SAN GABRIEL/POMONA VALLEYS
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES, INC.
Executive/Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

August 12, 2026

PRESENT:
Trish Gonzales, Board President
Preeti Subramaniam, Treasurer
Julie Chetney, Secretary
Bill Stewart, 1st VP
Phillip Loi

ABSENT:

GUESTS:
Mark

STAFF:
Jesse Weller, Executive Director
Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director
Dara Mikesell, Chief Financial Officer
Yeilen Hernandez, Chief People Officer
Tim Travis, Director of Community Services
Maria Nuñez, Public Records and Policy Compliance Manager
Kristy Owens, Senior Executive Assistant
Erika Gomez, Liaison to the BOD and RDDF

ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE/FINANCE COMMITTEE PURSUANT TO SECTION 20.04 OF THE BYLAWS
All actions taken by the Executive/Finance Committee on behalf of the Board of Directors shall be reported at the next meeting of the Board.

The actions taken by the Executive/ Finance Committee at this meeting were:
Approval of Financial Report- For the month of June 2026 in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

The actions taken by the Executive/ Finance Committee at this meeting were:

ITEMS DISCUSSED

A. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>
Trish Gonzales, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:19 pm. A quorum was established.

- The committee reviewed the agenda.

- The committee reviewed and approved the meeting minutes of July 8, 2026. *(M/S/C Stewart& Subramaniam) The Executive Finance Committee approved the minutes.)*

Abstain: Chetney

B. **PUBLIC INPUT:** None

D. **FINANCIAL REPORT** Dara Mikesell, Chief Financial Officer:

Regional Center Operations- Based on the B-5 Amendment, operations allocations are projected to meet expenditure projections. These projections include continuation costs and expenditures carried forward from the prior fiscal year. The FY 2025–26 operations B-5 allocation totals $57,773,373, with projected expenditures equal to the full allocation. Year-to-date expenditures are $51,183,582, with projected remaining expenditures of $6,589,791, resulting in a fully utilized allocation with no remaining balance.

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

Lanterman Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion Program - The program's current allocation is $1,252,121, and expenditures are projected to fully utilize the allocation.

Community Placement Plan (CPP) and Developmental Center (DC) Ongoing Workload Operations CPP and DC ongoing workload operations were allocated at 100% under the B-4 Amendment.

Purchase of Services (POS) - The POS allocation under the B-5 Amendment totals $588,702,805. Year-to-date service expenditures are $527,347,857, with projected remaining expenditures—including late billings—estimated at $61,354,948. This results in a fully utilized allocation with no remaining balance.

Community Placement Plan/Community Resource Development Plan Purchase of Service - is reflected as a separate line item with a current allocation of $924,940 for placement. Additional allocations for start-up projects are anticipated in the B-5 Amendment.

(M/S/C Chetney & Subramaniam) The committee approved the Financial Report.

E. <u>BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT</u>

Trish Gonzales, Board President, provided the following updates:
Upcoming Board Meeting: The August 26, 2026, Board meeting agenda will include a presentation by The Parents' Place and a presentation regarding the National Core Indicators.

- *Code of Conduct and Public Comment Statement*: Ms. Gonzales reported that the recently adopted Code of Conduct for SG/PRC Board and Committee Meetings and Board Chair or Designee Statement for Public Comment at SG/PRC Board Meetings will be implemented moving forward. The documents will be incorporated into the meeting minutes and made available on the SG/PRC website.
- Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee: Ms. Gonzales requested approval of the formation of a Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee, which will review and update the Board bylaws through June 2027. Mr. Weller will also solicit feedback from staff as part of the review process.

(M/S/C Subramaniam & Stewart) The committee approved to recommend the formation of the Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee to the Board for its approval.

F. <u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT</u>

Jesse Weller, Executive Director, presented the following:

Revision of Policies

Process for Submission of Board Policies – Jesse Weller
Mr. Weller presented the Process for Submission of Board Policies as an informational item. He explained that the internal document memorializes the process for policies requiring Board approval and establishes consistent steps for moving policies through the appropriate review process before they are presented to the Board.

Whistleblower Policy
Mr. Weller presented proposed revisions to the Whistleblower Policy resulting from the recent Board training conducted by legal counsel. He explained that legal counsel identified minor areas requiring clarification and updates. Information pertaining to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) was updated, and language recommended by legal counsel was identified in the draft. Mr. Weller noted that the revisions clarify the actions to be taken under

the policy but do not substantially change the existing process.

Ms. Gonzales suggested that SG/PRC also consider developing an internal process for responding to external whistleblower complaints, similar to the process currently in place for staff related matters.

Conflict of Interest Policy
Mr. Weller presented proposed revisions to the Conflict of Interest Policy resulting from legal counsel's review during the recent Board training. He explained that the proposed revisions primarily provide clarification and do not substantially change the existing process. Language recommended by legal counsel was identified in the draft.

Mr. Weller also noted that language stating that DDS could withhold funds for noncompliance was removed because supporting statutory or regulatory language for that provision could not be identified.

(M/S/C Gonzales & Stewart) The committee approved moving the revised policies forward for consideration by the Board.

$350,000 or Above Contract Policy – Tim Travis, Director of Community Services
Mr. Travis presented proposed revisions to the policy governing contracts requiring Board approval. He explained that recent legislative changes increased the threshold for specified contracts requiring Board approval from $250,000 to $350,000.

The updated requirements establish a $350,000 threshold through June 30, 2030. Beginning July 1, 2030, the threshold will increase to $450,000, with an additional $50,000 increase every five years beginning July 1, 2035.
(M/S/C Gonzales & Stewart) The committee approved moving the revised policies forward for consideration by the Board.

Executive Director's Updates:

- Mr. Weller announced that Talesha Payne has been hired as SG/PRC's new Chief Services & Engagement Officer and will begin on August 31, 2026. He noted that the appointment was announced to staff earlier that day.
- *2026/27 Budget Trailer Bill for Developmental Services* - Mr. Weller provided an additional update regarding implementation of the 2026/27

Budget Trailer Bill for Developmental Services, including changes affecting contracts and regional center governing boards. He reported that SG/PRC has developed an internal matrix identifying the applicable legislative changes, responsible staff, and implementation requirements. Mr. Weller also discussed changes consolidating the base regional center contract with the regional center performance contract and performance measures. He noted that SG/PRC will continue reviewing the legislative changes and related DDS guidance to prepare for implementation.

Chief People Officer's Recruitment Report – Yeilen Hernandez
Ms. Hernandez provided an update on recruitment and staffing. She reported that SG/PRC currently has 16 vacant positions and a total headcount of 557 employees.

MEETING ADJOURNED
The meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be held on September 9, 2026, at 7:15pm.

CLOSED SESSION – Legal/Personnel