



**Membership Committee Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2023**

Attending Members

Kara Ponton, Chair (SA)
Eric Ybarra (SA)
Michael Ellis (FA)

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 managers 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

Legend:
SA = Self-Advocate
FA = Family Advocate

Appoint 301 – Tri Counties Regional Center

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting at adjourned at 1:39 P.M.