



**REGIONAL ACCESS PROJECT FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
BOARD MEETING  
APPROVED MINUTES**

**May 25, 2022 9:00 AM**

- I. CALL TO ORDER by Board Chair J. Pye at 9:01-** Roll Call: *J. Pye, M. Blue, C. Borba, C. Galvez, M. Gialdini, M. Gonda, J. Hayes, B. Kroonen, M. Moran, T. St.Johns, V. Tanner, A. Wilson, P. Cooper. R. Gutierrez joined at 9:07 and E. Romero joined at 9:40.*  
*Absent: B. Gonzalez, A. Martinez, K. Quintanilla, and R. Ortega.*  
*Also present: N. Duffy, S. Minor, M. Reyes, G. Montano.*

**II. Approval of the AGENDA**

In order to meet Brown Act requirements, items may be added to the agenda only upon decision by a majority of the Board of Directors to add the item because of a need for immediate action.

Motion:	<i>To approve the agenda as is.</i>			
Motion By:	Second By:	# Approve:	# Oppose:	Abstention (Name):
<i>C. Borba</i>	<i>B. Kroonen</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
Conditional Approval:				

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT / PRESENTATIONS**

*None*

**IV. CONSENT ITEMS: Action Required**

- A. Draft Minutes of Board Meeting on April 27, 2022 (**Attach. #1**)
- B. NPO Centric DIRECTOR REPORT (**Attach. #2**) Receive and file.
- C. CEO's REPORT (**Attach. #3**) – Receive and file.
- D. GRANT/ FINANCE DIRECTOR's REPORT(**Attach. #4**) – Receive and file.
- E. RESOLUTION 2022.10 (**Attach. #5**)

In order to continue to have the flexibility to hold remote public meetings, AB 361 requires the public agency's Board of Directors to pass a resolution re-ratifying the state of emergency and reauthorizing remote teleconference meetings on a monthly basis.

*Staff Recommendation:* To receive and file the April 27, 2022 BOD Minutes, NPO Centric Report, CEO Report, Finance - Grants Director Report and Resolution 2022.10.

Motion:	<i>To Approve the Staff Recommendation. To acknowledge an error in the CEO Report, M. Blue also joined J. Pye and L. De Lara at the event recognizing B. Gonzalez.</i>			
Motion By:	Second By:	# Approve:	# Oppose:	Abstention (Name):
<i>M. Moran</i>	<i>B. Kroonen</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
Conditional Approval:				

**V. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS – Action Required**

- A. Financials for April 30, 2022 (**Attach.#6**) The month ending April 30, 2022 Financials were reviewed by the Finance Committee. At the request of the Board Chair, the Financials will be separate from the

Consent Items on a Quarterly basis to allow for more time to be spent on this item in order to ensure Board Members have adequate time to ask questions.

*Finance Committee Recommendation:* For the Board to approve the Financials ending April 30, 2022.

Motion:	<b>To approve the Finance Committee Recommendation.</b>			
Motion By:	Second By:	# Approve:	# Oppose:	Abstention (Name):
<b>B. Kroonen</b>	<b>C. Borba</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Conditional Approval:</b>	<b>None. However, J. Hayes asked if it is possible in the future to have a budget comparison. M. Gonda stated that a budget –actual reporting will be done in the future.</b>			

- B. The Form 990. Marynov Madsen Gordon & Campbell completed the Form 990 on May 12 and there was a Joint Audit-Executive Committee meet held on May 13. The Audit Committee recommended that the Executive Committee accept the report (**Attach. #7**).

The Executive Committee accepted the Form 990 and authorized the CEO to sign and submit prior to May 16 deadline. Also, to include in the May 27 Board meeting for ratification. The Report was submitted on May 16 to comply with regulations.

*Executive Committee Recommendation:* For the Board to ratify the Form 990.

