



## **LOS ANGELES CITY/COUNTY NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION SELF GOVERNANCE BOARD**

### **July 15, 2025 Approved Meeting Minutes**

The July 15, 2025 Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission Self Governance Board (LANAIC SGB) meeting was at the County of Los Angeles Hall of Administration, Sybil Brand Room 372, 500 W. Temple Street, Los Angeles, California, 90012.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Dawn Jackson called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M.

#### **INVOCATION**

Commissioner John Only A Chief provided an invocation.

#### **ROLL CALL**

The following Commissioners were present:

Chairperson Dawn Jackson  
Vice Chairperson Shawn Imitates Dog  
Secretary Mona Morales Recalde  
Treasurer Dr. Andrea Garcia  
Denise Escoto  
John Only A Chief  
Rene' Williams

The following Commissioners were absent:

None

Quorum was met.

The following staff were present:

Alexandra Valdes, LANAIC Executive Director  
Julien Tan, LANAIC Administrative Manager

#### **COMMISSIONER INTRODUCTIONS**

Commissioners provided brief introductions, including their names, the office for which they were appointed, and their tribal affiliation.



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**5. REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ADOPTING UNAPPROVED MAY 20, 2025 LOS ANGELES CITY/COUNTY NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION SELF GOVERNANCE BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

*A motion was made by Secretary Mona Morales Recalde and seconded by Commissioner Denise Escoto to approve the unapproved May 20, 2025, LANAIC SGB Meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed.*

<b>YES</b>	Jackson, Morales Recalde, Escoto, Only A Chief
<b>NO</b>	
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	Imitates Dog, Garcia, Williams
<b>ABSENT</b>	

**6. ADOPT THE 2026-2027 COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN & COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND DIRECT CHAIR DAWN JACKSON AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ALEXANDRA VALDES TO SIGN AND SUBMIT THE DOCUMENT TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES & DEVELOPMENT BY JULY 16, 2025**

*A motion was made by Commissioner Rene' Williams and seconded by Vice Chairperson Shawn Imitates Dog to approve the 2026-2027 Community Services Block Grant Community Action Plan & Community Needs Assessment as presented. The motion passed.*

<b>YES</b>	Jackson, Imitates Dog, Morales Recalde, Escoto, Garcia, Only A Chief, Williams
<b>NO</b>	
<b>ABSTAIN</b>	
<b>ABSENT</b>	

**7. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**CSBG Program and Financial Report**

Alexandra Valdes reported the Community Services Block Grant Native American Set-Aside funds March 2025 expenses.

Alexandra shared high level updates on the state of CSBG and the possibility of federal cuts. She shared that she continues to stay in regular communication with the State Department of Community Services & Development and will provide updates to the LANAIC SGB. CSBG funding is secure for the current calendar year. Looking ahead, next year's funding is dependent on Congressional decisions expected in September.

Commissioner Dr. Andrea Garcia asked whether undocumented individuals are eligible for CSAIBG funding support. Alexandra responded that there is currently no federal push to support undocumented populations. She noted this as part of a broader dismantling of the social safety net.

Alexandra has communicated with Pamela Villasenor, Executive Director of Pukúu Cultural Community Services, who will speak with her staff regarding the increase in individuals seeking services.



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**8. COMMISSIONER GENERAL COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**9. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Commissioner Rene' Williams shared about a Community Prayer Gathering hosted by California Native Vote Project on August 9<sup>th</sup>.

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**11. Board Adjournment**

Chairperson Dawn Jackson adjourned the meeting at 6:19 p.m.