



San Gabriel / Pomona
Regional Center

**SAN GABRIEL/POMONA DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Draft Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
(A California Corporation)**

January 28, 2026

ATTENDANCE

The following members of the Board of Directors were present at said meeting:

PRESENT:

Trish Gonzales
Bill Stewart
Julie Chetney
Joseph Huang
Richard Centeno
Preeti Subramaniam
Tina Wright
Adriana Pinedo
Phillip Loi

STAFF:

Jesse, Weller, Executive Director
Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director
Yvonne Gratianne, Communications and Public
Engagement Officer
Dara Mikesell, Chief Financial Officer
Yeilen Hernandez, Chief People Officer
Salvador Gonzales, Director of Service Access & Equity
Maria Nuñez, PRA and Policy Compliance Manager
Erika Gomez, Liaison to BOD & RDDF
Elba Moreno, Department Assistant, Communications

ABSENT:

Sam Yi
Karen Zarsadiaz – Ige
Kelly Privitt

GUESTS:

Nada Saleh
Willie Ramirez, DDS
Jovenal Malonzo
Yan Li
Mark
Lizeth Lopez-Avila
Yaned Busch

INTERPRETERS:

Spanish – Issac and Eduardo
Mandarin - Chenchung and Ken
Korean - Sally and Kaytlin
Vietnamese – Peter Le
and Thien Ai Choi
ASL - Issac and Leslie

Trish Gonzales, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:18 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.

- The agenda for today’s meeting was reviewed.
- Review of minutes for the December 10, 2025 meeting.
*(M/S/C Wright & Stewart) The Board approved the minutes.
Abstain: Gonzales*

A. PUBLIC INPUT:

- Carl Argila reminded the Board that he records the entire meeting and uploads the video of the meeting to his personal blog. He shared details about his son’s conservatorship, including his wish for the conservatorship to be terminated and asked that more details of his request be added to the minutes.

B. CONSENT AGENDA

Contracts for Review by Tim Travis, Director of Community Services

- California Enhanced Behavior Support Services
- FT Knox

(M/S/C Wright & Stewart) The Board reviewed and approved the contracts based on their policy for contracts over \$250,000.

C. ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR INDIVIDUALS SERVED AND THEIR FAMILIES

Phillip Loi reported that Daniela Santana, Director of Client Services, delivered a presentation on the Strategic Plan. Yvonne Gratianne, Communications and Public Engagement Officer also presented and reviewed the Social Media Policy with the committee. With the committee’s recommendation, Miss Gratianne subsequently presented the Social Media Policy to the Board for review and approval.

(M/S/C Wright & Loi) The Board approved the Social Media Policy.

D. STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mrs. Chetney shared that the committee received the quarterly report on the Strategic Plan. The committee also discussed the Board’s composition needs and the recruitment process

E. VENDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE (VAC)

Kelly Privitt was not present. The committee meeting schedule will resume on February 5, 2026.

F. COMMUNITY RELATIONS/LEGISLATIVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Board President Trish Gonzales shared that the committee discussed the upcoming Grassroots Day event scheduled for March 3, 2026, and received an update on community outreach efforts from Salvador Gonzales, Director of Service Access and Equity.

G. FINACIAL REPORT

Dara Mikesell, Chief Financial Officer, presented the following financial report, that was approved by the Executive Finance Committee on January 14, 2026:

In regional center operations, the allocation based on the B-2 Amendment is projected to meet expenditure projections. Projections include operating continuation costs and expenditures from the prior fiscal year. The operations B-2 allocation for fiscal year 2025-26 is currently at \$57,281,470 with projected expenditures of \$57,281,470. SG/PRC's year-to-date expenditure is \$22,132,555 with projected remaining expenditures of \$35,148,915. This results in a fully utilized allocation with no remaining balance.

The Family Resource Center allocation is projected to meet expenditure projections, resulting in a zero-balance remaining in allocation. The current allocation is \$169,611 with projected expenditures of \$169,611.

The Lanterman Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion program has a current allocation in the amount of \$1,516,624, the full amount is expected to be spent. The Community Placement Plan (CPP) and DC ongoing Workload operations were allocated at 100% in the B-2 amendment.

The Purchase of Service allocation is based on the B-2 amendment in the amount of \$556,363,589. The year-to-date expenditure for services is \$221,103,494, with projected remaining expenditures, including late bills, are estimated at \$335,260,095. This results in a fully utilized allocation with no remaining balance. CPP/CRDP POS is a separate line item, SG/PRC is allocated \$110,000 for placement. SG/PRC is expecting additional allocations in B-3 for Start-up projects.

H. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Trish Gonzales reported on the following:

- A. Recap of 94th California's Annual Capitol Tree Lighting Ceremony – Ms. Gonzales was honored and proud to participate. The event, which included 21 trees surrounding the main tree to represent each regional center, allowed

attendees the opportunity to meet the Governor and First Partner. At the center of this year's celebration were Rebecca and Jude Kessler, five-year-old twins who receive services through SG/PRC and who lost their home in the Eaton Fire.

B. On January 21, 2026, the Board and SG/PRC staff hosted an informal information session via Zoom that gave community members an opportunity to better understand the Board's role and responsibilities. The conversation was engaging and well received. Plans are underway to host another session in the near future to continue building awareness and connection.