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>To approve the Executive Committee Recommendation.</b>			
<b>Motion By:</b>	<b>Second By:</b>	<b># Approve:</b>	<b># Oppose:</b>	<b>Abstention (Name):</b>
<b>B. Kroonen</b>	<b>C. Borba</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Conditional Approval:				

- C. Review YTD Grants Tracker (**Attach. #8**)

- D. GRANT REQUESTS -Action Required

1. The January 2022 Health-Mental Health Initiative for a total of \$600,000 (including the Desert Health Care District’s \$300,000 contribution) funded 12 organizations in March 2022 for a total of \$520,000. There is a balance of \$80,000 left to distribute.

The Inland SoCal Crisis and Suicide Helpline was not considered due to a low rating. They were given an opportunity to address issues and resubmitted their application.

Organization:	Inland Southern California 211+
Program:	<i>Inland SoCal Crisis and Suicide Helpline</i>
Requested Amount:	\$25,000
	The project helps combat a regional result of mental health and non-suicide in ERC by providing a Crisis & Suicide Helpline for all-ages that is 24/7 with bilingual crisis counselors. Activities are an awareness campaign, new partnerships, and certified training for providers. Inland SoCal 211+ (ISC211) is a subsidiary of Inland Southern California United Way which also directs Coachella Valley's UW of the Desert. ISC211’s mission is to unite people, ideas, and resources to empower our community and improve lives serving 460k+ families. The Crisis and Suicide Helpline serves 4,100 people. 58% are BIPOC. 16% age 25 or younger. 57% age 26-59. 27% age 60+. Certified mental health training includes ASIST, Know the Signs, safeTALK, and Mental Health First Aid.
Representative:	Alisa Lemke

Reviewer's Average Score:	71%
Prior RAP Funding:	None

Grants Committee Recommendation: To approve the Inland SoCal Crisis and Suicide Helpline for \$25,000.

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>To approve the Grants Committee Recommendation.</b>			
<b>Motion By:</b>				
<b>C. Borba</b>	<b>J. Hayes</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Conditional Approval:</b>	<b>To serve the Blythe communities.</b>			

## 2. Small Grant Request.

Organization:	Palms to Pines Parasports
Program:	Leveling the Playing Field Through Adapted Sport Opportunities
Requested Amount:	\$5,000
	We partner with Friends of the Desert Mountains and DRD Adaptive in offering a Saturday hiking program. This month we have two opportunities-Ernie Maxwell Trail near Idyllwild and Covered Wagon hike, potluck and barn dance. We will continue our hiking program during the summer and throughout the year. The majority of hikes take place in the Coachella Valley. Through a grant from the Reeve Foundation we recently purchased a hiking chair which will enable people with physical disability to participate. We want to grow this program. We collaborate with DRD Adaptive in basketball-both wheelchair and standing, tennis and online meditation/yoga/breathing. As we obtain further grants and revenues we will partner on other programs including pickle ball, archery and other adapted sports. Given that the Firebirds are operating in the Coachella Valley in the longer term we want to develop sled, special needs and other hockey.
Representative:	Michael Rosenkrantz
Reviewer's Average Scores:	71%
Prior RAP Funding:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$10,000 - 2021 H/MH Initiative 3/21;</li> <li>\$2,500 - Adaptive Sports Day 2022 Sponsorship – Feb.</li> </ul>

Grants Committee Recommendation: To approve the Palms to Pines Small Grant Request for \$5000 with the condition that an annual membership be purchased from NPOC and paid out of the \$5000 request (\$745.20).

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>To approve the Grants Committee Recommendation.</b>			
<b>Motion By:</b>	<b>Second By:</b>	<b># Approve:</b>	<b># Oppose:</b>	<b>Abstention (Name):</b>
<b>C. Borba</b>	<b>M. Gialdini</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>R. Gutierrez, M. Gonda</b>
<b>Conditional Approval:</b>	<b>Stipulation that they participate in relevant NPOC training (to be monitored by RAP)</b>			

- E. Stephanie Minor will give a brief presentation of NPOC activities  
 2022 Desert Fast Pitch update  
 NPOC Activities

**Presentation delivered.**

- F. Funding Priorities (**Attach. #9**) The Funding Priorities is used to allocate funding to grants. Whereas, in previous years, the Executive Committee reviewed it only before it being presented to the Board, this year the Grants and Executive Committees reviewed and provided input for consideration.

