

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
COMMISSION ON ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS**

**Meeting Minute Summary
June 11, 2025**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Commissioners Ana Maria Quintana, Bruce Boardman, Charles Robbins, Deena Duncan, Jake Fisher, Jack Hadjinian, Jerry Velasco, Johng Ho Song, Juan Navarro, Rebecca Birotte, Ruben Rodriguez, Tony Bell, Tonya McKenzie, Mark Mendoza Jr, Christina Gonzales and Alicia Garoupa

COMMISSIONERS REQUESTING EXCUSED ABSENCES: Commissioner Amanda Cowan and Howard Winkler
UNEXCUSED ABSENCES: Commissioners Avia Rosen

GUEST REGISTER: N/A

MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED: Commission on Alcohol and Other Drugs June 11, 2025 Agenda; Commission on Alcohol and Other Drugs May Meeting Summary – Draft; 2025 Strategic Priorities -Draft.

Topic	Discussion/Finding
1. Call to Order & Introduction of Commissioners and Guests	Chair Tonya McKenzie, County of Los Angeles, the Commission on Alcohol and Other Drugs convened the meeting at 1:14 P.M. Chair Tonya McKenzie asked for self-introductions from all Commissioners and guests. Quorum not present.
2. Public Comments	No Public Comment
3. Report from SAPC	Michelle Gibson, Deputy Director, SAPC discussed: Updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Impact of budget decisions at the federal level on the county.• Medicaid/Medi-Cal Watch• Behavioral Health Services Act Next month: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation on Harm Reduction and Medications for Addiction Treatment Services
4. Action on AB2449 and Excuse Absence	Commissioners Amanda Cowan and Howard Winkler have asked to be excused from today's meeting. Quorum not met. Item tabled. Commissioner Charles Robbins, Deena Duncan, Alicia Garoupa, Christina Gonzales, Juan Navarro, Mark Mendoza and Ana Maria Quintana is appearing remotely in accordance to AB2449 "emergency circumstances" for today's meeting.

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	Quorum not met. Item tabled.
5. Action on Meeting Minutes for April 9, 2025 meeting	Quorum not met. Item tabled.
6. Action on 2025 Strategic Planning	Quorum not met. Item tabled.
7. New Commissioner Orientation	<p>Training Led by Diana Carranza and Ronae Harrison Discussed the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information about the Commissioner • Commissioners Duties and Responsibilities • Mandatory Trainings for Commissioners • Attendance and Quorum • Teleconferencing • Subsidiary Bodies • Election of Officers • Resignation and Vacancies in Office • Recommendations for County Advocacy Positions • The Ralph M Brown Act, Robert's Rules & Other Laws • Public's Rights • Overview of SAPC • Ethical & Legal Reminder • Helpful Links
8. Chair's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Announced the departure of the following Commissioners: Ben Root, G. Lola Worthington, and Jozef Essavi • Welcomed new Commissioner: Jake Fisher from the Countywide Criminal Justice Coordination Committee (CCJCC) • Education and Prevention Subcommittee meeting will meet on July 9, 2025 at 12:30 pm
9. Comments from Commissioners on Items of Interest	<p>Discussion on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request for Ad-Hoc Meeting • Request for Commissioner Fisher to lead a discussion on effective strategies the Commission can use to engage with schools, superintendents, and school staff.
10. Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 2:38 P.M.

Next meeting date:
 July 9, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.
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