



**SELF-DETERMINATION LOCAL ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MINUTES
Approved 5/2/16**

Date: Monday, April 4, 2016

Start Time: 7:10 pm **End Time:** 8:30 pm

Location of This Meeting: Regional Center of the East Bay/Concord

Location of the Next Meeting: RCEB/San Leandro

CMS Letter: <http://www.dds.ca.gov/sdp/docs/122115Letter.pdf>

DDS' Website on SD updates: <http://www.dds.ca.gov/sdp/SDPUpdates.cfm>

Path Facilitation: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zKx1G879Xu8>

ATTENDEES:

Committee Members Present: Pamela Baird, Morena Grimaldi, Vi Ibarra, Irene Litherland, Dianne Millner (via phone), Nickole Bouslog

Committee Members Absent: Maria Marquez, Esther Chow, Arthur Lipscomb, Kim Luqman

RCEB Staff Present: Jim Burton

SCDD, Bay Area Staff Present: Gabriel Rogin

Guests: Danon Jenkins, Mark Polit

Welcome and Introductions

Chairperson Vi Ibarra chaired this 10th meeting at RCEB's Concord office. Attendees were greeted and self-introductions were made.

Agenda Item: Consent to the Minutes

M/S/C "The committee moves to approve the March 7, 2016 Minutes as presented"
[Bouslog/Grimaldi] Unanimous

Announcements: Pamela Baird was the note taker of this meeting.

Agenda Item: Updates from DDS Self-Determination Program Workgroup Meeting

Jim Burton reported that he attended the Workgroup's phone conference on March 29, 2016. He reports that progress is still moving forward, albeit slowly. The Settings Rule remains a large issue and sticking point. No broad conversations are happening around this issue. Committee member Baird asked how the Committee could help get these conversations going. Jim replied

we are in need of better information from the Federal Government and the State – not much we can do at this point in time. Committee member Litherland suggested we look at other states and how we could learn from their experiences. Jim was uncertain if the State had submitted answers to the CMS questions. Committee member Grimaldi emphasized the need for families and self-advocates to hear about this pilot project and the concept of Self-Determination sooner rather than later, and repeatedly. (More discussion took place on this topic with agenda item VI.) Guest Rogin offered assistance with any incremental steps we can take while waiting for leadership to move forward. Guest Polit commented on the Settings Rule issue – it will be a more inclusive model but as family advocates and self-advocates we must consider how it will satisfy individuals with disabilities, not just satisfy the Feds.

Agenda Item: Update on Training Modules from DDS

Committee Chair Ibarra reported the training videos are now available in 13 captioned languages, with three of those available in spoken voice-over languages. Jim Burton reported the Regional Center training modules are **almost** done. RCEB will be the training site for other Regional Center staff. Their training videos may be good for families as well.

Agenda Item: Coordinating Outreach to the Community

The Committee discussed, and agreed upon, the need for a one-page flyer to be created and to begin distributing at various events as soon as possible. Committee Chair Ibarra asked all members to record their pertinent affiliations and their comfort level with various tasks related to outreach (creating materials, presenting, maintaining database, etc.) on a form she passed around. She will email that form to those Committee members not present. Ibarra will create a one-page flyer from the various flyers that have been created by other groups and send out to all members for feedback. A Spanish version will also be needed. Guest Rogin offered the Council’s assistance with the creation of outreach materials (i.e., color copying, proofing/editing docs, etc.). Jim Burton reported that RCEB will be hiring a new staff member specifically for training purposes. Going forward, Ronke Sodipo will be attending these meetings. Although RCEB is short on administrative staff at the moment, Jim Burton offered assistance with creating flyers and with identifying community meetings/opportunities for presentations and/or trainings on Self-Determination. Guest Rogin suggested encouraging more self-advocates to join us in our outreach efforts by co-presenting with us when able. The DDS website has numerous links and resources. Future meetings will include a standing agenda item for members to share what types of outreach has been done, and identify upcoming opportunities.

Agenda Item: Public Comment

Guest Rogin complimented Chair Vi Ibarra on a great job representing us at the state-wide conference in March.

FUTURE 2016 MEETINGS

DATES	LOCATION	TENTATIVE SUBJECTS
✓ January 4	San Leandro	Independent Facilitator Presentation
✓ February 1	Concord	Outreach

- ✓ March 7 **San Leandro**
- ✓ April 4 Concord
- **May 2** **San Leandro**
- June 6 Concord
- July 11 **San Leandro**
- August 1 Concord
- September 12 **San Leandro**
- October 3 Concord
- November 7 **San Leandro**
- December 5 Concord

State Advisory Mtg Update (1st mtg of Chairs)
Training Materials/Outreach Opportunities