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**STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
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DATE: May 20, 2024
TIME: 12:00 PM – 12:30 PM

COMMITTEE CHAIR:

Kara Ponton

Item 1. CALL TO ORDER

Item 2. ESTABLISH QUORUM

Item 3. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

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.

Item 5. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 2024 MINUTES  Page 3

Item 6. MEMBERSHIP WORKGROUP REPORT Page 7

Presented by: Kara Ponton, Committee Chair

Item 7. DEMOGRAPHIC MAP Page 17

Presented by: Aaron Carruthers, Executive Director

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Presented by: Aaron Carruthers, Executive Director

Item 9. APPLICATIONS FOR COUNCIL  Page 27

Presented by: Kara Ponton, Committee Chair

- a. *Review Council Applications for Expiring 2nd Term Seat(s)*
 - *North Valley Hills Region*
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Item 10. ADJOURNMENT

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AGENDA ITEM 5.

ACTION ITEM

**STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES –
Membership Committee**

Approval of February 2024 Minutes

Members will review and act on the February 1, 2024, meeting minutes.

Action Recommended

Approve the February 2024, minutes.

Attachment(s)

February 1, 2024, Minutes

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**Membership Committee Meeting Minutes
February 1, 2024**

Attending Members

Kara Ponton, Chair (SA)
Eric Ybarra (SA)
Harold Ashe (FA)

Others Attending

Aaron Carruthers
Beth Hurn
Dena Hernandez
Ibrahim Muttaqi
Mary Ellen Stives

Others Attending (continued)

Robin Maitino-Erben
Scarlett VonThenen
Sarah Davenport

Members Absent

None

1. CALL TO ORDER

Council Chair Kara Ponton (SA) called the meeting to order at 11:04 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 NOVEMBER 2023 MEETING MINUTES

It was moved/seconded (Ybarra [SA]/Ashe [FA]) and carried to approve the November 9, 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 the two vacant Council seats (North Valley Hills and Orange County). Following their review, the Committee moved on to Agenda Item 9 before taking the below action to move applicants 225, 792 and 780 to the next phase of the interview process.

9. REVIEW AND TAKE ACTION ON RAC APPLICATIONS

The Committee reviewed one application for an open seat on the San Diego Regional Advisory Committee

It was moved/seconded (Ashe [FA]/Ybarra [SA]) and carried to move applicants 225, 792 and 780 forward to the interview process for the open Council seats and to adopt the regional manager's recommendation to appoint applicant 779 for the San Diego RAC. (Unanimous, see page one for members present)

10. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting at adjourned at 12:05 P.M.

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**AGENDA ITEM 6.
INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

**STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – MEMBERSHIP
COMMITTEE**

Membership Workgroup Report

In November of 2023, the Membership Committee established a workgroup to review, vet and appoint/reappoint the membership of RACs and Local SDACs, allowing vacancies to be filled in a timely manner. The Membership Workgroup met for the first time on April 25, 2024. Committee Chair Kara Ponton will provide a brief update on the outcomes of that meeting.

Attachment(s)

April 25, 2024, Membership Workgroup Report

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April 25, 2024

Membership Workgroup Report to Committee

Regional Advisory Committee Actions

North Coast Regional Advisory Committee

No new appointments, reappointments or removals.

North State Regional Advisory Committee

RAC Removals

| | |
|-----|---------------|
| 581 | Larry Stevens |
| 750 | Brandie Ryan |

Sacramento Regional Advisory Committee

New Applications

| | |
|-----|----------|
| 719 | Decline |
| 723 | Hold |
| 730 | Appoint |
| 731 | Waitlist |
| 737 | Appoint |
| 748 | Waitlist |
| 777 | Waitlist |
| 788 | Appoint |
| 796 | Waitlist |
| 804 | Waitlist |
| 812 | Hold |
| 810 | Appoint |
| 818 | Appoint |

Removals

| | |
|-----|------------------|
| 634 | Tammi Bradley |
| 593 | Stephani Crespín |
| 114 | Brandy Boyd |

North Bay Regional Advisory Committee

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 795 | Appoint |
|-----|---------|

Reappointments

| | |
|-----|-----------------|
| 49 | Ellen Sweigert |
| 48 | Zoe Bartholemew |
| 486 | Bobby Craig |

Removals

| | |
|----|--------------|
| 37 | Chen Curtiss |
|----|--------------|

Bay Area Regional Advisory Committee

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 787 | Hold |
| 781 | Hold |
| 769 | Appoint |

Reappointments

| | |
|-----|---------------|
| 574 | Florence Wong |
|-----|---------------|

North Valley Hills Regional Advisory Committee

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 806 | Appoint |
| 780 | Appoint |
| 811 | Appoint |

