of someone with DD residing in CA. All 20 must fall into one category or the other.

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AGENDA ITEM 8. ACTION ITEM

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Applications for Council

Members will review and make recommendations on applications to fill the two Council seat vacancies.

Recommendation

Move selected applicants forward to the interview process.

Attachment(s)

Applications 780 and 225 for the Following Seats

- North Valley Hills Region
- Orange County Region

Handout(s)

There may be additional handouts the day of the meeting.

NORTH VALLEY HILLS APPLICATIONS

Redacted Membership Application

MM-780

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: SAN JOAQUIN

Email: REDACTED Phone: REDACTED

Race: Hispanic or Latino

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

Do you want to serve on the State Council: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

Being a board and executive member with Valley Mountain Reginal Center and my 7 year term is coming to an end.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Enjoy being on Legislative Committee and Bylaw Committee with VMRC, working with Executive Director on visions for VMRC, expanding community outreach with Free Community (campus(Stockton/Modesto) Health Fairs, having providers and other appropriate vendors come together to not only show their services and programs to the families/guardians, but the ability to collaborate with each other to again offer superior support to the needs on the community.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I believe I can bring my experience from working on VMRC board since 2017, and also have a desire to further learn how I can continue to advocate for not only my son but for all consumers and their

families/guardians. My wish is that I can help parents/guardians understand their fear, frustration, guilt and confusion are normal feelings. How we can help guide and teach how to advocate for themselves and their children/dependent. This makes the process so much smoother for the system and the families to receive appropriate services. I believe change needs to come from the inside, I am willing to do the work.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

My personal experience as a parent advocating for my son Charlie with VMRC. The suggestions and changes that were made in VMRC to provide and improve services into the Hispanic community was my main focus. 2019-2021 Board Secretary, 2021-2022 Board Vice President, 2018-2021 Bylaw Committe Chair, 2017-present Legislative Committee and Chair since 2020. My believe that everyone deserves the same opportunity, the choice whether to live as a dependent or independent adult. Ultimately lead a life one desires with their own hopes and dreams just like we all have.

ORANGE COUNTY APPLICATIONS



State Council on Developmental Disabilities Outreach Application



Applicant: 225

Name: REDACTED Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: California

Region: Orange County

Email: REDACTED Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: parent, family member, legal guardian or conservator of a person with a developmental disability

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?" No

Do you want to serve on the State Council and/or a regional advisory committee?

Yes, I want to apply to serve on the State Council Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?

I was interested in teaching students who could learn or have a learning disability so I earned a degree in Learning Disabilities. I then gave birth to a child with special needs and became a consumer of the Orange County Regional Center. Many years ago my local Regional Center awarded me a scholarship to attend a parent advocacy training over a period of 3 months and I believe this training help mold me into the field of alternative education as well as education administrator for adults with special needs. So both my personal life and professional career were devoted to individuals with special needs.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?

I have a vast background of knowledge and interest in students with special needs from K through adult transition. When I was the principal of an adult transition

program I realized that this is an exciting age group of adults to work with and prepare for real life. I would be happy to serve in any capacity that you have a need for.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

As a parent of a special needs son as well as being a special education teacher, I have seen the mistakes we made educating students with special needs over the past 38 years in California. I have seen where we have been and where we need to go in serving individuals with special needs. I have written and revised California ed code and as a retired educator I would now like to provide my time and energy to support the work of our State Council on Developmental Disabilities and/or my local Regional Advisory Committee.

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?

I have a background as a parent of a child with special needs, a special education teacher of students in K-adult transition education well as a high school and alternative education principal. I have served on the board of the California Consortium for Independent Study (the state organization that supports parents, teachers and students in independent study in California). As President of this board, I worked with lobbyists in Sacramento and have testified before the Senate Education SubCommittee to affect changes in independent study law. I believe my vast background brings strengths that few others possess.

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AGENDA ITEM 9. ACTION ITEM

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Review & Take Action on RAC Applications

The Committee will review and appoint members to the below listed RACs. Regional managers will also update the Committee on any change of status to RAC membership due to policy violations.

a. San Diego Regional Advisory Committee

Recommendation

Appoint manager-recommended members to the regional advisory committees listed above.

Attachment(s)

Regional Advisory Committee Applications

San Diego/Imperial



Regional Advisory Committee Candidates

Redacted Membership Application

MM-779

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: San Diego

Email: REDACTED Phone: REDACTED

Race: White

I am a: representative of the general public

Are you currently employed by, or a member of the governing board of an organization providing services to persons with developmental disabilities?:

Yes

Are you a member of a nongovernmental agency that does not receive regional center funding?

Do you want to serve on the State Council:

Do you want to serve on a Regional Advisory Committee: Yes, I want to apply to serve on the Regional Advisory Committee

How did your interest in, or knowledge of, the developmental disability field and service system develop?:

I have a background working as a Special Day Class teacher in the K-5 public school setting. I currently work as an Education Advocate at the Viejas Tribal Education Center. A big part of my role is supporting children and adults in navigating 504 plans, IEPs, and SDRC services. I am working with a few young adults who are currently transitioning out of the public school system, so it has been eye opening to learn more about adult resources and how challenging it can be to access everything.

What are your areas of interest in the developmental disability field and service system?:

Making resources easier to navigate, supporting families as a whole throughout the process, ensuring that people don't fall through the cracks due to barriers.

Please explain why you wish to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, or on one of its Regional Advisory Committees:

I want to be able to support more people in accessing the services they need

What strengths would you bring to the State Council and/or Regional Advisory Committee?:

Knowledge of barriers for folks in rural and underserved communities, knowledge of navigating the IEP system through a former special education teacher's perspective.