BOARD MEETING MINUTES
August 18, 2026
5:30p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Location
1000 S. Fremont,
Los Angeles, CA 91803

A G E N D A

I. Welcome - The meeting was called to order at 6pm

II. Roll Call

Joe Mendoza - present
David Ford - present (left at 9pm)
Norma E. García-González – present
Ernesto Martinez - present
Rebecca Friedman - absent
Mia Lehrer - absent
Ginger Chan - absent
Jonathan Kagen - absent

Attendees:
Alina Bokde - present
Jessica Lopez - present (attended starting at 7:30pm)

III. Executive Director Final Interviews

a. Discussion: Board discusses and agrees to setting the Executive Director salary at $200,000.00. The Board discusses and agrees that the start date for the new Executive Director will be November 1, 2026 with an option for the Executive Director to contract with LACPF as a consultant in September 2026 for onboarding purposes.

Board discusses and agrees that an onboarding plan should be developed for Yvette Lopez-Ledesma. The Board identifies the following onboarding topics: financials, grants review, presentation reviews, and benefits review. The Board also recommends Yvette's email, laptop and phone be set up prior to onboarding.

The Board discusses and agrees that executive coaching is key to the new Executive Director's professional development and stipulates that while the new ED can select their own coach, the coaching should focus on how to move from a "#2 position" to a "#1 position" in a nonprofit organization. Rebecca Friedman shares that some members of the Search Committee have been in conversation with Envision Consulting, a partner of the CA Center for Nonprofit Management Center, as a potential firm to support the Executive Director's professional development (coaching), as well as supporting Board development.

The Board requests that Secoya Affect research and recommend a framework for benefits including healthcare, paid time off, and retirement savings for the Search Committee to consider for inclusion in the Executive Director offer letter.

b. David Ford Moves to offer Yvette Lopez-Ledesma the LACPF Executive Director position. Rebecca Friedman seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Action Items

a. Authorize LACPF Board President to enter into engagement agreement with Lattice Legal to review and negotiate agreement with selected Project Manager. Recommended Action: Authorize LACPF Board President to enter into engagement agreement with Lattice Legal to review and negotiate agreement with selected Project Manager. David Ford moves to approve. Ernesto Martinez seconds. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Announcement

a. Awarded: The DICK'S Sporting Goods Foundation/LISC- Game On- Community Places to Play/ Disaster Relief Initiative
b. August 29th Countywide Baseball/Softball Tournament – La Mirada Community Regional Park
c. LA Phil and Live Nation Present An Evening with Santana Supporting the Los Angeles County Parks Foundation
d. Update on Filling Deadlines: FY24-25 books have been closed and tax returns have been filed. AUdit is pending and considered timely with completion date of September 2026

VI. Round Table

a. Scheduling September Board Meeting - discussed scheduling, pre-meet items, and items to discuss at board meeting
b. October 3rd Charles White groundbreaking - discussed LACPF role and importance
c. October 8th LACPF raptor rescue golf tournament fundraiser - discussed possible attendance.
d. November 5 – dodger dreamfields opening at Farnsworth park

VII. Adjourn - Adjourned at 9:30