



# SELF-DETERMINATION LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approved 6/6/2022

Date: Monday, April 4, 2022

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, Vi Ibarra, Arthur Lipscomb,

Dianne Millner, Neil Jacobson, Sandra Coss, Pei Wang, Morena Grimaldi, Pamela Baird, Jocelyn Manalac

Committee Members Absent: None

**Committee Administrative Assistant:** Sam Coston *RCEB Staff Present:* Lisa Kleinbub, Ronke Sodipo

SCDD Staff Present: Sheraden Nicholau

*Guests*: Will Sanford, Martha Knobler, Nina Spiegleman, Veronica Poon, Sabrina Kappe Ramos, Melissa Robinson, Christine Kantor, Jessica Walters, Lucy Navarro, Paula Senigar, Mark Polit, Helen Reese, Christine Kantor, Peter Kangas, Anne Chen, Rossana Ali, Wandra Boyd, Kanaka Kannan, Iris Baker, Kaushik Ch, Gail C., Uriel, Mariana, J. Yothi

### Agenda Item: Welcome, Chat Monitor and Introductions

Committee members and guests all introduced themselves. Sandra monitored the chat. Sam recorded the minutes. Lucy provided Spanish translation.

#### Agenda Item: Consent to the Minutes

M/S/C "The committee moves to approve the March 7, 2022 minutes as submitted" [Ibarra/Coss] Minutes passed unanimously

#### **Agenda Item: Reports from Co-Chairpersons**

Melissa noted this is her last meeting as Co-Chair, she is stepping down at the end of April. Melissa was thanked by the Co-Chair, other members and guests for her years of work as Co-Chairperson. Irene elaborated on the Guidepost and Exploration documents, which highlight components of SDP, available in both English and Spanish. RCEB wants to train staff on the documents before distribution to the public. Irene also mentioned two vacancies are open on the committee for individuals from Contra Costa County, preferably self-advocates or family members from Latinx and African American communities.

## **Agenda Item: Update from Regional Center**

As of the end of March, Ronke stated there were seven new transitions into SDP, for a total of 76. She gave the dates for the April orientations in English and in Spanish, which are held monthly. Neil questioned how many people are eligible for SDP. Lisa answered that there are approximately 20,000. There was discussion of the change in service rates, effective 4/1/2022 in the traditional service model and how SDP budgets will be updated. Ronke clarified that review of service rates would be done individually. RCEB is waiting for more guidance from DDS on how to do the adjustments in self-determination budgets.

### Agenda Item: Update on Use of Funds from DDS - Year 1

**Small Group Workshops:** Melissa stated that the small group workshops were well attended and concluded at the end of March. Anne Chen and Wandra Boyd spoke highly of the workshops, finding them to be informative and productive.

**Collaborative SDP Website:** Diane and Neil mentioned that the website committee has contacted TMM Enterprise Group to build the website. The collaborative website committee, composed of representatives from the 3 advisory committees, will guide and monitor as needed.

**Independent Facilitator Training Recording:** Sam stated that the recordings of the IF Training in English, Spanish and Simplified Chinese are posted. Vietnamese translation of the recording is upcoming. Supplemental documentation accompanying the languages is also upcoming.

**Person-Centered Plan Facilitator Training List:** Sam shared that a list of newly trained Person-Centered Plan Facilitators has been distributed.

**Newsletter:** Sam elaborated on the newsletter, which will feature interviews from those in the SDP. Review of draft is coming soon.

#### Agenda Item: Update on Use of Funds from DDS – Year 2

**Post Transition Support Groups:** The service agreements for Post-Transition Support Groups are being negotiated with the Care Parent Network.

**Advanced Independent Facilitator Training or Mentorship:** There was discussion in the workgroup about how to carry out our year 2 funded project to support newly trained independent facilitators. DDS funds a statewide advanced training which we want to encourage IF's to take.

**Short-Term Coaching:** Service agreements with two coaching groups are being finalized.

#### Agenda Item: Use of Funds from DDS - Year 3

The survey workgroup met for discussion. The survey will be gauging the experience of individuals going through the transition process into SDP since its roll out in July 2021, using the format from last year, with additional questions included. Additional ideas that were discussed included using automation to help guide individuals and

case managers through the process of SDP. Several committee members and guests volunteered to discuss this idea further before the next meeting of this SDLAC.

## **Agenda Item: Public Comment and Announcements**

Vi mentioned that the Autism Star Conference is on April 9, via Zoom.

# Agenda Item: Input on Future Agenda Items

The idea of automation of some aspects of SDP will be discussed further.

2022 Meetings
May 2
June 6
July 11
August 1
September 12
October 3
November 7
December 5