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## **Grants Review Committee Meeting**

**Monday, July 27, 2020**

**1:30 PM – 3:00 PM**

**Zoom Meeting**

Join Zoom Meeting

**This meeting is being conducted utilizing teleconferencing and electronic means only. There will not be a physical location.**

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**Meeting Minutes**

I. **Call To Order** at 1:39 PM by Chairman Craig Borba

*Roll Call:*

*Craig Borba, Chairman*

*Mike Gialdini, Board*

*Rosemary Ortega, Board*

*Ann Dew, Emeritus*

*Aurora Wilson, Board*

*Tricia Gehrlein, Community Member*

*Maria Blue, Board*

*Leticia De Lara, CEO*

*Van Tanner, Board*

*Karina Rios, Staff*

*Eva Guenther-James, Staff*

*Absent:*

*Stephanie Minor, Staff*

- II. **Public Comment:** Any individual wishing to comment on the agenda or an item not on the agenda may do so by mailing [krios@rapfoundation.org](mailto:krios@rapfoundation.org) or by calling in at the number above. All emailed comments must be received prior to the 1:30 PM start time. Persons wishing to speak are requested to be recognized at the appropriate time. General comments regarding non-agenda items will be called for at this time. Specific comments regarding agenda items will be called for during discussion of each item. Please be prepared to limit your **Public Comment remarks to three (3) minutes.**

*No public.*

III. **Approval of July 13, 2020 Meeting Minutes** **Action Required**

(Attach #1)

Accept and file Grants Review Committee July 13, 2020 meeting

Motion: V Tanner Second: M Blue Approve: 5 Oppose: 0 Abstention  
Names: 0

#### IV. Funding Request

#### Action Required

(Attach. #2a, 2b, 2c, 2d, 2e, 2f)

The James Irvine Foundation Regranting Funds RFP 2020.1  
Organization: **Riverside County Latino Commission (RCLC)**  
Program: **Community Mental Health Direct Enrichment Program**  
Request: **\$50,000**  
Center for Nonprofit Advancement member: No  
Addressing Category B of RFP Behavioral Health Direct Services  
Reviewers Rating: **71%** Recommendation: **Recommend to fund.**

**Summary:** “The mission of RCLC is to provide programs and services for those in our community who are facing problems with mental health issues and/or problems with substance use. RCLC sees itself as an extension of its community and have been dedicated to developing access, prevention, and treatment for individuals and families suffering from mental health issues and/or substance abuse”.

A minimum of 625 sessions to be provided with an average anticipated of 4-6 sessions per child and/or family.

Representatives: **Leonel Contreras, CEO and Justina Larson,**  
**Coordinator of Mental Health Services**  
Time Slot: **1:45 PM to 2:05 PM**

Representative Justina Larson only for the interview.

*Prior to interview, Karina gave a brief summary of the Reviewers concerns, which were mostly addressed in the responses to questions which had been sent to Justina Larson. Reviewer concerns included assessment tools used, follow up, referral process and trauma expertise.*

*During interview, Justina discussed that the mental health services would be added to the existing school based program through Coachella Valley Unified School District. A flow chart shows the outside referral process. RCLC uses a prevention based movement, social-emotional model not a medical model. The training that Justina provides to interns is evidence based. RCLC looks at the whole child, person or family and provides additional resources needed. Because the population served is a high percentage of immigrants, many services and resources are needed aside from therapeutic services. At a cost of \$55/session, between 800-900 sessions estimated can be provided.*

*Average number of sessions are 6-10 per person.*

*Recommendation: Recommend to approve funding at \$50,000*

*Motion: R Ortega Second T Gehrlein Approval: 8 Oppose: 0 Abstention  
Names: 0*

## **V. Center for Nonprofit Advancement Membership for Applicants**

### **Action Required.**

Discuss if applicants should be required to become CNA members if approved for funding by the Board and how cost of membership should be supported if applicants state inability to pay. Provide recommendation.

*Recommendation: Table item to third quarter at a meeting in Spring, either April or May to revisit and have Stephanie Minor present for discussion.*

*Motion: V Tanner Second: M Blue Approve: 8 Oppose: 0 Abstention  
Names: 0*

*There were a number of questions by committee members. Some questions and concerns were such as how can a membership be enforced, would membership be for one year only, membership can be required for funding but it may be that the grantee does not take advantage of the various training and educational opportunities, how to determine if grantee is making the effort to use the new tools they have acquired, is membership a requirement of all funding opportunities, what would be the perception if an applicant would be required to become a member if funded.*

*Regarding payment for a membership, a consideration was ability to pay cost of a membership could be determined by size of organization's budget.*

## **VI. Announcements**

Lety mentioned that she spoke with County Counsel regarding the committee utilizing an evaluation document for the funding requests. County Counsel indicated that the committee members' evaluations would have to be shared with

public prior to the committee meeting. The committee will fill out the evaluation documents for personal use to organize their thoughts.

**VII. Adjourn at 2:56 PM**

Standing committee meeting on the second Monday of the month.

September 14, 2020

October 12, 2020

November 9, 2020

**Meetings will be held via Zoom until further notice.**

*August is dark. Next meeting is September 14, 2020.*

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