



North Bay Regional Center

Self-Determination Advisory Committee Meeting

March 11th, 2024

12:30 – 2 pm

MINUTES

<p>CALL TO ORDER</p> <p>A. Introductions B. Establish Quorum</p>	<p>Introductions: <u>Committee</u></p> <p>Debby Hight, Parent, Co-Chair Theresa Scripps, Parent ileim Moss Committee Member Lilia V Committee Member Donald Ross Long Committee Member Yulahlia Hernandez, Disability Rights</p> <p><u>Community</u></p> <p>Gabriel Rogin, Executive Director Ellisa Reiff Supervisor SDP Janelle Santana Executive Assistant Paula Garcia, PCC NBRC Shonetrice Smith, PCC NBRC Stephany Chavez, PCC NBRC Jesus Rosales, PCC NBRC Naomi Hagel, Phoenix Facilitation Julie LaRose, Path-Forward Facilitation Lisa Hooks, SCDD Heather Crocker Independent Facilitator with Alift Chris Aguirre DDS Rhiannon Morsh, Independent Facilitator Tanya Hernandez, Field Service Rep. with GTI Kristina Grubbs Amber, Spanish Interpreter Nicole, ASL Interpreter</p>
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	<p>Debra Jorgensen, Guidelight Group</p> <p>Quorum met at 12:41</p>
Public Comments	<p>Lilia asked how can someone attend the state emergency training. Lisa Hooks announced that the state council training will be posted- Lilia to get in contact with Lisa for the link.</p>
Chair Debby Hight	<p>No report.</p>
NBRC Update:	<p>Debby has asked the slides to be shared or included within the minutes. Ellisa states that the slides can be included with the minutes when they get sent out to members.</p> <p>Client data presented by Paula Garcia PCC. As of 03/01/2024 NBRC has 50 SDP Clients enrolled; two are shared with other Regional Centers, 48 are of NBRC. Enrollment has increased since the department has been fully staffed.</p> <p>Ellisa reports that there are new outreach events being planned. Work on creating email list fo FMS, IF, consumers, families... extending invites to community members. Making sure SDP continues to advertise online. SDP Team is working closely with Phoenix Facilitation to create 3 outreach events- Napa, Vacaville, Santa Rosa. Dates are TBD although they may happen sometime in June. Purpose of the event is to bring in businesses/vendors that will accept SDP dollars, whether they are vendorized with NBRC or not. IF's and FMS' will be present with their tables to outreach as well. Ellisa to speak with Vendor Advisory Committee to extend the invite as well. Volunteers will be needed during the event; information will be provided soon, please let us know if you or someone will be able to volunteer. ileim asked about the type of outreach events in place for our multicultural consumers along with how do we cater to our monolingual speakers- Ellisa answered that the purpose of the event is to have individuals come and learn of SDP, which is encompassing various communities we serve. Yulahlia mentioned that we can invite Matrix group, a Spanish speaking support group for family members and consumers.</p> <p>SDAC funds – the contract with Phoenix Facilitation is being considered for renewal after their contract ends in June. At the moment, there is \$51,856 left in funding for 22/23 ; will be used for outreach events.</p>
SCDD Update: Lisa Hooks	<p>Lisa emphasized the importance of parent groups. They are essential to cover the gap of miscommunication between Regional Centers and consumers. Encouraged the committee to have a stronger presence in those groups to tackle the obstacles.</p> <p>Lisa then states that IF training does not need a certification to provide services. They can take whichever training they decide to provide services although they must be vendored with the RC for payment reimbursement.</p>

	<p>The issue of delayed payment to direct service providers is ongoing. Families state that employees quit due to lack of payment- the state is figuring out how to handle this issue. The many topics include; lack of standardization with Regional Centers, FMS invoice payouts, wait lists w/ FMS', training and technology, rate changes and spending plan changes, translation supports, and background checks.</p>
Phoenix Facilitation – Naomi Hagel & Julie LaRose	<p>Naomi and Julie are excited for the outreach events. They have planned staff training as well. They are meeting weekly with Ellisa to brainstorm ideas on how to expand SDP along with any internal challenges.</p>
Old Business	N/A
New Business	N/A
Public Comments	<p>Rhiannon (IF) expressed her experience in working with SDP Team. It has been a smooth transition.</p> <p>Carin states that there is a difference with Ellisa on the team. Happy to see her onboard to lead the department.</p>
Agenda Items for future meetings	N/A
Announcements	N/A
ADJOURNMENT	Adjourned at 1:45 PM