*The Grants Committee Recommendation:* To approve the Funding Priorities in addition to making the following changes:

- a. Raise Small Grants from \$5,000 to “up to” \$10,000
- b. Raise Sponsorships from \$2500 to “up to” \$5000
- c. Raise SIA Award allocations for designated recipients from \$500 to \$1000

*Executive Committee Recommendation:* To approve the Funding Priority categories. There was acknowledgement that the amounts may change depend after the Finance Committee provides input on the proposed budget for FY 2022-23. However, this input is needed for staff to propose a budget for consideration. There was agreement that the categories and reasoning for funding distribution is good but the amounts for Health/Mental Health and Juvenile Intervention may change.

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>To approve the Grants Committee and Executive Committee Recommendations.</b>			
<b>Motion By:</b>	<b>Second By:</b>	<b># Approve:</b>	<b># Oppose:</b>	<b>Abstention (Name):</b>
<b>J. Hayes</b>	<b>M. Moran</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Conditional Approval:</b>	<b>None</b>			

- G. Strategic Plan updates – The 2022 Strategic Plan includes Action Items assigned to respective Committees. Each committee is reviewing the document in their meetings to ensure progress is being made or to address issues that need attention either by their Committee or by the Board. At this time the Grants and Governance Committee are presenting their updates and Recommendations.

*Grants Committee Recommendation:* To change 2.2 “local government” to “local County government”. (**Attach. #10**)

*Governance Committee Recommendation:* To accept the changes to 1.3 (**Attach #11**) Here’s the list of current core value statements.

- Be Sensitive to the Unique Cultural and Demographic Identity of Eastern Riverside County Communities
- Operate with Competence, Integrity, Professionalism, and Excellence
- Encourage and **-(Add)** Develop Services that are Innovative, Adaptable, and Impactful
- Ensure all Services are Collaborative, Supportive, and Inclusive
- Demonstrate our Commitment to Responsibility, Accountability, Transparency, Good Governance, and Good Management

<b>Motion:</b>	<b>To approve the Governance Committee Recommendation.</b>			
<b>Motion By:</b>				
<b>B. Kroonen</b>	<b>C. Borba</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Conditional Approval:</b>	<b>0</b>			

- H. Presentation of The James Irvine Foundation Immigrant Rights Final Report - Gracie Montano **Presentation delivered.**

**VI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS- No Action**

- a. BOARD ATTENDANCE for 2022 (**Attach. #12**)
- b. EXECUTIVE–Met May 16. April 18Minutes (**Attach. #13**). Next meeting June 13.

- c. GRANTS –Met May 16. April 11 Minutes attached (Attach. #14). Next meeting June 13.
- d. NPO Centric –May 18 meeting cancelled. Next Meeting June 15.
- e. FACILITIES- April 27 meeting is cancelled due to lack of agenda items. Next meeting May 25.
- f. GOVERNANCE – Met May 17. Approved Minutes Feb. 15 (Attach. #15). Next meeting TBD.
- g. AUDIT – Met May 13. Feb. 3 Minutes (Attach. #16). Next meeting in September.
- h. FINANCE & INVESTMENT –Met on April 18. February 14 Minutes (Attach. #17). Next meeting is set for June 13.
- i. NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE– Next meeting TBD.

**VII. BOARD MEMBER / STAFF COMMENTS**

- RAP is partnering with Supervisor Perez to host a Blythe Behavioral Health Meeting on May 31.

*P. Cooper mentioned about recent changes to the delivery of Mental Health services in Blythe. Also, that there was a recent fire in Blythe, that damaged the Ashley Furniture Store, the SEARS and a Church. Arson is suspected and the act has negatively impacted the community.*

*J. Pye mentioned that since L. De Lara and J. Pye participated in the Annenberg Alchemy and completed the series of topics, there will be a new agenda item in the future named “Board Development” to incorporate some of these topics.*

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT:** *at 9:58* Next meeting is June 22, 2022 at 9:00 AM.