## Local Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes



July 21, 2022 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

#### Members in Attendance:

Tracey Flourie (FA), Horacio Correa, Jr. (FA), Joyce Clark (FA), Reva Subra (FA), Chris Lubinski (FA), Debra Jorgensen (A), My Dinh (FA), Tania Schloss, Clients Rights Advocate,

#### Ex-Officio Members in Attendance:

Mary Ellen Stives SCDD, Katie Dempsey, SDRC

#### Members / Ex-Officio Members Absent:

Kim Rucker (SA), Bertha Taylor (A), My Dinh (FA),

This meeting was conducted by Zoom video conferencing. Meeting called to order by Joyce Clark at 5:32 p.m.

- Welcome / Introductions. Advisory committee members were invited to introduce themselves. Guests were invited to introduce themselves in the chat. Joyce reviewed the purpose of the Local Advisory Committee. Joyce also shared information on the Bagley Keene Open Meeting Act.
- 2. Public Input.
  - a. Justin Hole from North Bay / Napa County introduced himself and his involvement with self-advocacy.
- 3. Motion to approve minutes of June 16, 2022. First, Horacia Correa; Second, Tracey Flourie; All in favor. Motion Approved.
- 4. SCDD Statewide Advisory Board Updates: Joyce provided an updated of discussion at the most meeting including small group discussion on needs, best practices, FMS agencies, understanding the budget and how to turn budgets into a spending plan. Mary Ellen shared that statewide 1462 persons are enrolled, which seems like a relatively small number. Orientation is now available statewide. Joyce noted that the minutes of advisory board meetings are typically delayed in getting out, so there is a delay in sharing with committee members.

General discussion on funding for social / recreation. Katie shared that with social recreation they have developed a process to review requests. Continue to submit requests







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to service coordinators and if you are involved in SDP you can include Katie in the email. Joyce suggested having a member of the committee that reviews social / rec requests join us at our August meeting.

Discussion continued on strategies for outreach and education particularly to minority culture communities. The need for the vendor community to become more aware and engaged in SDP was also discussed.

There was a general feeling that more information needs to be sent out into the community. Members and guests indicated their interest in doing speaking engagements. Chris mentioned that there are challenges with getting services from FMS. This is an issue locally and at the state level. General discussion on how the committee can contribute to educating the community. The need to revisit this topic and develop specific plans at the August meeting was identified.

Joyce suggested it may be a good idea to have an informational meeting for persons seeking information on the SDP one half hour prior to each regularly scheduled LAC meeting.

- 5. San Diego Regional Center Report: Katie Dempsey introduced herself as she now steps into the role of Program Manager for the Self-Determination Program.
  - a. Current enrollment: 166 persons enrolled by August 1<sup>st</sup>. SDRC continues to lead the state.
  - b. Updates on internal procedures: Trainings have been occurring for all staff on the processes of self-determination. Ongoing training is occurring for any new staff. Two additional Participant Choice Specialists have been hired.
- 6. Implementation Funds Spending Plan
  - a. Self-Determination Conference 2022: Planning is underway for the November 4 & 5 conference at Park and Market. Save the Date postcard being printed and mailed. Input survey scheduled to go out in the next few weeks.
  - b. Self-Determination Facebook Group: Facebook group is launched. The group offers the opportunity people involved in the self-determination program in San Diego and Imperial Counties to connect, share information and resources, learn best practices, and hear success stories. Current membership is 20. We want to encourage more





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- membership so that it can be a way for people to connect, share info, and gain support. Over the next month we will test out some of the features of the group, including live conferencing.
- c. Self-Advocacy Conference will feature the 'self-determination' experience on Friday August 26<sup>th</sup>, from 4 p.m. 6 p.m. Outside the Lens will be offering photo / video booths. Other opportunities to learn about self-determination are being planned by the SDP Team.
- d. Contracted with Reuben Herzl of "Groundmaking Productions" to do a video documentary on the self-determination program. The SDP team is identifying potential self-determination participants to be featured. Visit the website and check out this example of his work: <a href="https://www.groundmaking.com/carlsbad-educational-foundation">https://www.groundmaking.com/carlsbad-educational-foundation</a>
- 7. New Members: Joyce discussed looking for more representation on the LAC from unserved or underserved communities.
- 8. Future Agenda Items:
  - a. Conference planning (if you are interested in helping plan contact David for information (dpdraz@gmail.com)
  - b. Follow-up on Social / Recreation approvals. Invite Social Recreation Committee members.
  - c. Follow-up on Vendor engagement, invite the chair of the Vendor Advisory Committee to the next LAC Meeting.
  - d. Disseminate data on participants of the SDP.
  - e. Review, revise and update plan for the LAC to develop measurable goals.
- 9. Date(s) of next meeting(s): August 18<sup>th</sup> @ 10 a.m. (virtual) / September 15<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30, focused on committee planning process.
- 10. Meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: David Drazenovich



