



ELARC: Committee Notes



Committee: FAC CAC

Date of Meeting: **November 15, 2011**

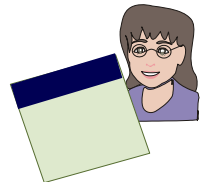
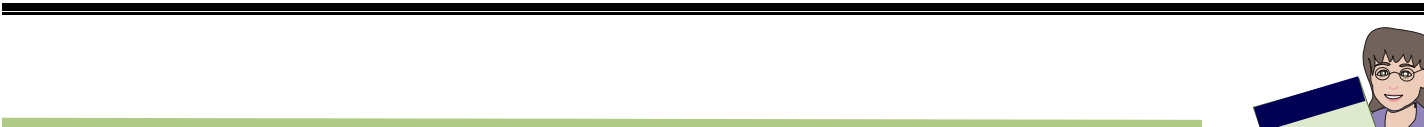
Attendance: Albert Macias, Jennifer Zuniga, DeSean Clay, David Rivas, Roman Castro and Christina Beyelia (Co-Chair)

CAC Chair Miguel Lugo (Chair) Christina Beyelia (Co-Chair)

ELARC Staff: Jesse Padilla, Liz Harrell, Gloria Wong, Gerard Torres, Mary Hosokawa,

Guests: Adriana Passarella, Albert Macias (Almanson Center), (Job Coach) Alejandro Prieto, Hope Barba (Listo) Brian Jimenez, (Vendor)

1. Minutes from August 16, 2011 CAC meeting were approved.



Jesse provided the Consumer Advocate Report Consumer Advocate Report & DDS Update– Jesse Padilla:

- Participant shared her new ACCESS TAP card. She explained:
 - ACCESS still does not have scanning machines
 - She advised to be careful if you use the TAP card as a pass because you could be charged fees (like Target and other retailers).

- Q: Miguel asked Jesse if you could get information on Medical covering dental benefits
- A: Yes at DDS website

2. And an update on the TAP Card.

www.asila.org.



A suggestion was made to have the DDS website posted on the PowerPoint projector at the next meeting for visual understanding

4. Budget Update by Gloria:

- Major deficit in POS:
- 21 – 23 million dollar deficit
- Only one allocation received so far
- Meetings planned to determine if deficit spike system wide (all 21 regional centers) or only with some regional centers
- By December 15, 2011 we will know if there will be additional cuts
- Projected revenue appears to be off by 1.5 billion
- Operations already greatly reduced
- ELARC Executive Board will hold a special meeting in December (usually a dark month) to address what action to take to balance the budget
- More residential resources being created in anticipation of Lanterman closure
- Site in San Gabriel for home is meeting with opposition by some residents
- Gloria will be meeting with a group of these residents to explore their concerns and educate them on law and rights of consumers to live in the community like everyone else
- There is a plan for recruiting family members of individuals served by ELARC to organize an effort to speak to the City Council to counter opposition
- There was a question about using social media to help with this effort. Gloria was concerned about this ending up in as an article in the newspaper that could lead to negative taxpayer reaction.

Jesse Shares 4 +1 PCT Tool

- Good tool to help you sort out what kind of Career/Goals you're looking for in your life. Especially useful with employment decisions.
Group discussion on impact of Trailer Bill Language, that relates to Discussion on need to have updated word processing systems and

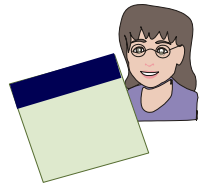
5. Emergency Operations update:

Here is the Emergency Preparedness Update to include in your Consumer Advocate report for the CAC tonight:

- ● **All ELARC staff attended an Emergency Preparedness training on 9/21 which included a presentation by the Red Cross**



- • Both ELARC offices participated in the Great Shakeout on 10/20 by having all staff get under their desks and then evacuate their buildings.
- • ELARC and Lanterman Regional Center and San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center co-hosted a Emergency Preparedness fair for families yesterday in Pasadena.
- • The VAC is hosting a training for Vendors on writing their own Emergency Operations Plans on 11/30
- • An ELARC student intern is contacting all consumers who received an emergency backpack 2 years ago. She is making a home visit to see if they still have the backpack and providing some one on one emergency preparedness tips.
- • ELARC will be hosting a training for consumers on emergency preparedness in the Spring of 2012



6. Education/Transition

Mary H. Presented on TBL AB 104 Special Education Instead of Adult Services

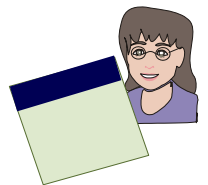
Major points:

- Section added to Lanterman (WIC Section 4648.55):
- Prohibits regional centers from purchasing certain services for consumers 18 – 22
- Who have not received a diploma or certificate of completion from high school
- Three target groups
- Five Services Affected
- IPP role in deciding services purchased
- Exemptions
- If you are using Independent Living Services for college support, this may affect you

7. Announcements/



A fundraiser through Fiesta Educativa is having a Stateline Bus turnaround and will have bingo. Representative from DESI announced a fundraiser happening in April 2012. A flyer will be shared at a future meeting.



OTHER ELARC COMMITTEES and UPCOMING MEETINGS

FAC	<p>Aug 3, (Performance Contract Meeting) 10:00 – 12:00 September 7 4:00pm to 6:00pm</p> <p>October 5 10:00am to 12:00pm November 2 4:00pm to 6:00pm</p>		Contact Liz Harrell for details eharell@elarc.org
ELARC Board	<p>June 14, 2011 July 12</p>	6 pm	Alhambra Boardroom
VAC	June 23, 2011	10 am to 11:30 am	Video Conference: both Alhambra and Whittier



	July 22, 2011	10 am to 11:30am	Boardrooms
CAC	August 16th, 2011	4:00pm to 6:00pm Video Conference: Both Alhambra and Whittier	Contact Jesse Padilla for details jpadilla@elarc.org

GLOSSARY OF ABBREVIATIONS

- ARCA: Association of Regional Center Agencies
 ASA: Autism Society of America
 BOD: Board of Directors
 CAC: Consumer Advisory Committee
 CPAD: Chinese Parents Association for the Disabled
 CMSD: ELARC Community Services Department (Resource Development and Quality Assurance)
 CSD: ELARC Consumer Services Department (Service Coordination)
 DDS: Department of Developmental Services
 ELARC: Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center
 FAC: Family Advisory Committee
 FRC: Family Resource Center
 GHL: Guide to Healthy Living
 I & T: ELARC Information and Training Unit
 OPS: Regional Center Operating Budget
 PICI: Partners in Community Inclusion
 POS: Regional Center Purchase of Service Budget
 SDS: Self-Directed Services
 TASK: Team of Special Advocates for Kids
 VAC: Vendor Advisory Committee
 VLF: Vendor Leadership Forum

