

Self-Determination Local Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
Friday, June 18, 2021
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

Recorder: Sedona B.

Zoom Meeting

Present:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS (*=*Appointed By*): Kristy Tanguay (SCDD*), Frank Van Curen (SCDD*), Pam Jensen (SCDD*), Robert Miland Taylor (RCRC*)

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE COMMITTEE: Mary Block (RCRC), Sheila Keys (RCRC), Cindy Gillam Sullivan (RCRC), Sedona Bowser (RCRC), Julie Eby-McKenzie (SCDD)

COMMUNITY MEMBERS: Breeanne Burris (Community), Jennifer Garcia (RCRC), Melissa Robinson (DDS), Nicole Hugelshofer (RCRC), Sherry Erickson (Community)

Absent Committee Members: Kara Ponton (RCRC*), Clifford Black (CRA)

Common Abbreviations:

SDP (Self-Determination Program), **SDAC** (Self-Determination Advisory Committee), **RCRC** (Redwood Coast Regional Center), **DDS** (Department of Developmental Services), **SSDAC** (Statewide Self-Determination Advisory Committee), **SCDD** (State Council on Developmental Disabilities), **RC** (Regional Center), **SC** (Service Coordinator), **FMS** (Financial Management Services), **IF** (Independent Facilitator), **PCT** (Person Centered Training), **CRA** (Client Rights Advocate), **DVU** (Disability Voices United)

Minutes:

1. **Welcome, Introductions, Roll Call, and Select a Timekeeper (Robert):**
 - a. Welcome first Federal holiday of Juneteenth.
 - b. Participants introduced themselves.
 - c. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.
 - d. Pam J was selected as Timekeeper.

2. **Review, Discussion and Approval of 05/21/2020 Minutes (Robert):**

Motion: Pam J. moves to accept the 05/21/2020 minutes with corrections.
Second: Frank VC.
Roll call vote:
Robert Taylor (Yes)
Pam Jensen (Yes)
Frank Van Curen (Yes)
Kristy Tanguay (Yes)
Motion PASSED

3. Update on May Action Items (Robert):
 - a. ACTION: Cindy will check with Jennifer Garcia to find out if she is currently reaching out to the remote areas about Self-Determination.
 - i. Cindy emailed Jennifer G. during the meeting. They met and Jennifer has pamphlets to distribute.
 - b. ACTION: Sheila will send out the trailer bill to the committee for their own review.
 - i. Sheila sent the trailer bill via email following the meeting on 05/21/21.
 - c. ACTION: Julie EM will send committee the name of the legislative person who is advocating for Self-Determination once she receives it.
 - i. Julie contacted SCDD Leg person, Bridget Kolakosky, then forwarded response to Sedona. Sedona forwarded response via email on 05/21/21.
4. Recruiting for Del Norte SDAC Vacant Position (Mary): Efforts have been made with providers and service coordination but no responses yet. We will resend information to Jennifer Garcia to include in her outreach efforts.
 - a. **ACTION: Sedona will check RCRC website to make sure SDAC recruitment post is still there.**
 - b. **ACTION: Sedona will resend SD Orientation meeting dates and SDAC recruitment flyer to Jennifer G.**
5. Update on Trailer Bill Language (Sheila): The trailer bill language is making changes to Self-Determination. The changes were passed by legislature last Friday. RCRC met with DDS to share our concerns and agreements to parts of the trailer bill language. Some language is vague so we don't know yet how things will look. Standards and facilitation for vendors may look different and we have to wait and see how that will be. There are some certification standards that we are waiting to see if they will impact IFs. Pam added that she was disappointed and frustrated with DDS for lack of consideration of this SDAC and RCRC input. Sheila shared that sentiment. It feels like a lot more work for FMSs, SCs and clients. Mary thanked those who attended the meeting with DDS to share their input. Mary is feeling hopeful that changes will not be too restrictive. Once guidelines are further identified there will be an opportunity for public input. Julie said we could also press this issue at the Statewide SDAC Meeting and she will work with Robert to craft this report and welcomes any input from the team via email to Julie and Robert. Mary also wanted to acknowledge Pam J. and the letter she wrote to our Assemblyperson and suggests using points in that letter with the report. Cindy also suggests sharing concerns and unique situations with generics in our rural communities at the monthly meetings that RCRC has with DDS. The Statewide SDAC Meeting is Tues, June 22nd from 10:00-3:30.
 - a. **ACTION: Julie EM will forward the link to the Statewide SDAC Meeting to the committee.**

6. DDS Funding to Support Implementation of SDP: Review Proposal to DDS for Funding to RFP (Sheila): At the May 21st SDAC meeting a proposal was shared. The State is taking over the orientation process but we may still be able to provide support to people trying to access Self-Determination information, focusing on meeting the needs of underserved people. We may need multiple entities to reach the outlying areas of the four counties. The actual Request for Proposal (RFP) will need to be a lot more detailed, but the proposal to DDS is what we are looking for in our suggested RFP. The information is due to DDS by the end of June and the RFP is planned as quickly as possible but needs to wait until the new bill changes are clearly identified.
 - a. **ACTION: Sub-committee will meet 6/28 at 3:30 to set outline of proposal to DDS.**
 - b. **ACTION: Sedona will post sub-committee meeting to RCRC website.**
 - c. **ACTION: Sheila will email the Committee the proposal prior to sending to DDS.**
7. State Council Report (Julie): Robert will be reporting to the Statewide SDAC meeting on Tuesday. He will include Pam's letter. Breeanne volunteered to talk with Robert this afternoon to help him prepare his report.
8. DDS/RCRC Update on SDP Participation Transition (Sheila/Sedona): No new orientations since the last meeting. There are four people interested once clarification from the State is identified. One person enrolled this month and two others are having budgets reviewed.
9. Recruitment of Independent Facilitators (Sheila): There hasn't been any change since last month.
10. Self-Determination Conversations Update (Sheila): We have a scheduled meeting on Thurs 6:24 at 3:00.
 - a. **ACTION: Sheila will email SD Conversations flyer on Monday.**
11. Resource sharing (Community):
 - a. Robert said the County of Mendocino website is showing a spike of Covid-19 cases and restrictions may be increased. Mary and Cindy reported that that RCRC is not hearing of any significant concerns at this time.
 - b. Robert also shared that there is a heat wave this weekend so please stay hydrated and in cool areas.
 - c. Julie shared a link for IFs to sign up so SD participants can find them. The link is <https://www.thecasdpnetwork.org/s4s/WhereILive/Council?pageld-1>.
 - d. Sheila shared that the trailer bill indicates that Spending Plans are requiring participants to use lowest cost provider available.

12. Meeting Recap (Action Items below):

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13. Adjourn the meeting (Robert): Meeting was adjourned at 11:31 a.m.

The next meeting is set for July 16, 2021.

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