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December 6, 2016

Meeting Minutes

CALIFORNIA ACHIEVING A BETTER LIFE EXPERIENCE (ABLE) ACT BOARD

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Board members present:

Vincent P. Brown for the State Treasurer, John Chiang  
Alan Lofaso for the State Controller, Betty T. Yee  
Jacqueline Wong-Hernandez for the Director of Finance, Michael Cohen  
Dr. April Lopez, Chairperson of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities  
Jennifer Lim for the Director of Rehabilitation, Joe Xavier  
Liz Pazdral for the Chairperson of the State Independent Living Council, Linda  
Schaedle  
Eric Gelber for the Director of Developmental Services, Nancy Bargmann

Board members absent:

None

CalABLE Board staff present:

Christina Elliott, Executive Director  
Carrie Fisher Stone, Deputy Executive Director  
Rajeshwari Prasad, Associate Governmental Program Analyst

Chairperson Brown called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

**Agenda Item 1 – Approval of the Minutes of the November 1, 2016 Meeting of the California ABLE Act Board (ACTION ITEM)**

Chairperson Brown asked for public comment. There was none.

MOTION:	Jacqueline Wong-Hernandez	SECONDED:	Liz Pazdral
AYES:	Vincent P. Brown, Alan Lofaso, Jacqueline Wong-Hernandez, Dr. April Lopez, Jennifer Lim, Eric Gelber, and Liz Pazdral		
NOES:	None		
ABSTAIN:	None		
RECUSE:	None		

ACTION:	Approved
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**Agenda Item 2 – Executive Director’s Report (INFORMATION ITEM)**

Executive Director Christina Elliott presented to the Board a report on CalABLE budget, outreach efforts, and development of State regulations for the program.

Chairperson Brown asked for public comment. There was none.

**Agenda Item 3 – 529A Program Consultant Update: Andrea Feirstein (AKF Consulting LLC, dba AKF Consulting Group) (INFORMATION ITEM)**

The Board received a presentation from Andrea Feirstein, Managing Director of AKF Consulting Group. The presentation covered Ms. Feirstein’s background and expertise and the latest update on 529A plans across the nation.

Chairperson Brown asked for public comment. There was none.

**Agenda Item 4 – Second Reading: Mission, Vision, and Values (INFORMATION ITEM)**

The Board received a second reading on its mission, vision, and values, which includes proposed suggestions from stakeholders.

Chairperson Brown asked for public comment. There was none.

**Public Comment**

Chairperson Brown asked for public comment. There was none.

**Other Business**

None.

The meeting adjourned at 1:57p.m.