

**ALA
PLANNING & NETWORK ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
February 7, 2012**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Irma Canfield, Chair
Mary Hanlon-Hillis, Vice Chair
John Evans, Parliamentarian
Cara Magrane, Community Member
Debbie Valdez, Family Member
Sandra Irachetz-Cruz, Community Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Nana Knowles, Family Member
Jackie Cooper, Family Member
Larry Rodriguez, Community Member
Pam Stephens, Community Member
Martha Moyer, Family Member
Becky Tarwater, Community Member

STAFF PRESENT

Anthony Jalomo, ALA Director
Virginia Charles, Services Manager - GR
Brian Lopez, Client Rights Officer
Lona Carter, Services Manager - HCS
Sara Sobieski, Services Manager - HCS
Teresa S. Kolenda, Administrative Assistant

Guest Present

Tony Ritter
Patricia Ritter

1. Ms. Canfield called the meeting to order at 1:12 p.m.
2. Roll Call by Ms. Kolenda.
3. No citizens to be heard.
4. Ms. Baggett was acknowledged by Mr. Jalomo for her years of service with ALA. Ms. Baggett was unable to attend due to unforeseen family matter.
5. Consider and Approval of minutes from November 8, 2012:
 - A motion was made by Mr. Evans to accept the minutes; seconded by Ms. Magrane; the motion carried unanimously.
6. The PNAC Bylaws were reviewed in the matter of Chair and Vice Chair offices and consider and act upon membership term limits:
 - A recommendation made by Ms. Magrane to keep current Chair and Vice-Chair members, seconded by Ms. Valdez, the motion carried unanimously.
 - A motion was made by Ms. Valdez to accept corresponding with Ms. Knowles and Ms. Moyer, seconded by Mr. Evans; the motion carried unanimously.
 - A motion was made by Ms. Valdez to extend the members term limits, seconded by Ms. Hanlon-Hillis; the motion carried unanimously.
 - A motion was made by Mr. Evans to accept and make recommendation for Ms. Tarr's application to the board of directors, seconded by Ms. Valdez; the motion carried unanimously.
7. Presentation of Level of Need (LON) What is it...And Why Do I Need it? By Ms. Patty and Mr. Tony Ritter of Advantage Care:
 - How level of need is established

- LON is designed to assist DADS to determine the level of functioning and supports needed for individuals being serviced in IDD Waiver Programs
 - Any increase to the LON must be resubmitted (packet and 3 months of data documentation) to DADS.
 - The documentation must include functional and behavioral data in PDPs/ICAPs.
 - As of January 2012 DADS announced an expanded UR process that will include DADS field staff will conduct face-to-face visits to providers/families.
 - DADS implemented cost containment measures as mandated by TX legislation in the form of new service limits for selected HCS program services on 12/1/11.
8. Consider and act upon approval of ALA Local Plan updates:
- A motion was made by Mr. Evans to accept the updates to ALA Local Plan, seconded by Ms. Valdez; the motion carried unanimously.
9. Presentation of Overview General Revenue Program, HCS Program, Intake and Eligibility Program and ALA Budget; consider and act upon Network Provider Rates FY12:
- A motion was made by Mr. Evans to increase Network Provider Rates, seconded by Ms. Valdez; the motion carried unanimously.
10. Consider and act upon PNAC Training date:
- A motion was made by Mr. Evans to provide all day training for PNAC members, seconded by Ms. Iracheta-Cruz; the motion carried unanimously.
11. Community Events discussed:
- San Antonio: T.A.A.I.D. Adult Support Group Meeting, February 18 at Any Baby Can Meeting room, 2:00pm -4:00 pm
 - TAPPetry conference is on February 25th, 2012.
 - Free Parent Training at ESC-20 - February 8 - Transfer of Educational Rights and Guardianship; February 14 - Understanding the STAAR Accommodations.
 - Summer Resource Fair for Children and Adults with Special Needs at The ARC of San Antonio - February 11, 2012, 10:00 am - Noon
12. Ms. Canfield announced the next meeting on 8 May, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. A motion to adjourn made by Ms. Magrane; seconded by Ms. Iracheta-Cruz ; the motion carried unanimously.