

SAN ANDREAS REGIONAL CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING NOTICE AGENDA

DATE: Monday, June 15, 2026, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Via Zoom Only

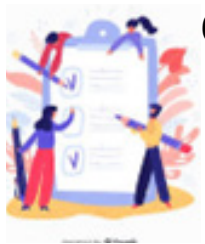
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6:00 - 6:02 p.m. I. Call to Order and Introductions Maya Bareket



6:02 - 6:05 p.m. II. Vision Statement Rajesh Patel



6:05 - 6:07 p.m. III. Approval of Minutes

1. Board Meeting Minutes - 5/18/26
2. Fiscal Committee Meeting - 5/18/26
3. Program Policy Committee - 6/2/26
4. Board Development Meeting - 6/2/26
5. Executive Committee Meeting - 6/2/26
6. Quality Assurance 6/9/26
7. SPAC Minutes - 6/11/26



6:07- 6:20 p.m. IV. State Council on Developmental Disabilities - Central Coast Jennifer Lucas



6:20- 6:30 V. Presidents Report Maya Bareket

1. Self- Advocacy in Action

Note: Time is allowed for public input on all agenda items prior to board action on that item. Time is also allowed for public input on any issue not included on the agenda. [W&I Code 4660 (c)] People wishing to give input need to fill-out the pink sheet and give it to the administrative assistant then they are invited to speak during "Public Comment", During a virtual meeting send a direct message via chat to the Administrative Assistant stating name, and topic of discussion. The Board appreciates and accepts all input without discussion.



6:30 - 6:55 VI. Executive Director's Report Javier Zaldivar
 1. Diversity Outreach Update
 2. Employment Programs Update
 3. Highlights of Performance Contract & NCI



6:55 - 7:15 VII. Director of Consumer Services ReportMike Keeley
 1. New and Closing Programs
 2. Self-Determination Update
 3. Social Recreation Update
 4. Mission Moment



7:15 - 7:40 VIII. Committee Reports
 1. FiscalGus Maldonado
 2. Program PolicyLisa Lopez
Action Item: Recommendation to Adopt the *Appeals Resolution Policy*.
 3. Board DevelopmentPam Kerman
Action Item: Recommendation to approve the election of Ms. Sherrean Carr to her first two year term in the Board.
Action Item: Recommendation to re-elect Mr. Nicolas Santos to his second two-year term in the Board.
 4. Service Provider Advisory Erika Gonzalez
 5. Quality Assurance Advisory Rajesh Patel
 6. People's Advisory Committee Maya Bareket



7:40 - 7:45 IX. Public Comment



7:45 - 7:50 X. Board Comment

7:50 - 8:00 XI. Announcements

- *6/13/26 Superhero Summer Festival – Salinas
- *6/20/26 Crystal Ball Dance
- *6/27/26 Superhero Summer Festival – Santa Cruz
- *7/11/26 Superhero Summer Festival – Hollister
- *7/18/26 African American Conference
- *7/25/26 Superhero Summer Festival/Run – San Jose



8:00 XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION



8:? XIII. Adjournment



**SAN ANDREAS REGIONAL CENTER
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Via Zoom
May 18, 2026**

Presiding: Pamela Kerman Board Vice-President

Board Members Present: Christine Kiebert-Boss Lisa Lopez
Gus Maldonado Alicia Mesa
Nicolas Santos Uma Venkatesh

Board Members Absent: Maya Bareket Christine Gianola
Viviana Barnwell Erika Gonzalez
Rajesh Patel

Staff Present Gabriela Alvarez Rosalina Cone
Alexia Cardoso Karla Cruz
Lauria Furuya Christiana Gardner
Mia Garza Lourdes Gonzalez
Gina Jennings Rae'chel Jensen
Hazel Jordan Angel Johnson
Janet Juarez Mike Keeley
Julie Lussier Monica Martinez
Jamie Nguyen Arushie Nugapitiya
Khan Nye Phien Phan
Maggie Pendl Kim Pierce
Leticia Randazo Andrea Rodriguez
Irene de la Rosa Rommel Sanchez
Liz Schile Francisco Valenzuela
Javier Zaldivar

Community Present: Jaclyn Balanay (DDS) Jenica Hadley
Sherrean Tracey

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Pamela Kerman Board Vice-President called to order the regularly scheduled business meeting of San Andreas Regional Center at 6:01 p.m. Ms. Kerman also called attention to the note on the agenda stating that time is allowed for public input on any issue not included on the agenda (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4660 (c)). Self-introductions were made, and Ms. Uma Venkatesh read the mission statement.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/S/C Moved to approve the March meeting minutes (Venkatesh/Lopez/) No further discussions. All in favor, Motion carries.

