



ELARC CONSUMER ADVISORY COMMITTEE NOTES

Date of Meeting: November 3, 2015

In Attendance

CAC Chair: Virgilio Orlina

CAC Vice Chair: Deborah Gallardo

Guests present: Nancy Leiva, Justin Leiva, Patrick Garcia, David Rivas, Amanda Sanchez, Sue Rubin, Margarita Chulde

ELARC Staff: Jesse Padilla, Doris Weis, Gloria Wong, and Blanca Rodriguez

Consumer Advocate Report – Jesse Padilla

- Jesse attended the ARCA CAC in Sacramento and the discussion was focused on the budget. The attendees were split up into two groups to discuss two different topics which were on self-advocacy and legislative activity. There was also some discussion about the Facebook page and new updates.

Budget & Agency Update – Gloria Wong

- Gloria Wong announced the next Self-Determination Local Advisory Committee meeting will be on December 1st at 6pm in the Alhambra Boardroom and are open to the public. At the last meeting, it was agreed that the first part of the meetings will be focused on training and sharing knowledge about Self-Determination to the public. The second part of the meeting will be covering the usual business matters of the committee. ELARC is making efforts to saturate the community with trainings and meetings on the subject. Self-Determination has not been approved by the federal government yet, but the application has been sent.
- Some great news was shared regarding the opening of a brand new affordable housing development called Teague Terrace. It is a special project that was intended to provide 19 affordable units to ELARC consumers which have all been filled. There is currently a waitlist for the 56-unit development.

Housing Rights Presentation

- Marisol Arzate from the Housing Rights Center presented on the topic of fair housing education and rights. . The following is a brief summary of the items that were discussed:
 - Overview of the state and federal fair housing laws
 - Basic landlord-tenant rights and responsibilities
 - Illegal practices
 - Top seven landlord-tenant questions

For a copy of the PowerPoint presentation or for further information please contact Jesse Padilla at jpadilla@elarc.org

Announcements/ Burning Issues

No announcements or burning issues.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be a on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at 4:00pm held in our Alhambra and Whittier via videoconferencing. The topic will be on transportation services.

OTHER ELARC COMMITTEES and UPCOMING MEETINGS

CAC	January 19, 2016	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Video Conference: Both Alhambra and Whittier Boardrooms
Family Information Sessions	April 21, 2016	2pm – 5pm	Video Conference: Both Alhambra and Whittier Boardrooms
ELARC Board	January 12, 2016	6 pm	Alhambra Boardroom
VAC	January 28, 2016	10:00am - 11:30am	Video Conference: Both Alhambra and Whittier Boardrooms

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
SD:	Self-Determination
TASK:	Team of Special Advocates for Kids
VAC:	Vendor Advisory Committee
VLF:	Vendor Leadership Forum