



# ELARC CONSUMER ADVISORY CONGRESS NOTES

**Date of Meeting: July 15th, 2025**

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## In Attendance

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*The CAC will be held hybrid in person and virtually via Zoom*

**Members Present:** 21 (In Person or virtually by Zoom Marisol Guerrero (President), Michael Young, Suzanne Gallego, Jose Ceballos, I. Hernandez Marisa Diaz, Maribel Sedano, Jenny Rojo, Eden Diaz, America Carrera,, Alberto Gonzalez, Kenny Tran, Alex Phuong, Jesse Padilla, Yvette Renteria, Sephora Gonzalez, Maria Lopez, Theresa Seracho,, Kevin Quiarate, Christian Tresieras, Federico Tresieras.

**Guests:** Desiree Boykin Eva Tresieras.

**Guest Speakers:** George De La Loza ELARC

**ELARC Staff:** Patrick Schattilly, Ernesto Jauregui, Katia Ayon Liz Rodgers Natalia Magana

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## Welcome/Opening

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- President called the meeting to order at 1:15pm, and invited everyone to introduce themselves. The question was what your Summer Plans .
- The Consumer Advocate. Patrick Schattilly provided a reading of the CAC Mission Statement.
- President Marisol Guerrero provided a reading of the ground rules and facilitation statement.
- The CAC minutes for May 2025 were passed using the Majority of members' present. M /M. Guerrero/ /S J. Rojo /C Unanimous
  
- Employment Presented by George De La Loza ELARC  
George spoke about:
  1. The importance of employment
  2. How ELARC helps you with employment goals
  3. Various pathways to work PIP CIE Micro Enterprise etc

## Additional Questions: Announcements/Burning Issues

1. George answered questions about working and keeping SSI and overcoming barriers to work like transportation.
2. The CAC voted to approve the new Bylaws M/ J. Rojo/S M.Sedano/C Unanimous
3. CAC officers were sworn in Marisol Guerrero President, Danique Rousseve Vice President, Speaker of the House Consumer Advocate Patrick Schattilly (interim).
4. A special election will be held at our January 2026 CAC meeting. for Speaker of the House

Next CAC meeting will be September 16th 20th 2025, from 1-3pm the meeting will be hybrid on Zoom and in person the topic will be Understanding Regional Center presented by Patrick Schattilly ELARC Consumer Advocate

Meeting Adjourned at 3:30pm

### **OTHER ELARC COMMITTEES and UPCOMING MEETINGS**

|                                                       |                                   |                  |         |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------|
| Consumer Advisory Committee                           | September 16th, 2025              | 1:00pm-3:00pm    | By Zoom |
| ELARC Board                                           | September 10th, 2025              | 6:00 pm- 8:00pm  | By Zoom |
| Vendor Advisory Committee                             | July 24th, 2025                   | 10:00am-11:30am  | By Zoom |
| Self Determination Local Volunteer Advisory Committee | September 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2025 | 6:00 pm- 8:00 pm | By Zoom |

### **GLOSSARY OF ABBREVIATIONS**

|        |                                                                                  |
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| 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