



**DRAFT Minutes of the 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention**  
**Lake Buena Vista, FL**  
**November 6, 2010**

<b>Call to Order</b>	The business meeting of the 59th Annual Convention of The Arc was called to order by President Lynne Cleveland in the Grand Ballroom of the Hilton, located in the WALT DISNEY WORLD® Resort, Lake Buena Vista, FL, November 6, 2010 at 9:11 AM.
<b>Welcome</b>	President Lynne Cleveland welcomed the visitors and guests to the Business portion of the Convention. Ms. Cleveland then introduced the members at the head table.
<b>Business Meeting Orientation</b>	President Cleveland introduced George Mervosh, III, PRP of Pittsburgh, PA as the Parliamentarian for the meeting. Mr. Mervosh held a brief review of the rules contained in The Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure and the proposed operating rules for the meeting. Mr Mervosh also conducted an interactive orientation to the electronic voting procedures that were going to be followed during the meeting.
<b>Credentials Report</b>	Secretary Mohan Mehra reported that delegates from 32 states and the District of Columbia representing 2355 out of 3491 potential votes had registered at the convention. The assembly approved the report of the Credentials Committee.  1632 in favor, 40 opposed.
<b>Establishment of Quorum</b>	Secretary, Mohan Mehra declared that a quorum was present.
<b>Approval of Business Meeting Operating Rules</b>	President Lynne Cleveland presented the Business Meeting Operating Rules to the assembly. The rules were approved as presented.  2163 in favor, 5 opposed.
<b>Approval of Agendas</b>	The agenda for the Business Meeting was approved as submitted. 1811 in favor, 95 opposed.
<b>Appointments</b>	President Cleveland made the following appointments for the business session:  Timekeeper – Secretary Mohan Mehra Pages – Violet Foley and Sarah Yates
<b>58th Annual Business Session Minutes</b>	President Lynne Cleveland announced that the minutes of the 58th Annual Business Session of The Arc were reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors.
<b>President's Report</b>	President Cleveland presented the President's report relating her accomplishments during her two year tenure.
<b>Chief Executive Officer's Report</b>	Chief Executive Officer, Peter V. Berns discussed the The Arc's new strategic framework and mission statement; the rebranding initiative; and health care reform.

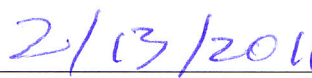
<b>NCE Report</b>	Barry Meyer, President of the National Council of Executives of The Arc (NCE), presented the NCE report. He discussed the economic issues faced by chapters; training opportunities being offered; the joint venture between agreement and mutual working relationship between The Arc and NCE; and the award and scholarship established in honor of Paul Marchand, Director, DPC, and his over 30 years of service to The Arc.
<b>Board Development Committee Report</b>	<p>Mary V. Jordan presented the Board Development Committee's Report nominating the following persons as officers, board members and committee members:</p> <p>For President – Mohan Mehra, New York  For Vice President – Nancy Webster, Illinois  For Secretary – Michael Mack, Maryland  For Treasurer – Ron Brown, Texas</p> <p>For Board of Directors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M.J. Bartelmay, Pennsylvania</li> <li>• Barbara Coppens, New Jersey</li> <li>• Hugh Evans, III, Maryland</li> <li>• Connie Garner, District of Columbia</li> <li>• Thomas Judd, Minnesota</li> <li>• Joe Meadours, California</li> <li>• Pat Napoliello, California</li> <li>• Lou Spanos, District of Columbia</li> </ul> <p>For Board Development Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jean Bender, Minnesota</li> <li>• Chris Egan, North Carolina</li> <li>• Steve Pyles, Maryland</li> <li>• Tony Records, Maryland</li> </ul>
<b>Nominees from the floor</b>	<p>President Cleveland asked for additional nominees from the floor:</p> <p>For Board of Directors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chester Finn, New York</li> </ul>
<b>Election of 2010 – 2012 Officers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mohan Mehra of New York was declared elected to the office of President</li> <li>• Nancy Webster of Illinois was declared elected to the office of Vice President</li> <li>• Michael Mack of Maryland was declared elected to the office of Secretary</li> <li>• Ron Brown of Texas was declared elected to the office of Treasurer</li> </ul>
<b>Election of 2010 – 2014 Board Members</b>	<p>The following persons were declared elected to the Board of Directors for a four year term:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M.J. Bartelmay, Pennsylvania, received 2251 votes</li> <li>• Barbara Coppens, New Jersey, received 2050 votes</li> <li>• Hugh Evans, III, Maryland, received 1926 votes</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connie Garner, District of Columbia, received 2057 votes</li> <li>• Thomas Judd, Minnesota, received 2018 votes</li> <li>• Joe Meadours, California, received 1766 votes</li> <li>• Pat Napolliello, California, received 1845 votes</li> <li>• Lou Spanos, District of Columbia, received 2046 votes</li> </ul>
<b>Election of Board Development Committee Members</b>	<p>The following members were elected to fill the four vacancies on the Board Development Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jean Bender, Minnesota</li> <li>• Chris Egan, North Carolina</li> <li>• Steve Pyles, Maryland</li> <li>• Tony Records, Maryland</li> </ul>
<b>Approval of Core Values</b>	<p>Nancy Webster presented the revised Core Values, on behalf of the Committee on the Future of The Arc. The Core Values were approved as presented.</p> <p>For 1337 Against 902</p>
<b>Position Statement Committee Report</b>  <b>Position Statements</b>	<p>Elise McMillan, Chair, Committee for the Advancement of Knowledge and Understanding and Cindy Johnson, Chair, Public Policy &amp; Legal Advocacy, presented the position statements.</p> <p>Without objection, the following six (6) Position Statements were continued until 2016:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advocacy</li> <li>• Behavioral Supports</li> <li>• Prevention</li> <li>• Research</li> <li>• Support Coordination</li> <li>• Spirituality</li> </ul> <p>Without objection, the following Position Statement's deadline was extended to 2011:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Individual Supports</li> </ul> <p>The Position Statement on Advocacy was adopted by a vote of 2112 in favor and 61 opposed.</p> <p>The Position Statement on Behavioral Supports was adopted by a vote of 1565 in favor and 714 opposed.</p> <p>The Position Statement on Prevention was adopted by a vote of 2175 in favor and 88 opposed.</p> <p>The Position Statement on Research was adopted by a vote of 2276 in favor and 4 opposed.</p> <p>The Position Support Coordination was adopted by a vote of 2153 in</p>

