

SELF-DETERMINATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

May 25, 2016

Present

Peter Mendoza, Chair

Jennifer Walsh, Vice-Chair

Eric Zigman, Executive Director, GGRC

Lisa Rosene, Chief, Regional Center Services, GGRC

Wesley Moss, Team Member

Elizabeth Grigsby, Consumer Rights Advocate, GGRC

Janeiro Golson, Job Coach to Elizabeth Grigsby

Pilar Gonzales, Clients' Rights Advocate, OCRA

Lili Byers, Parent Advocate

Connie Johnson, Parent Advocate

Angie Foster, Parent Advocate

Introductions were made. Call to meeting at 1:45pm. Conference Call line opened. Peter utilized iPad as a way to communicate to the conference call line.

Minutes and Agenda Approved

Wes motions, Pilar seconds.

Chair's Report

DDS Self Determination work group meeting amended and re-posted for 30 days and still answering questions from CMS.

There has been informal discussion with CMS and all committees continue to work together and State Council is still working with DDS. The goal is to get everyone on the same page, and particularly with process issues.

State Council will bump up support of committees and has spent much time discussing finger-printing and being cleared for licensing and related matters.

Statewide meetings coincide with SDAC meetings so Peter will determine the ongoing scheduling of the Statewide meetings to determine whether or not to change the date and time of future SDAC meetings.

Sharon Nicholau is replacing Gabriel Rogin as State Council Bay Area Branch Manager starting June 6, 2016.

Eric Zigman is in his third week as GGRC Executive Director. He has worked in the field for 27 years within the Regional Center system and other organizations. His involvement has included the Agnews Developmental Center Project, and most recently, he has served as the CEO of Pomeroy Center.

Recruitment and Outreach

Discussion regarding further drafts of the Self-Determination flyer. There was a consensus that the current wording in the flyer is acceptable. Decision was made to send out a flyer without image now and then vote on an image to add to the new flyer. It was agreed that other additional verbiage and other potential pictures for the flyer will be presented at the next meeting and a vote will be taken. Peter reported that non-profits and independent living centers are willing to post the Self-Determination flyer. There was a question as to whether or not Wes and Roya could work together outside of the committee's meetings. It was decided that they could as a "work group." Question also arose about whether or not "captioning" could be discussed within the "work group."

Regarding the conference scheduled in San Jose, Roya is working on determining whether or not live streaming can be arranged for it. She reported that it would cost about \$10K - \$15K to stream three sessions. Since a webinar is available, this conference can be a bigger event and those who are not able to make it in person can participate via webinar. Interpreters will be required. Captioning will be required. Question regarding whether collaboration with other Regional Centers would allow for the conference to be a free event. Jennifer added to the work group.

Discussion regarding organizing a conference in San Francisco. It was decided that this topic would be on next month's agenda

Old Business

None.

Public Comment

None.

New Business

Bagley Keene Act requirements were discussed; specifically committee wants clarification as to whether or not members are allowed to receive emails as long as members do not respond. If a member wants to discuss meeting: 1) It cannot not be done via email; 2) It cannot be before the actual meeting; and 3) No decisions can be made outside of the actual meeting.

Wes provided update on how FMS will be paid for which will be monthly payments. The cheapest is \$45 per month and determinations continue on the other two models.

Discussion regarding the scope of work regarding this committee was deferred to next month so that a representative from State Council could participate.

Discussion regarding the need for more technical support to best move forward with the SDP. Elizabeth asked for information about what will be done after the SDP begins. Lisa reported that GGRC will have 72 participants in two years and suggested that meetings could be held to discuss what is or isn't working.

Reported that State Council sent out a letter to the Regional Centers stating there was resistance about Regional Centers against Self-Determination Advisory Committees based on complaints received by DDS and the SDP about Regional Centers.

Peter will send link to obtain updates from DDS. Email for updates is SDP@dds.ca.gov.

Lisa reminded that, currently, the conference room at SFCD is scheduled ongoing for this committee's meetings and brought up issue of whether or not committee wants to rotate locations of meetings. Other possible locations were discussed; this matter will be addressed again once the committee work ramps up.

Announcements

Peter confirmed that the Advisory Committee chairs statewide will be meeting next month and will provide a general announcement when a date is confirmed.

Agenda for Next Meeting

- Approve Agenda and Minutes
- Public Comment
- Recruitment and Outreach
- Updates from Regional Center
 - Organizing a conference in San Francisco
- New Business
 - Scope of work of committee
- Adjourn

Next Meeting

June 22, 2016 – 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm

Submitted by Angie Foster