**Self Determination Local Advisory Committee**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Friday, October 18, 2019**

**10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon**

Recorder: Sedona B. Crescent City/ Eureka/Lakeport/Ukiah/Ft. Bragg Video

Timekeeper: Pam J.

**Present:**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS (*\*=Appointed By)*: Pam Jensen (SCDD\*), Kara Ponton (RCRC\*), Ronald Piazza (RCRC\*)

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE COMMITTEE: Mary Block (RCRC), Sedona Bowser (RCRC), Denise Gorny (SCDD)

COMMUNITY MEMBERS: Debra Ponton (Facilitator), Frank Van Curen (SCDD), Tracy Fenyoe (Facilitator), Mayra Ochoa (RCRC), Sheila Keys (RCRC), Sherri DeSoto (RCRC), Sherry Erickson (Community), Valerie Johnson (Community), Nicole Hugelshofer (RCRC), Maia Giovannoli (RCRC), Tiina Purtonen (RCRC), Erin Moynahan (RCRC)

**Absent Committee Members:** Robert Miland Taylor (RCRC\*), Priscilla Ankrah (At-Large)

**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), **LCRA** (Local Client Rights Advocate)

**Minutes:**

1. Welcome, roll call, and select timekeeper – Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.
2. Review of 09/20/19 Minutes

Motion Pam J. moves to accept the 09/20/19 minutes with corrections.

Second: Ronald P.

Roll call vote:

Pam Jensen (Yes) Kara Ponton (Yes) Ronald Piazza (Yes)

Motion PASSED

1. Community Input – Participants introduced themselves.
2. SCDD Recruitment for SDAC Vacancies (Denise):
   1. Frank Van Curen from Ft. Bragg has been chosen and will be voted in at the 11/6 SCDD meeting.
   2. SCDD is continuing to recruit to fill the final vacancy and will ask at the town meetings.
3. DDS & RCRC SDP Newsletters (Mary):
   1. DDS (9/13)
      1. RCRC will be funding the initial PCP for non-vendored providers.
      2. Question of the Day – If a participant does not have an FMS Agency the Person Centered Planning Services can assist in developing the first spending plan.
   2. DDS (9/27)
      1. Camp and social recreational services cannot be included in the calculation of the individual budget (which is determined by previous 12 months of services to meet their needs) but can be included in the spending plan (where the money is spent).
      2. There is not a cap on the budget, but it is based on the expenditure history and needs of each individual and cannot exceed the amount that services would have cost if the individual was not on SDP.
   3. DDS (10/11)
      1. For all selected participants of the SDP individuals must complete their SDP orientation by Nov 15, 2019 or they will not be able to continue with the SDP at this time, but may enroll in the future.
         1. Sheila – We still have 8 who need to attend an orientation but we have struggled to make contact.
      2. The SDP will be open statewide on July 7, 2021 to all eligible clients of the regional center, ages 3 and older.
         1. Valerie – Is SDP going to be mandatory?
            1. Mary – No, SDP is voluntary.
         2. Nicole – Will orientation still be required?
            1. Mary – Yes, it is important information to know before deciding to do the SDP.
         3. Valerie – An observation, but the IFs need better education and recruitment.
            1. Sheila – Now is a good time for any interested people to watch the Informational video.
4. State Council Report (Denise):
   1. We are doing a lot of safety trainings.
   2. There will be forums in Nov for each county to talk about the new 5 year State Plan.
   3. SCDD is hosting a Halloween party at the Alex Rorabaugh Recreation Center in Ukiah.

**ACTION: Denise will forward various flyers for all items above.**

* 1. Laura is really excited about some new ideas she has and will be meeting with Rick to discuss.
  2. Sept State Council Meeting Summary, reviewed by Kara.

**ACTION: Sedona to forward the summary to the committee.** (Done)

1. DDS/RCRC Update on SDP Participation Transition (Mary):
   1. RCRC is the first RC to have all Pilot participants enrolled.
      1. Sheila – There are a lot of people who still want to enroll.
   2. Mary – Jim Knight shared that there are available slots for each RC.
      1. First round: Gender, disability, location, age, diagnosis.
      2. Additional Focus: Number of participants per RC over age 42, siblings in SDP, SDAC members or family is a member, ethnicity of total population.
2. Resource sharing:
   1. PG&E Outages (Mary) – Lake County was well prepared. Cal Fresh offered possible food replacement to clients. SSI/SSP clients are also now eligible for Cal Fresh.
   2. Valerie – Gov. Newsom signed a bill prohibiting discrimination due to source of income (ie Section 8) so landlords can no longer refuse to accept applications from people with Section 8. People need to speak up when denied due to being on Section 8.
   3. Pam – Has there been any progress on a Meet & Greet event?
      1. Mary – Not at this time but will follow-up on it.

**ACTION: Mary to follow up on a possible Meet & Greet event for RCRC.**

* 1. Pam – Open Future Learning shows a picture of a young man…message is being included doesn’t just mean going on an outing.

1. Meeting Recap (Action Items below) –
   1. **ACTION: Denise will forward various flyers for safety trainings, 5 year State Plan forums and Halloween party.**
   2. **ACTION: Sedona to forward the Sept State Council Meeting Summary to the committee.** (Done)
   3. **ACTION: Mary to follow up on a possible Meet & Greet event for RCRC.**
2. Adjourn the meeting – Meeting was adjourned at 11:06.
3. **The next meeting is set for Nov 15th.**

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