1. Board Meeting Minutes – 3/16/26
2. Fiscal Committee Meeting Minutes –3/16/26
3. Program Policy Committee Meeting Minutes – 5/5/26
4. Board Development Committee Meeting Minutes – 5/5/26
5. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes – 5/5/26
6. Service Provider Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – 4/9//26, 5/14/26
7. Quality Assurance Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – 5/12/26

STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES CENTRAL COAST

Ms. Jennifer Lucas General Manager sent a message with these topics:

- Participate in this survey by responding to this short (3 question) anonymous Sexuality Policy Poll: <https://forms.gle/HLPspRWXkMcHYfT M6>.
 - Responses to this survey will help provide SCDD with a better understanding of practices and provider needs relating to this topic. NOTE: this survey does not collect email addresses so if someone would like us to follow up with them, please make sure to include your email address in the last question or reach out directly.
- SCDD's 6th Annual "There Should Be a Law" Contest <https://bit.ly/BillIdeas2026>
- Month long Upcoming panels on the topic of Mental Health and IDD
- SCDD Aaron Carruthers will be providing a legislative and budget update on May 21 at noon hosted by Undivided. Register here: <https://www.undivided.io/event-may-budget-revise-with-aaron-carruthers/>

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Kerman acknowledged that May is Mental Health Awareness Month.

Individuals with developmental disabilities:

- Have a higher rate of experiencing mental health issues and difficulties:
 - More likely to have anxiety and depression
 - More likely to go undiagnosed and untreated

Therefore, it is important to:

- Provide accessibility to individuals with developmental disabilities
- Make it a high priority
- Dismantle the stigma attached to it
- Take care of ourselves

Affordable housing issues:

- The IDD community has a huge issue with homelessness it is clear that mental health and homelessness is tied together.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Francisco Valenzuela thanked those that participated in the Legislative Luncheon on 4/24/26. He shared these upcoming events, which also provide the opportunity to recruit Board members:

- 6/13/26 Superhero Summer Festival – Salinas
- 6/20/26 Crystal Ball Dance
- 6/27/26 Superhero Summer Festival – Santa Cruz
- 7/11/26 Superhero Summer Festival – Hollister
- 7/18/26 African American Conference
- 7/25/26 Superhero Summer Festival/Run – San Jose
- 9/19/26 Spanish Conference
- 10/24/26 Service Above Self Awards Dinner
- 11/12/26 SPAC Vendor Fair
- 11/14/26 Holiday Craft Fair

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Diversity Outreach Update

Ms. Christiana Gardner Diversity and Inclusion (DI) manager gave the report:

- The Diversity report will be submitted to DDS soon, from now on it will be done every two years.
- All parent support groups are currently active and meeting regularly
- Parent Educator and Grant Specialist positions have been filled

SARC continues to host a variety of culturally focused events.

Completed:

- Attended Resource Fair at a high school
- 3/30/26 presented community POS Data Report meetings
- Participated in Pragnya event
- Have completed several POS Data Report meetings with the parent groups
- Attended the PHP and Ability Path's celebration events

Planning:

- Workshop on advocacy with Watsonville group

Active Parent Support Groups:

- Watsonville group
- African American
- Filipino
- Hollister in Spanish
- Salinas in Spanish
- San Jose in Spanish
- Vietnamese

Employment Update

Ms. Rosalina Cone Employment Specialist discussed these topics:

- Current participants at 160 now

- Paid internships (PIPs) POSs will expire at the end of the fiscal year, working with providers to get final hours
- In a meeting with DDS, ARCA and other Employment Specialists found out that SARC's PIPs employment rate is above state average 22-23%, state 112-15%
- Doing HCBS monitoring with the employment vendors.

Events:

- 6/2/26 DDS Employment Workgroup Meeting
- 6/16/26 State Employment Workshop in collaboration with SARC and DOR

Mr. Zaldivar discussed these topics:

Budget Update:

- Revenues up, but federal government putting pressure on state for the long term
- Balanced for this year
- Decrease in Medical
- DDS increased the system's budget for potential growth:
 - Expand inclusive College Technical Assistance
 - Increased rate model for Early Intervention services
 - Increased support for standardized intake process and development of an assessment tool.
 - Increased money for workload on the grievance process
- Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO) perspective:
 - Spending is outgrowing revenues
 - State is vulnerable to volatile market
 - Pulling from state reserves to close MediCal gaps
- ARCA Letter of Support to the Financial Committee:
 - Opposes asset limits for MediCal and IHSS
 - Loss of MediCal and IHSS will make regional centers responsible as payor of last resource.
- Attend the committee hearings and have your voice heard
- The Performance Contract will be presented in June.

DIRECTOR OF CONSUMER SERVICES REPORT:

Mr. Keeley gave the following updates:

Self-Determination (SD) Update:

- The program continues to grow steadily = 448
- SARC has a Self-Determination unit that is very successful
 - Average age is 20
 - Most common ethnicities are Caucasian and Chinese
 - Most common language is English
- The committee is doing outreach by holding monthly luncheons for the community so they can learn about SD

Social Recreation

- Remains a priority for SARC
- Continue to fund activities for individuals
- Continue working on a clear policy that is cost effective to monitors socialization.