Removals

| | |
|-----|------------------|
| 226 | Jayne Flores |
| 272 | Virginia Sanchez |
| 500 | Kerstin Williams |

Central Coast Regional Advisory Committee

New Applications

| | |
|-----|----------|
| 758 | Appoint |
| 753 | Hold |
| 772 | Hold |
| 794 | Hold |
| 797 | Hold |
| 798 | Hold |
| 800 | Hold |
| 783 | Waitlist |

Removals

| | |
|-----|-------------|
| 227 | Mary Peitso |
|-----|-------------|

Sequoia Regional Advisory Committee

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 785 | Decline |
| 790 | Appoint |

Los Angeles Regional Advisory Committee

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 776 | Decline |
| 791 | Decline |
| 802 | Decline |

Reappointments

| | |
|-----|---------------|
| 556 | Lourdes Gomez |
|-----|---------------|

Removals

| | |
|-----|-----------------|
| 551 | Carla Lehmann |
| 342 | Anahid Kademian |
| 610 | Harold Fujita |
| 499 | Julia Gaona |
| 612 | Cathay Liu |
| 732 | Nestor Nieves |

Orange County Regional Advisory Committee

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 801 | Appoint |
| 803 | Appoint |
| 805 | Decline |
| 807 | Decline |

San Bernardino Regional Advisory Committee

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 782 | Appoint |
| 784 | Appoint |

Removals

| | |
|-----|----------------|
| 295 | Cynthia Cox |
| 708 | Michelle Burns |

San Diego Regional Advisory Committee

New Applications

| | |
|-----|------|
| 793 | Hold |
| 799 | Hold |

Self-Determination Advisory Committee Actions

Redwood Coast Regional Center

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 338 | Appoint |
|-----|---------|

Far Northern Regional Center

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 356 | Appoint |
|-----|---------|

Alta California Regional Center

New Applications

| | |
|-----|----------|
| 381 | Hold |
| 306 | Hold |
| 345 | Waitlist |
| 324 | Waitlist |
| 329 | Withdraw |
| 351 | Hold |
| 361 | Hold |
| 370 | Waitlist |

North Bay Regional Center

Removals

| | |
|-----|-------------|
| X26 | Sonia Jones |
|-----|-------------|

Golden Gate Regional Center

New Applications

| | |
|-----|------|
| 346 | Hold |
| 349 | Hold |

Removals

| | |
|------|----------------|
| X37 | Connie Johnson |
| X247 | David Nguyen |

Regional Center of the East Bay

Removals

| | |
|-----|----------------------|
| 341 | Lilian Ansari |
| X51 | Melissa Crisp-Cooper |

Valley Mountain Regional Center

New Applications

| | |
|-----|----------|
| 378 | Waitlist |
|-----|----------|

San Andres Regional Center

No appointments or removals

Tri Counties Regional Center

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 327 | Decline |
| 360 | Appoint |

Central Valley Regional Center

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 364 | Decline |
| 366 | Appoint |

East Los Angeles Regional Center

Removals

| | |
|-----|----------------|
| 140 | Jocabed Garcia |
|-----|----------------|

Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 374 | Decline |
| 375 | Decline |
| 286 | Appoint |

Removals

| | |
|-----|----------------|
| 123 | Howard McBroom |
| 124 | Mariko Magami |

Harbor Regional Center

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 266 | Appoint |
| 365 | Decline |
| 220 | Appoint |

Removals

| | |
|-----|------------------|
| 132 | Linda Chan Rapp |
| 121 | Juliana Martinez |
| 125 | Vianny Gomes |

North Los Angeles County Regional Center

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 271 | Appoint |
| 350 | Hold |

Removals

| | |
|-----|----------------------|
| 6 | Cheryl Hendrickson |
| 105 | Sandra Baker |
| 29 | Diana Padilla Garcia |

South Central Los Angeles Regional Center

New Applications

| | |
|-----|----------|
| 352 | Decline |
| 353 | Waitlist |
| 355 | Decline |

San Gabriel Pomona Regional Center

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 376 | Decline |
| 358 | Hold |
| 369 | Decline |

Removals

| | |
|-----|------------------|
| 123 | Antony Rodriguez |
|-----|------------------|

Westside Regional Center

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 297 | Appoint |
| 347 | Appoint |

Removals

| | |
|-----|---------------|
| 96 | Brett Gordon |
| 148 | Carla Lehmann |
| 160 | Kim Watson |

Regional Center of Orange County

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 354 | Decline |
| 362 | Decline |
| 368 | Appoint |

Inland Regional Center

New Applications

| | |
|-----|----------|
| 348 | Waitlist |
| 367 | Hold |
| 372 | Waitlist |

San Diego Regional Center

New Applications

| | |
|-----|---------|
| 344 | Appoint |
| 343 | Hold |
| 337 | Hold |
| 359 | Hold |
| 363 | Hold |
| 373 | Hold |