C. February is a Board Training Session. The training will be on *Understanding the Full Range of Services Available Through the Regional Center*.

I. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director, provided his [monthly report](#):

- Governor's Proposed Budget for FY 2026/2027 - This is an increase of \$2.4 billion over the current budget. The proposed budget increase funds services for approximately 37,600 more people next year, and regional center costs to support them. It is estimated that nearly 527,000 individuals served by all 21 regional centers in the upcoming fiscal year.
- Fight for Our Health Rally – Was held in Sacramento on January 14, 2026
- Support For the Community, Reliable Information & Resources - SG/PRC recognizes that some members of our community may be feeling worried or unsettled by reports of federal agents and related activity, both locally and across the nation. SG/PRC remains committed to supporting the individuals and families we serve and to connecting them with reliable information and resources.
- California Public Records Act - California Public Records Act (CPRA) is in now in full effect. For any questions regarding CPRA or the request process, please contact Maria Nunez, Public Records and Policy Compliance Manager.
- Purchase of Service (POS), Public Stakeholder Meetings - SG/PRC's Service Access & Equity (SAE) Department will offer in-person and virtual presentations, as required by the Lanterman Act (WIC 4519.5) on who the regional center is spending money on by age, race/ethnicity, primary language, and disability. These presentations will be led by Salvador Gonzales and his team.
- Little Hoover Commission Hearing - The Little Hoover Commission held a

- hearing on Thursday, January 22, 2026, on California’s developmental services system in follow-up to its 2023 report on this topic. The hearing featured a self-advocate, family member, ARCA, and DDS representatives providing their perspective on what has changed, and has not, over the last three years in areas that include consistency, equity, and regional center boards of directors.
- Initiatives to Support Direct Support Professional (DSPs) - The 7 Los Angeles County Regional Centers have partnered with an entity to create a website where vendors can post jobs seeking DSPs (which in turn would increase provider availability) – more info to come soon on the release. There is also a Job Fair scheduled for March 5, 2026, from 11:00am to 2:00pm at Pasadena Church of the Nazarene. (PazNaz) at 3700 E. Sierra Madre Blvd in Pasadena 91107.
 - Mr. Weller enjoyed speaking about state and regional center perspectives with: Angela Pao-Johnson, Executive Director of North Los Angeles County Regional Center, and Katie Hornberger, Deputy Director at Dept. of Developmental Services, at the Empowerment in Practice Conference: Self Determination and Supported Decision Making at California Endowment Los Angeles
 - Irwindale Office Update – The grand opening is scheduled for March, tentatively.
 - As of November 30, 2025, SG/PRC has 575 authorized positions. This total number includes 553.5 full-time equivalent employees (561) Headcount) and 20.5 vacancies.
 - As of December 31, 2025, SG/PRC served 18,183 individuals.
 - As of December 31, 2025, we have 339 individuals enrolled in the Self Determination Program.
 - Review of Draft Policies by Maria Nuñez:
 - California Public Records Act Policy
(M/S/C Wright & Loi) The Board reviewed and approved the California Public Records Act Policy.
 - Electronic Communication Policy
 - *(M/S/C Stewart & Subramaniam) The Board reviewed and approved*

the Electronic Communication Policy.

J. PRESENTATION – Purchase of Service (POS) Expenditure Data for FY 24-25 by Salvador Gonzales, Director of Service Access & Equity

- SG/PRC’s Comparison of Clients for both FY2016 & FY2025
- SG/PRC Performance Contract FY 2024-2025 Measure #21
- FY2016 & FY2025 Per Capita Expenditures by Ethnicity Age 0-2 at Home
- SG/PRC Performance Contract FY 2024-2025 Measure #21
- FY2016 & FY2025 Per Capita Expenditures by Ethnicity Age 3-21 at Home
- SG/PRC Performance Contract FY 2024-2025 Measure #21
- FY2016 & FY2025 Per Capita Expenditures by Ethnicity Age 22+ at Home
- SG/PRC Performance Contract FY 2024-2025 Measure #19-21
- FY2016 & FY2024 Per Capita Expenditures by Ethnicity All Age at Home
- SG/PRC Comparison of Social Recreation SG/PRC by Ethnicity of FY 2024 and FY2025
- SG/PRC Comparison of Other Social Recreation SG/PRC by Ethnicity of FY 2024 and FY2025
- SG/PRC Comparison of Camping SG/PRC by Ethnicity of FY 2024 and FY2025
- Resource Guide
- SG/PRC Recommendations and Plan to Promote Equity
- Connect through www.sgprc.org
- Community Input & Comments

K. OTHER BOARD & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The dA Center for the Arts in Pomona was recognized for its strong commitment to inclusion, accessibility, and equity. Adriana Pinedo highlighted the organization’s efforts to create meaningful arts opportunities for individuals of all abilities, ensuring programs and spaces are welcoming and accessible to everyone.

L. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

Next meeting on Wednesday, February 25, 2026, at 7:15 p.m.

BOARD MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 28, 2026, MEETING

Submitted by:

Julie Chetney, Board Secretary

Date