



**NAMI California Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Larkspur Landing**  
**DATE: Thursday, January 14, 2016**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Sergio Aguilar-Gaxiola, President; Dorothy Hendrickson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President; Gustavo Loera, Secretary; Amanda Lipp, Diane Van Maren, Ratan Bhavnani; and Jim Randall.

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Guy Qvistgaard, 1st Vice President; Kenton Rainey, Treasurer and Juan Garcia.

STAFF PRESENT: Jessica Cruz, Executive Director; Steven Kite, Deputy Director; and Kris Amezcua, Director of Operations

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**CALL TO ORDER**                      The meeting was called to order by President, Sergio Aguilar-Gaxiola at 8:40 a.m.

**MOTION #1**                              MOTION: To approve November 19, 2015 Board of Director’s meeting minutes  
MOVED: Gustavo Loera  
SECONDED: Ratan Bhavnani  
**MOTION PASSED**

**MOTION #2**                              MOTION: To approve November 20, 2015 Board of Director’s meeting minutes  
MOVED: Ratan Bhavnani  
SECONDED: Gustavo Loera  
**MOTION PASSED**

**NATIONAL AWARDS**                      Board members discussed California nominees to submit to the NAMI National Awards committee.

**CONFERENCE REPORT STRATEGIC PLANNING**                      NAMI Staff updated board members on progress for the 2016 NAMI CA Annual Conference.

Board concluded strategic planning process

**MOTION #3**                              MOTION: To approve 2016-2020 NAMI California Strategic Plan  
MOVED: Dorothy Hendrickson  
SECONDED: Diane Van Maren  
**MOTION PASSED**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Board committees provided updates on their work.

**GUEST SPEAKER**

Dr. Hendry Ton, Associate Professor from the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Science presented Transformation through Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services. (CLAS)

**MOTION #4**

MOTION: To approve updated 2015/2016 Budget

MOVED: Gustavo Loera

SECONDED: Jim Randall

**MOTION PASSED**

**MOTION #5**

MOTION: To approve the following updated policies: Annual Calendar, Conducting Business Electronically, and Bylaws-Biannual Review.

MOVED: Gustavo Loera

SECONDED: Jim Randall

**MOTION PASSED**

**MOTION #6**

MOTION: To approve Public Policy Platform draft edits to Hospital Standards section to be sent to the membership for comments

MOVED: Diane Van Maren

SECONDED: Sergio Aguilar-Gaxiola

**MOTION PASSED**

**MOTION #7**

MOTION: To approve the adoption Public Policy Platforms edits and additions in the following sections:

- Mental Health Parity
- Solitary Confinement (with additional edits from Policy Committee, marked in document)
- Housing (with additional edits from Policy Committee, marked in document)
- Use of Restraints and Seclusion (no changes here, reordering only)
- Restraints and Seclusion in Schools
- Evaluation of Programs
- Media Reporting (with additional edits from Policy Committee, marked in document)
- Child Custody and Family Unity

MOVED: Diane Van Maren

SECONDED: Gustavo Loera

**MOTION PASSED**

**ADJOURNED**

3:30 p.m.



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Gustavo Loera  
Secretary, Board of Directors  
NAMI California

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Date