NEW AND CLOSING PROGRAMS

Ms. Mia Garza Community Resource Associate Director gave the report:

New programs: 9 total new programs vendedored in the month of April

- Supported Living Services
- 2 Residential facilities
- 2 Behavioral Analyst
- Personal Assistance
- Early Start therapeutic services
- Art Therapist
- Sports club

Closed program: 26 total closed vendors

- 6 vendors
- 20 vendors closed due to lack of use in over 24 months

New programs: 10 total new programs vendedored in the month of March

- 3 Supported Living Services
- 2 Residential facilities
- Personal Assistance
- Infant Development
- Art Instructor
- Adaptive Skills
- In-Home Respite

Closed program: 18 total closed vendors

- 5 vendors
- 37 vendors closed due to lack of use in over 24 months

Mission Moment

Mr. Keeley shared that an individual served was in a plane acting upset, but thankfully a SARC staff member was on the plane as well and he helped the individual calm down and reach their destination without incident.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FISCAL

Fiscal Packet:

1. Purchase of Services (Non-CPP only)

Purchase of Service expenses for the month of March were \$76.8M, bringing the year-to-date expenses to \$736.5M. The current allocation is \$1.04B.

2. Individuals Served

The number of individuals served as of March 2026 was 21,908. This is an increase of 1,190 individuals since March 2025.

3. Operations (OPS)

Operation expenses for the month of April were \$6.2M, bringing year to date expenses to \$59.6M. The fiscal year allocation is \$73.3M, with expenses projected at \$73.2M. This results in an estimated surplus of approximately \$104K.

4. Cash Position

The cash position through the end of April was \$194.7M, a decrease of \$11.8M since March.

5. Donation Fund

The balance in the Donation Fund at the end of April was \$487,921, an increase of \$1,238 from March. The change reflects interest income, donations, and disbursements during the month

Contracts approved:

The Board approved 11 contracts:

- 1. M/S/C Moved to approve the Dreams Transportation Services, LLC. transportation contract; for FY 2026-2027, 2027-2028,2028-2029 totaling \$5,308,104.00 (Lopez/Bareket) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.**
- 2. M/S/C Moved to approve the Kaylyn LLC Creative Mind Day Program transportation contract; for FY 2026-2027, totaling \$252,402.00 (Lopez/Bareket) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.**
- 3. M/S/C Moved to approve the Moving Forward transportation contract; for FY 2026-2027, 2027-2028,2028-2029 totaling \$605,764.80 (Mesa/Lopez) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries**
- 4. M/S/C Moved to approve the Multiple Intelligence Training Center transportation contract; for FY 2026-2027, totaling \$1,055,672.40 (Lopez/Santos) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.**
- 5. M/S/C Moved to approve the Spread Your Wings transportation contract; for FY 2026-2027, totaling \$550,868.40 (Mesa/Lopez) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.**
- 6. M/S/C Moved to approve the SR Rockwell Incorporated Achieve Adult Day Program transportation contract; for FY 2026-2027, totaling \$973,645.20 (Kerman/Santos) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.**

7. **M/S/C Moved to approve the Summit Therapeutic Services, Inc. transportation contract; for FY 2026-2027, 2027-2028,2028-2029 totaling \$2,245,834.08 (Kerman/Santos) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.**
8. **M/S/C Moved to approve the Tupaz Day Care Services, Inc. (Great Endeavors Bascom & Union) transportation contract; for FY 2026-2027, totaling \$1,109,768.40 (Vekantesh/Lopez) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.**
9. **M/S/C Moved to approve the First Transit transportation contract; for FY 2026-2027, 2027-2028,2028-2029 totaling \$13,850,000.00 (Mesa/Lopez) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.**
10. **M/S/C Moved to approve the Salinas Yellow Cab Company transportation contract; for FY 2026-2027, 2027-2028,2028-2029 totaling \$11,266,779.00 (Kerman/Mesa) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.**
11. **M/S/C Moved to recommend to the full Board approval of the Stars Bay Area, Inc. assessment contract; for FY 2026-2027, totaling \$4,842,837.25 (Mesa/Lopez) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.**

PROGRAM POLICY COMMITTEE

- One policy was adopted.

M/S/C Moved to adopt the *Role of San Andreas Regional Center in Securing Services for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities.* (Maldonado/Kerman) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.

BOARD DEVELOPMENT

- The committee recommended Ms. Kiebert-Boss to Board of Directors.

M/S/C Moved to elect Ms. Christine Kiebert Boss to her first two-year term in the Board of Directors (Mesa/Santos) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.

SERVICE PROVIDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SPAC)

- Mr. Nichols and Ms. Yant were voted into SPAC.

M/S/C Moved to elect Mr. Mike Nichols to his first two-year term in SPAC. (Lopez/Santos) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.

M/S/C Moved to elect Ms. Allison Yant to her first two-year term in SPAC. (Maldonado/Lopez) No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carries.

QUALITY ASSURANCE COMMITTEE

- Minutes are in the packet.

PEOPLE'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)

- None

ARCA

- Ms. Lopez shared that ARCA reviewed the May Revise which Mr. Zaldivar discussed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- None

BOARD COMMENT

- None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Recording Secretary, Ms. Lourdes Gonzalez

Submitted by,

Ms. Lisa Lopez