SELF-DETERMINATION LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approved 4/5/2021

Date: Monday, March 1, 2021
Start Time: 7:00 pm   End Time: 8:30 pm
Location of This Meeting: Zoom- no physical meeting location
Location of the Next Meeting: Zoom-no physical meeting location

ATTENDEES:
Committee Members Present: Co-Chair Irene Litherland, Co-Chair Melissa Crisp-Cooper, Arthur Lipscomb, Pei Wang, Dianne Millner, Neil Jacobsen, Jocelyn Manalac, Morena Grimaldi, Vi Ibarra, Pamela Baird
Committee Members Absent: Sandra Coss
RCEB Staff Present: Lisa Kleinbub, Ronke Sodipo
SCDD Staff Present: Sheraden Nicholau
Guests: Peter Kangas, Breeanne Burris, Melissa Robinson, Kishan Sreedhar, Dr. Michelle Hernandez, Erika Gonzalez, Chris Wecks, Helen Reese, Sabrina Kappe, Yvette Torres, Katie Ramirez, Joyce Butz.

It was noted that the Zoom meeting format is being adjusted in light of concerns about ‘Zoom bombers’. Registration is now required to attend these advisory committee meetings. Screen sharing will only be allowed with permission from the chairpersons. There was also discussion about recording meetings, with recordings only to be used to assist with preparing meeting minutes.

Agenda Item: Welcome, Designate Minutes Taker, Chat Monitor and Introductions
Committee members and guests all introduced themselves. Vi volunteered to take minutes.

Agenda Item: Consent to the Minutes
M/S/C  “The committee moves to approve the February 1, 2021 minutes as corrected” [Grimaldi/Baird] Passed unanimously with two abstentions.

Agenda Item: Reports from Co-Chairpersons and Update on Stateside Advisory Committee meeting
Melissa continues to work on organizing a Meet and Greet with selectees. This event is being
planned for April. Irene shared that she and Melissa have met with the chair persons of the GGRC and SARC advisory committees and they are interested in the work being done on the survey and guidepost document.

At the Statewide meeting in February, there was conversation and input regarding the need for funding for Person Centered Planning to still be available after the roll out of SDP. Also, the Statewide committee chairpersons have requested each local advisory committee contribute $3000 from their funds to support more frequent Statewide meetings. When this request was made, our committee had already allocated its funds. We will consider this when the next round of funds becomes available.

The Statewide meeting included discussion in breakout rooms to brainstorm ways to help get more of the original 2,500 selectees fully transitioned to Self-Determination. The breakout rooms reported back a summary of their recommendations, totaling approximately 75+ ideas. A motion was made and very narrowly approved to recommend all the ideas. There is a workgroup which will now further review and synthesize the ideas.

**Agenda Item: Update from Regional Center:** See summary report attached.

**Agenda Item: Update on State Budget Hearings on SDP**
Lisa reported that the Assembly subcommittee did not discuss Self-Determination. It was on the agenda for the Senate subcommittee. There was a report from DDS with statistics showing that the rollout has been slow, and there are some delays due to COVID. The State Council also reported on COVID delays, as well as the barriers report and the drop off of selectees that happens between orientation and implementation. They are suggesting setting benchmarks for the transition. The Legislative Analyst Office expressed concerns about expansion without seeing a higher rate of transition into SDP of first phase participants. The program was designed to be cost neutral, but at this time there is not enough information to determine if it is.

**Agenda Item: Survey Work Group Update**
The workgroup met and have wrapped up the survey draft. It now needs to be translated to Spanish and Simplified Chinese. The goal is to have it sent out, and responses received by this committee’s April meeting.

**Agenda Item: Transition Guideposts Work Group Update**
The group has met twice and has reviewed existing documents outline the steps to transition from traditional services to self-determination. They are creating a document to serve two purposes: first, to help clients plan out their steps for the transition and keep them moving toward self-determination and, secondly, to inform the Regional Center when some additional assistance is needed by the case manager or consumer.

**Agenda Item: Update on Use of Funds from DDS**
a. **Coaching:** Three coaches have reported that there are a total of 19 individuals receiving coaching, 8 of whom are being served in Spanish. None of the individuals they are
coaching have transitioned yet. Quite a few are at the Spending Plan or IPP stage. Coaches report there is confusion regarding what the regional center responsibilities are versus the participant/family responsibility. There are delays in receiving responses from case managers. Also, some challenges fall outside of the scope of the work of the coaches, specifically the need for advocacy with generic services such as school, IHSS, or medical.

b. **Recording of IF Training:** The recording of presentations in English is complete and being edited now. We are looking for native Spanish speakers who are familiar with the content of the training to present the 8 sections in Spanish. At this time we have 3 or so confirmed presenters. We would like to have more to allow for a variety of presentations styles and perspectives, as well as to not overburden any one presenter. The committee was asked to send to Vi any suggestions for possible presenters.

c. **Recording of Orientation:** This is being postponed until the Independent Facilitator training recordings are complete. The orientation powerpoint will need to be reviewed to see if the information is still current.

d. **Requests for Proposals – Website and Newsletter:** The RFP is still open.

**Agenda Item: Discussion of Ideas for Next Round of Funding**
Postponed to next meeting to allow time for discussion.

**Agenda Item: Input on Future Agenda Items**
- Discussion of ideas for next round of funding
- Updates on state budget and information on advocacy that may be needed

**Agenda Item: Public Comment and Announcements**
A selectee reported that she thought she was moving toward self-determination, but the process has stalled. Ronke will follow up.

Information was shared about a professional Statewide network of independent facilitators with approximately 250 members. It is called the Independent Facilitator Network and all are invited to join if interested.
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