Removals

| | |
|-----|------------|
| 235 | My Dinh |
| 254 | Reva Subra |
| 2 | Kim Rucker |

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**AGENDA ITEM 7.
INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

**STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – MEMBERSHIP
COMMITTEE**

Demographic Map

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

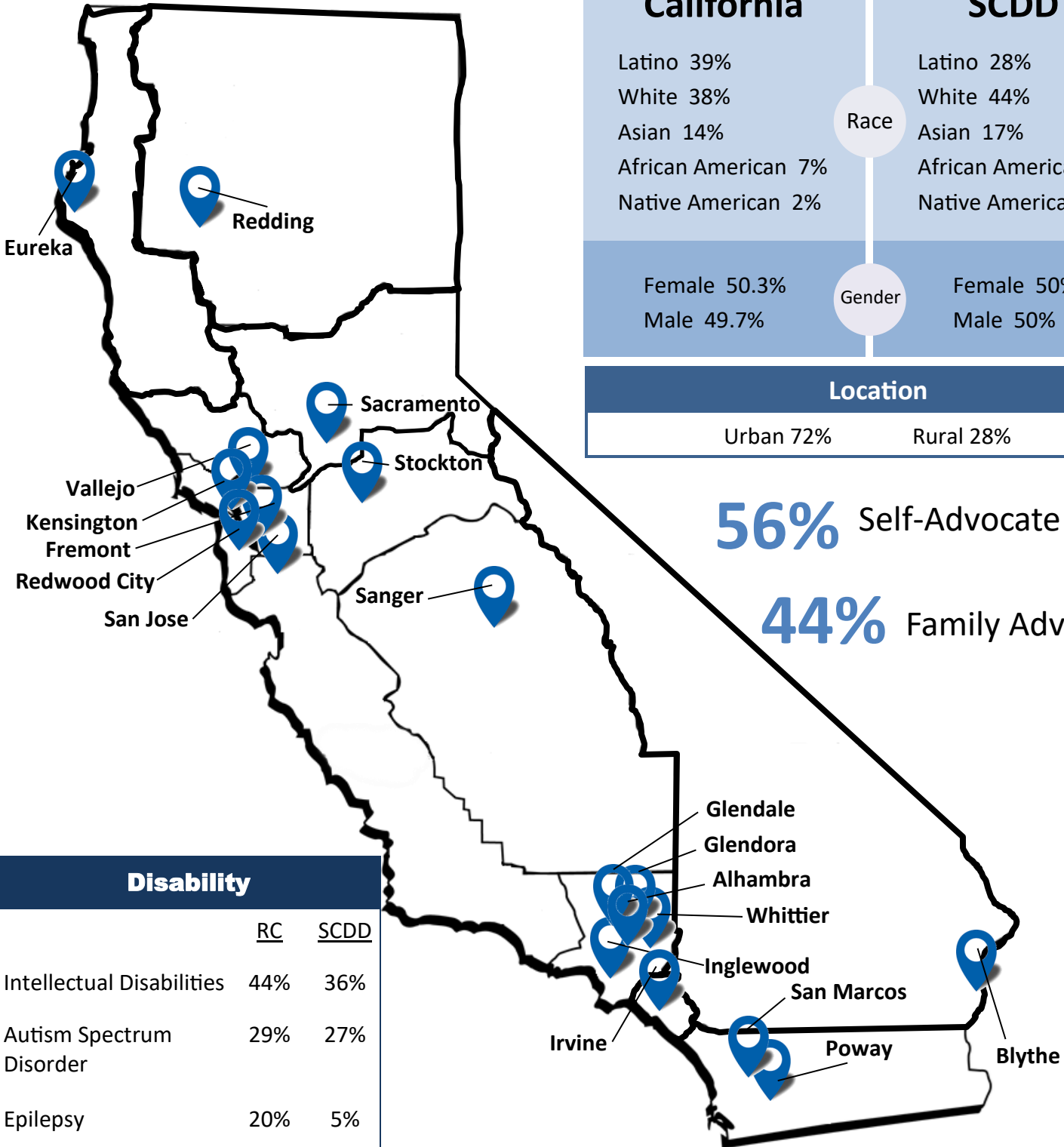
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Current Demographic Map as of May 2024

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Who Are Our Council Members

Non-Agency
Proposed May 2024



| California | SCDD |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| Race | |
| Latino 39% | Latino 28% |
| White 38% | White 44% |
| Asian 14% | Asian 17% |
| African American 7% | African American 17% |
| Native American 2% | Native American 0% |
| Gender | |
| Female 50.3% | Female 50% |
| Male 49.7% | Male 50% |
| Location | |
| Urban 72% | Rural 28% |

