

CalSAWS | Minutes

Meeting: Project Steering Committee Meeting
Location: CalSAWS 11971 Foundation Place, 3rd Floor, Gold River, CA 95670
Date: Thursday, October 16, 2025
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Present: In Person: Clarisa Simon, Region 1 – Member; Lynn Perez, Region 1 – Member; Eduardo Ameneiro, Region 2 – Member; and Kristine Maxwell, Region 4 – Member
Zoom: Rachel Ebel-Elliot, Region 3 – Member; Cesilia Leon, Region 4 – Member; Jaime Duncan, Region 5 – Member; Sandra Bowlan, Region 5 – Member; Alberto Banuelos, Region 5 – Co-Chair; Del Benavides, Region 6 – Member; Shawn Amiel, Region 6 – Member; Olga Vicuna, Region 6 – Member
Facilitator: Julia Erdkamp, CalSAWS Executive Director

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1. Call Meeting to Order

Summary: Co-Chair, Albert Banuelos, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Confirmation of Quorum and Agenda Review

Summary: Co-Chair, Albert Banuelos, confirmed quorum of the PSC and gave a brief overview of the agenda topics.

3. Public Comment: Public opportunity to speak on any item NOT on the Agenda. Public comments are limited to no more than three minutes per speaker, except that a speaker using a translator shall be allowed up to six minutes.

Summary: None

Action Items

4. Approval of the Minutes and review of the Action Items from the September 18, 2025 PSC Meeting.

Action Items from previous meetings:

Action item 1 – CalSAWS Learning Exchange (CLE): Open – Information shared by Peggy Macias.

Summary: The Consortium is seeking approval of the Minutes and review of the Action Items from the September 18, 2025 PSC Meeting.

Motion to approve was made by Co-Chair, Sandra Bowlan.
Motion was seconded by Member Eduardo Ameneiro.
Member, Clarisa Simon, voted to approve.
Member, Lynn Perez, abstained.

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Member, Rachel Ebel-Elliott, voted to approve.
Member, Cesilia Leon, voted to approve.
Member, Kristine Maxwell, abstained.
Member, Jaime Duncan, voted to approve.
Co-Chair, Albert Banuelos, voted to approve.
Member, Del Benavides, voted to approve.
Member, Shawn Amiel, voted to approve.
Member, Olga Vicuna, voted to approve.
The motion passed.

Informational Items

5. H.R. 1 Updates

- SUAS
- Workgroups Updates

Summary: Julia Erdkamp, Michele Peterson, Jerry Nielson, and Karen Rapponotti provided updates on H.R. 1.

*Public comment made by Jennifer Tracy.

6. Release & Policy Updates

- 26.11 & Upcoming Priority Releases

Summary: Karen Rapponotti and Michele Peterson provided updates on Release & Policy.

7. BenefitsCal Update

- BenefitsCal HR 1 Priorities
- Upcoming Enhancements

Summary: Frederick Gains, Onur Senman, and Mufaddal Tinmaker provided an update on BenefitsCal.

*Public comment made by Jennifer Tracy.

8. CalSAWS Learning Exchange

Summary: Peggy Macias provided an overview of CalSAWS Learning Exchange.

9. Transition Update

Summary: Rajesh Tahaliyani provided an update on Transition.

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10. Monthly Performance Trends

Summary: Dawn Wilder, Michael Green, Sara Kiewiet, Trey Rees, and Lisa Salas provided an overview of Monthly Performance Trends.

11. State Partners Updates

- OTSI
- CDSS
- DHCS

Summary: Patrice Yang provided an update for OTSI. Emily Caruso provided an update for CDSS. Katie Mead provided an update for DHCS.

12. Adjourn Meeting

Summary: Co-Chair, Albert Banuelos, adjourned the meeting at 10:26 a.m.

Follow Up

#	Action Item	Who	Due
1	Research expanding CalSAWS Learning Exchange (CLE) sessions to more than 500 participants.	Customer Engagement	Closed

Next Meeting

In-Person/Zoom

Thursday, November 20, 2025

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

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