

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

September 9, 2026

PRESENT:

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

ABSENT:

Julie Chetney
Adriana Pinedo

GUESTS:

Nada Saleh
Mark

STAFF:

Jesse Weller, Executive Director
Lucina Galarza, Deputy Executive Director
Dara Mikesell, Chief Financial Officer
Yeilen Hernandez, Chief People Officer
Talesha Payne, Chief Services & Engagement Officer
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:

ITEMS DISCUSSED

A. CALL TO ORDER

Trish Gonzales, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:18 pm. A quorum was established.

- The committee reviewed the agenda. It was noted that there would be no Financial Report this month as staff transition into the new fiscal year.
- The committee reviewed and approved the meeting minutes of August 12, 2026.

(M/S/C Subramaniam & Loi) The Executive Finance Committee approved the minutes.)

B. PUBLIC INPUT: None

E. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Trish Gonzales, Board President, provided the following updates:

Upcoming Board Meeting 9/23/2026: Reminder of ARCA Academy.

Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee Update: The first meeting will be in person in the Irwindale office on October 20, 2026.

F. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Jesse Weller, Executive Director, presented the following:

Mr. Weller provided an update on a recent Disability Health Summit focused on the lives of individuals with developmental disabilities and the supports they need. Representatives from the State Council and ARCA were among those in attendance. Individuals shared their lived experiences, including challenges accessing healthcare and finding medical providers who treat them with dignity and respect.

Mr. Weller provided an update on the Olmstead Decision, which supports the right of individuals with disabilities to receive services in integrated community settings. He discussed recent federal developments related to the decision and noted concerns regarding their potential impact on disability services. He shared that ARCA has requested support from the Governor and Attorney General in support of the Olmstead Decision.

An employment update was also provided regarding changes to federal guidance related to employment goals for federal contractors hiring individuals with disabilities. Mr. Weller noted that California remains an Employment First state.

Chief People Officer's Recruitment Report – Yeilen Hernandez

Ms. Hernandez provided an update on recruitment and staffing. She reported that SG/PRC currently has 21 vacant positions and a total headcount of 572 employees.

Talesha Payne, Chief Services & Engagement Officer, introduced herself.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be held on October 14, 2026, at 7:15pm.

CLOSED SESSION – Legal/Personnel