



North Bay Regional Center

Special Self-Determination Advisory Committee Meeting

February 13, 2023

12:30 – 1:30 pm

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER	12:40 p.m. by Lisa Hooks A quorum was established
A. Introductions	Introductions:
B. Establish Quorum	<u>Committee</u> Ross Long, Self-Advocate Yulahlia Hernandez, DRC Sonia Jones, Self-Advocate
	<u>Community</u> Gabriel Rogin, ED NBRC Shonetrice Smith, PCC NBRC Stephany Chavez, PCC NBRC Jesus Rosales, PCC NBRC Katie Gallagher, SDP Specialist NBRC Julie LaRose, Education Spectrum Lisa Hooks, SCDD Theresa Scripps – Parent of client Lilia V – Parent of client Corinne Sixkiller, DDS Santiago Villalobos – Education Spectrum Aimee A – Interpreter Stacey Martinez, Arc Solano Triny Lopez – Interpreter Naomi Hagel, Education Spectrum

<p>NBRC Update Katie filling in for Beth</p>	<p>Katie and Beth have met for the proposal for SDP funds for 2023. It was discussed to try and make the transition into SDP smoother and increase diversity outreach. Outlined is the proposal.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Extension of Education Spectrum through June 30, 2023. Beth has allocated \$15,000 for this service. These funds will aid in coaching, clarifying SDP especially the difference between a budget and Spending plan, and have a smooth transition plan for clients interested in Education Spectrum. 2. NBRC requesting proposals for Independent Facilitators. The cost for this service is \$10,500 total or \$1,500 per candidate. NBRC has recognized our area does not have any IF's. NBRC has one Person-Centered Planner hoping will become a vendored IF for NBRC. All clients are currently having to utilize out of network IF's that are vendored with other RC's. It would be nice to have local IF's that know our counties and the services available to clients outside of the Regional Center. NBRC has put in an RFP with the Resource Development Department and starting outreach to have more IFs apply. 3. Request for a proposal to increase diversity and outreach to underserved communities. The estimated cost is \$15,000. When the SDP at NBRC was looking at their current numbers most of their clients have documented to be white. NBRC SDP would like this program to reach all communities, so everyone is aware that SDP is available to anyone regardless of their race. Currently, NBRC SDP is partnering with the NBRC Diversity and Outreach Case Management unit; however, there will be more benefit reaching out to the community. 4. Translation for SDAC meetings and other events for one year. The estimated cost is \$1,500. This is to ensure everyone who attends understands in their own language. 5. Miscellaneous and administrative supplies. This includes flyers, postcards, gift cards/incentives. The estimated cost is \$1,000. This will aide in expanding and having the word out for SDP. 6. SDP Resource fairs in each county Solano/Napa and Sonoma. The estimated cost is \$5,000 per event. A total of \$10,000 to increase outreach and foster inclusive environment in person. <p>Total \$53,000</p> <p>Yulahlia: "Katie what is the total budget we have now?"</p> <p>Katie: "When Beth and I talked it was about \$53,000 and some odd cents. SO pretty much our proposal maxes out that amount.</p> <p>Yulahlia: "Ok, so the \$53,000 its probably some from this year and for next year. Do you know how it is broken down?"</p> <p>Katie: "Unfortunately, Beth could not be with us today, so I don't know the exact amount. I do know some was left over from this last fiscal year, but I am not too sure how much of that is within this new budget total. I can ask for clarification from Beth."</p> <p>Lisa asks Sonia if she has any questions regarding how the \$53,000 will be spent. Sonia asks what type of programs SDP would put on or what is the team planning to do. Katie responds that with the Diversity and Outreach proposal, Beth's main goal for that one is</p>
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	<p>reaching out to local vendors and resources that have diverse groups of our clients. Beth mentioned to Katie regarding Parents Can and to collaborate more with NBRC Diversity and Outreach department. Sonia had a follow up question regarding the fairs. Katie responded her and Beth discussed Beth had previously held SDP fairs which were successful. These fairs will include local vendors that are open to SDP and can explain how they enjoy SDP. Hopefully, Independent Facilitators are able to join the fairs as well.</p> <p>Theresa: She was on the statewide community event last week and learned that the budget proposal is aligned with the statewide concerns. In the event, DDS was addressing the concern for Independent Facilitators and having a list of resources. For the Diversity component, it was very important for everyone on the call. Another thing that came up was the FMS issue. Katie responded it is unfortunate the long waitlist, but NBRC is trying on their side by having all the documents needed asap approved and with signatures. She mentioned one of the FMS's stated their May waiting list is now closed and possible start dates are being extended to June/July. Hopefully, the state can aide with the FMS's.</p> <p>Katie: One clarification to the budget proposal. Cathy from Education Spectrum is stepping down, so the extension of services that Education Spectrum was providing would now be under Naomi's agency Phoenix Facilitation.</p> <p>Ross: What kind of services are they currently offering?</p> <p>Katie: Education Spectrum was currently helping with coaching our clients transitioning into SDP. SDP department hopes with the extension they will continue coaching the clients they are currently working with and aid in a smooth transition plan for when they are no longer our coaches. Education Spectrum is providing support with clients who are having a difficult time understanding the process. They are setting up meetings with the consumers and clarifying the process. Along with this, they provide resources for clients.</p> <p>Katie asks for motion on the table for the approval of the SDAC funds. Ross makes motion to approve funding. Yulahlia seconds the motion. All in favor, Sonia votes yes. Yulahlia and ross are in favor, and it is unanimous. \$53,000 has been approved.</p>
Public Comments	Sonia is resigning from the committee. This will be her last attendance.
Announcements	Next meeting is March 13 ^h .
ADJOURNMENT	1:01 pm