



### SELF-DETERMINATION LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES Approved 11/4/19

Date: Monday, October 7, 2019 Start Time: 7:00 pm End Time: 8:35 pm Location of This Meeting: Regional Center of the East Bay/Concord Location of the Next Meeting: RCEB/San Leandro

### ATTENDEES:

*Committee Members Present*: Irene Litherland, Pamela Baird, Vi Ibarra, Dianne Millner, Arthur Lipscomb, Pei Wang (via phone)

*Committee Members Absent:* Krista Loomis, Esther Chow, Melissa Crisp-Cooper, Morena Grimaldi

RCEB Staff Present: Lisa Kleinbub, Melanie Gonzalez

SCDD Staff Present: Sheraden Nicholau

*Guests*: Sara Desumala (via phone), Patrick McKay (via phone), Will Sanford, Neil Jacobsen (via phone), Breeanne Burris, Sandra Coss, Hannah Michaelsen, Jocelyn Manalac, Karen Nance, Michelle Hernandez, Valerie Valvona (via phone), Mark Polit (via phone)

# Agenda Item: Welcome and Introductions

Chairperson Irene Litherland chaired this 50<sup>th</sup> meeting at RCEB's Concord office. Attendees were greeted and self-introductions were made.

# Agenda Item: Consent to the Minutes

M/S/C "The committee moves to approve the September 9, 2019 minutes as presented" [Millner/Baird] Passed unanimously, Ibarra abstained.

Announcements: Vi Ibarra was the note taker of this meeting.

# Agenda Item: Committee Membership Selection Update

14 applicants were interviewed, 3 were selected to be recommended for appointment to the local advisory committee. RCEB announced their appointment of Sandra Coss from La Familia to the committee. The State Council Bay Area Office has recommended Jocelyn Manalac and Neil Jacobsen for appointment to the advisory committee which will be voted upon at the next State Council membership committee in November.

#### Agenda Item: Chairperson's Report

Irene will attend the Statewide advisory committee meeting on October 18 in Sacramento. Local advisory committee chairs were asked to submit written reports about their local advisory committees in preparation for that meeting.

Following up from the last Statewide meeting, which took place in June, Irene shared that there was some conflicting information regarding the response to several goals the committee set for itself. She hopes to get clarity on that response at the October meeting. A call-in number will be provided for the October 18 meeting, and Irene asked that anyone who wants specific questions asked or information shared at that meeting to contact her with that information.

#### Agenda Item: Discussion about Membership and Meeting Location

Following up from the discussion at the last meeting, the committee is committed to better facilitating involvement on the advisory committee by committee members and guests. Lisa is working with her IT department to pilot a video conference option for the November meeting in San Leandro. The committee may also discuss clarifying expectations around meeting attendance of committee members.

### Agenda Item: Update from Regional Center

Attendance at orientations has slowed down and the majority of those selected who wish to proceed have already attended one. Some selectees have asked to postpone their participation, and others have not responded to outreach from RCEB. November 15 is the deadline to attend an orientation. Those who have not yet attended will give up their spot to be filled with the next round of selections. DDS will be sending out a notice about that deadline, and will also make allowances for extenuating circumstances. The date for the next round of selections is still to be determined, but will be in November. There will be an over-selection of names so that we have a ready list of names to fill any addition spots that open up due to opting out.

Additionally, Melanie shared that 5 individuals have completed and submitted their Person Centered Plan. Two vendors have submitted applications to become PC Planners. Once that vendorization is complete, these planners can be paid directly for PCP rather than having participants pay upfront and then be reimbursed by the regional center.

DDS has stated that they will be posting a budget certification tool but it is not yet available. This tool is where budget adjustments for cultural or language unmet needs will be made.

#### Agenda Item: Update on Statewide Self-Determination Working Group

The working group has been working through issues of getting Self-Determination running, including a focus on getting the waiver approved (which happened in June 2018). The Local Advisory Committees are looking at systemic and or local issues that need to be addressed for implementation. Will shared that the priority for the next selection of names will be: over 42 age group, siblings of those currently selected, and individuals and family members who have served on the advisory committees.

#### Agenda Item: Connecting Selectees and Families

Melissa and Pamela are drafting a survey to send out to SD selectees. They will ask questions such as: how are you affiliated with SD (as a self-advocate or family advocate?), how do you prefer to connect with others in SD, what excites you about SD, what are your greatest concerns about SD, what steps have you taken toward implementing your SD program, and are you willing to share your thoughts on the process with others? They will report at the next advisory meeting what the responses are to the survey.

### Agenda Item: Independent Facilitator Training

A work group met in late August to create an outline for Independent Facilitator training. We are looking for people who may be interested in partnering to present some portion of that training. Sheraden and Vi can work with anyone interested ahead of time to make sure they are comfortable presenting the information in a specific section. The outline was reviewed. We are planning to offer the training two times in Alameda Count and two times in Contra Costa County. More trainings can be added in the future if needed.

### Agenda Item: Input on Future Agenda Items

A request was made for a discussion about how to disperse the funding that will be available to each local advisory committee. Another request was made for the next month's agenda to include an update from Melissa and Pamela on connecting selectees.

# Agenda Item: Public Comment and Announcements

None

# 2019 MEETINGS

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| November 4 <sup>th</sup> | San Leandro |
| December 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Concord     |