

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
COMMISSION ON ALCOHOL AND
OTHER DRUGS
(CAOD)**

Meeting Summary – February 8, 2023

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Tony Bell, Rebecca Birotte, Amanda Cowan, Deena Duncan, Jeremiah Hart, Lou La Monte, Mark Mendoza, Tonya McKenzie, Dean Nakanishi, Juan Navarro, Sharona R. Nazarian, Mark Ryan, Johng Ho Song, Jerry G. Velasco, Howard Winkler and G. Lola Worthington

EXCUSED ABSENCES: Commissioners Bruce Boardman, Alicia Garoupa, Sharona R. Nazarian, and Wendie Warwick

GUEST REGISTER: Patrick Gauthier

MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED: Commission on Alcohol and Other Drugs February 2023 Agenda; Commission on Alcohol and Other Drugs January 2023 Minutes – Draft; CAOD Handout - 2022 Strategic Priorities; CAOD Handout - Brown Act Teleconferencing Training 01.26.23; CAOD Handout - Nominating Committee Report for 2023

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1. Call to Order & Introduction of Commissioners and Guests	<p>First Chair Deena Duncan, County of Los Angeles, the Commission on Alcohol and Other Drugs (CAOD) convened the meeting at 1:05 p.m.</p> <p>Chair Deena Duncan asked for self-introductions from all Commissioners and guest.</p> <p>Quorum present.</p>
2. Public Comments	<p>Patrick Gauthier from Advocates for Human Potential discussed the BHCIP funding from the state for behavioral health, SAPC infrastructure. He discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investment by organization • Added capacity • Expanded access to Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment • Expanded access to Mental Health (MH) treatment • Community Wellness Centers
3. Motion to Excuse Absences	<p>Commissioners Bruce Boardman, Alicia Garoupa, and Wendie Warwick have asked to be excused from today’s meeting.</p> <p>Chair Deena Duncan entertained a motion which was moved to approve by Chair Deena Duncan seconded by Commissioner Sharona R. Nazarian. Motion was unanimously carried.</p>

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4. Approval of Minutes	Chair Deena Duncan entertained a motion which was moved to approve by Commissioner Sharona R. Nazarian seconded by Commissioner Tony Bell. Motion carried with four (4) Abstentions from Commissioner Amanda Cowan, Lou La Monte, Mark Mendoza, and Tonya McKenzie.
5. Action on 2023 Nominations	<p>The 2023 Nomination Slate is as follows:</p> <p>Nominees for Chair: Deena Duncan Nominees for 1st Vice Chair: Mark Ryan Nominees for 2nd Vice Chair: Tony Bell Nominees for Recording Secretary: Johng Ho Song Nominees for At Large Seat 1: Tonya McKenzie Nominees for At Large Seat 2: Jack Hadjinian Nominees for Education & Prevention Chair: Mark Ryan Nominees for Policy & Planning Chair: Deena Duncan</p> <p>Chair Deena Duncan entertained a motion which was moved to approve by Com. Lou La Monte seconded by Com. Sharona R. Nazarian. Motion was unanimously carried.</p>
6. Formation and Action on Ad Hoc Committee	<p>Chair Deena Duncan formed an Ad Hoc Committee that can meet from March – December to assist with meeting agendas, upcoming speakers and commission strategic priorities. The Ad hoc committee will consist of Commissioners Tony Bell, Deena Duncan, Jack Hadjinian, Tonya McKenzie, Mark Ryan, and Johng Ho Song.</p> <p>Chair Deena Duncan entertained a motion which was moved to approve by Com. Lou La Monte seconded by Com. Mark Ryan. Motion was unanimously carried.</p>
7. Report from Substance Abuse Prevention and Control (SAPC) on treatment and prevention programs and initiatives	<p>Michelle Gibson, MPH, Deputy Division Director for Treatment Services of Substance Abuse Prevention and Control (SAPC) spoke on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crisis level of care applications • Payment reform
8. Presentation and Discussion Concerning Return to In-Person Meetings	<p>Commission Liaison Ronae Harrison gave a presentation on the return to in-person meetings. She discussed the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person Meetings will resume March 2023 • Brown Act teleconferencing rules will resume <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Quorum of legislative body must participate from meeting location and those appearing remotely must be within the local agency’s jurisdiction ○ An agenda must be posted at each location ○ Each location must be fully accessible to the public and ADA-

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	<p>compliant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Commissioners may also reserve a conference room a select libraries through the commission liaison • New Teleconferencing Law AB 2449 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Commissioners are allowed to teleconference 2 times per calendar year for “Just Cause” (childcare or caregiving, contagious illness, physical or mental disability) ○ Commissioners are allowed to teleconference 2 times per calendar year for “Emergency Circumstances” (physical or family medical emergency). However, it must be approved by legislative body. ○ A member cannot appear remotely using “just cause” or “emergency circumstances” for more than three consecutive months, or for 20% regular meetings in a calendar year. • Meeting will continue to allow online participation via Teams <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Commission members appearing remotely must disclose if any person over the age of 18 is present.
9. Discussion Concerning the Commissions 2023 Strategic Priorities	The Commissioner reviewed the 2022 Commissions Strategic Priorities and were advised to send any suggestions for the 2023 Strategic Priorities to the commission liaison.
10. Commission Committees Report	<p>Chair Deena Duncan informed the Commission on legislation discussed in Policy and Planning meeting.</p> <p>Beth Weinstock from Birdielight gave a presentation to The Education and Prevention Committee.</p>
11. Chairs Report	Chair Duncan had no updates for the Commission.
12. Comments from Commissioners on Items of Interest	No comments from commissioners.
13. Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 2:23 p.m.

Next meeting date:

March 8, 2023, at 1:00 p.m.

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