56% Self-Advocate

44% Family Advocate

| Disability | Disability | |
|---------------------------|------------|------|
| | RC | SCDD |
| Intellectual Disabilities | 44% | 36% |
| Autism Spectrum Disorder | 29% | 27% |
| Epilepsy | 20% | 5% |
| Cerebral Palsy | 9% | 14% |
| Other | 8% | 18% |

Note: Map displays SCDD regions

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**AGENDA ITEM 8.
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

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Appointment and Vacancy Tracking Form

| Category | Name | *1st Term Appointment | *2nd Term Appointment | Expiration Date | Expired >60 | Expired >120 | Sent 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 | | | |

Appointment and Vacancy Tracking Form

| Category | Name | *1st Term Appointment | *2nd Term Appointment | Expiration Date | Expired >60 | Expired >120 | Sent 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 | Vacant (February 2024) | | | | x | | |
| 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 (February 2023) | | | | | | x |
| 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 Jessica Grove, Designee | Ongoing | Ongoing | | | | |
| Dept. of Education | Tony Thurmond, Director Nick Wavrin, Designee | Ongoing | Ongoing | | | | |

Appointment and Vacancy Tracking Form

| Category | Name | *1st Term Appointment | *2nd Term Appointment | Expiration Date | Expired >60 | Expired >120 | Sent to G.O. |
|--|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| Dept. of Aging | Susan DeMarois, Director Mark Beckley, Designee | Ongoing | Ongoing | | | | |
| CA Health & Human Services Agency | Mark Ghaly, Secretary Debra Cooper, Designee | Ongoing | Ongoing | | | | |
| Dept. of Developmental Services | Nancy Bargmann, Director Brian Winfield, Designee | Ongoing | Ongoing | | | | |
| Dept. of Health Care Services | Michelle Baass, Director Joseph Bilingsley, Designee | Ongoing | Ongoing | | | | |
| Disability Rights CA | Andy Imparato, Director Sandra Smith, Designee | Ongoing | Ongoing | | | | |
| University Center for Excellence UCLA | Elizabeth Laugeson, Director Christine Moody, Yasamin Bolourian, Beth Stoffmacher, Designees | Ongoing | Ongoing | | | | |
| University Center for Excellence USC | Larry Yin, Director | Ongoing | Ongoing | | | | |
| University Center for Excellence UCD | Aubyn Stahmer, Director Janice Enriquez, Designee | Ongoing | Ongoing | | | | |
| Non-Governmental Agency/Group Concerned with Services to Persons with DD | Julie Neward | 12/7/2018 | 3/30/2022 | 3/30/2025 | | | |

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 9.

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 651 and 806 for the North Valley Hills Region

Handout(s)

There may be additional handouts the day of the meeting.

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NORTH VALLEY HILLS APPLICATIONS

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Redacted Membership Application

MM-651

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **CA**

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

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

No

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 two sons with autism. Advocating for their services and researching the condition, services, and treatments have brought many insights and understandings. I am also an instructional coach and see and assist many students and their teachers with recognizing and understanding the disabled. Mostly, I suggest people assume competence and remove limits by introducing accommodations and modifications. I am constantly surprised and encouraged by what I see my son and students accomplishing.

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

My children are autistic and I run a Facebook support group for Autism families in San Joaquin county. My children have had OT, Speech and ABA services. We are currently exploring adult services as they reach that stage.

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

I would like to serve on this council to share my experience of the services of VMRC from childhood diagnosis through adulthood. I would also like to share what's going on with my contacts in the autism community.

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

I am a good listener and communicator. I have ideas about what my children and the children of my friends have difficulty with and the needs that have been expressed to me. I also am good at connecting people with resources and hope to assist with this as well.

Redacted Membership Application

MM-806

Name: REDACTED

Address: REDACTED

County of Residence: **Amadpr**

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

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

No

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?:

I am interested in serving on the board because I am a parent of an adult with a developmental disability. In addition, I teach Adult Transition students and see the lack of supports they routinely encounter. Throughout my son's years in the school system, I have had to fiercely advocate for his needs. Such advocacy involved making comments at public hearings at the Capitol, meeting local elected lawmakers to share our story, involvement in advocacy groups, and involvement in administrative hearings (as the last possible resort).

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

I am interested in the provision of services, vocational training, adult services, services offered through the Dept. of Rehabilitation, and social supports for adults with disabilities,.

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

I am interested in serving on the council because I teach individuals with disabilities and have firsthand

experience with the challenges parenting a child with a disability involves.

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

I have a number of strengths: I am working on my Master's degree in Special Education in which I am studying the impact of vocational training has on students with developmental disabilities. I work and volunteer in my community to network with other agencies and businesses to gain support and vocational opportunities for my students. I am knowledgeable about the needs of individuals with disabilities. On top of all that, I am also a Special Ed. teacher who is passionate about the need for advocacy for and on behalf of individuals with disabilities.