	<p>favor and 15 opposed.</p> <p>The Position Statement on Spirituality was adopted by a vote of 2246 in favor and 19 opposed.</p> <p>The Position Statement on Individual Supports' deadline extension was adopted by a vote of 2057 in favor and 108 opposed.</p>
<b>Remarks from Incoming President</b>	President Elect Mohan Mehra presented on his vision for the next two years.
<b>New Business</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A task force will be established with the goal of revising the bylaws and affiliation agreement. All recommendations will be submitted to the Board for review and approval.</li> <li>2. Proposed <i>Resolution Opposing Aversive Restraints</i>:</li> </ol> <p>The Delegate Body allowed the presentation of the Resolution Opposing Aversive Restraints by a vote of 1300 in favor and 108 opposed.</p> <p>Discussion of the Proposed Resolution Opposing Aversive Restraints amended led to a revision, and finally a withdrawal of the amended proposed Resolution Opposing Aversive Restraints.</p> <p>A new revised proposed Resolution Opposing Aversive Restraints was presented to the Delegate Body.</p> <p>The Delegate Body did not allow the presentation of the revised Resolution Opposing Aversive Restraints by a vote of 591 in favor and 1024 opposed.</p>
<b>Recognition of Convention Planning Committee</b>	President Lynne Cleveland thanked the Committee for their efforts and congratulated them on a successful 2010 Convention.
<b>Announcements</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Meeting the Officers change in venue was announced;</li> <li>2. Reminder to return the keypads upon exiting the session; and</li> <li>3. Due to time constraints, a vote was taken to determine which plenary work session item would be discussed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Review and Discussion of Committee Recommendations;</li> <li>or</li> <li>b. Implementation of The Arc's New Brand Identity.</li> </ol> </li> </ol> <p>The Delegate Body decided that the Implementation of The Arc's New Brand Identity Session would be discussed by a vote of 1031 in favor and 752 against.</p>
<b>Adjourn</b>	President Lynne Cleveland adjourned the 59th Annual Convention Business Session sine die at 11:59 am.

Approved:

  
Mohan Mehra, Secretary

  
Date

# 2010 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ARC

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IX SECTION 5 OF THE ARC'S CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS, A QUORUM SHALL CONSIST OF VOTING DELEGATES REPRESENTING IN PERSON OR BY PROXY NOT LESS THAN A MAJORITY (FIFTY-ONE PERCENT) OF THE TOTAL ELIGIBLE VOTERS AS CERTIFIED BY THE SECRETARY.

WE HAVE 32 STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA WITH A

TOTAL OF 2355 CREDENTIALIAED VOTES.

THIS REPRESENTS 67 PERCENT OF THE 3491 ELIGIBLE VOTES.

THEREFORE A QUORUM IS ESTABLISHED.

Violet Foley  
VIOLET FOLEY, HEAD VOLUNTEER

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