



## North Bay Regional Center

# Self-Determination Advisory Committee Meeting

**November 8, 2021  
12:30 – 2 pm**

## MINUTES

<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>	Debby Hight at 12:32 p.m.  <u>Committee</u> Debby Hight Candice Chia Yulahlia Hernandez Gail Thompson Sonia Jones  <u>Community</u> Gabriel Rogin Beth DeWitt Valerie Bane Carrie Schweizer Stacey Martinez Maxine Paula Milam Lisa Hooks Ross Long Tobias Weare Marylou Hillberg Christina, Aveanna Healthcare  Quorum established
<b>CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA</b>	None

<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES:</b>	M/S/C: Hight, Hernandez, Thompson - approved
<b>PUBLIC COMMENTS:</b>	None
<b>REPORTS</b>	
A. Co-Chair Report: Debby Hight and Jerry Corradi	Debby Hight commented, that she has been listening to Chris Arroyo from Southern California giving an interpretation of self determination law. The information is enlightening on the program and how its structured. There is a self determination forum page on Facebook.
B. NBRC Updates: Valerie Bane	<p>There are 13 participants in the SD program and three of them are on year two. Orientations are offered twice a month, always on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month from 10 to noon. There are between 5 and 12 people that come on each Friday. There is a Spanish language interpreter. The next orientation is on November 19th and can be accessed on the SD program page of the NBRC website. All of the service coordinators have completed the initial fundamental training. They all meet monthly and go over the participants' progress and troubleshoot any barriers that come up, especially to make sure they understand how to accurately complete both the individual budget and the spending plan.</p> <p>There is a new position with DDS called the SDP Ombudsperson, a statewide advocate for SDP. The interim person is Katie Hornberger. She comes from Disability Rights California. Discuss if this group would like her to speak regarding the role of the Ombudsperson and how that can support SDP participants.</p> <p>Valerie is now on the agenda for the vendor advisory committee meetings and can provide updates and plans to share a presentation on SDP.</p> <p>Debby Hight stated, her current providers haven't had any experience with self determination and they're leery because they don't know how they'll get paid and don't understand it.</p> <p>Beth Dewitt commented, NBRC did a training for vendors about a year ago and Isabel Calder, our CFO did a presentation on what it means to be a provider in self determination, what the billing looks like, and how the system works. It might be helpful to have her come</p>

C. SCDD Report: Lisa Hooks	<p>to our next meeting and have her do a brief summary of the presentation and the committee can ask questions.</p> <p>There is a statewide meeting November 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 and she encourages everybody to attend. Katie Hornberger will be there to introduce herself and there's supposed to be a q&amp;a and update from DDS.</p> <p>Lisa Hooks commented, there are new things coming for State Council regarding the role for SD advisory committees and SD program. Lisa would like to discuss whether or not this committee wants to provide funds to the statewide committee for increasing the amount of in person meetings from 2 to 4. They are asking for \$3,000 per committee.</p> <p>Debby Hight commented, she thinks we should put some money aside just in case this comes up.</p> <p>State Council along with Department of Public Health is working with individuals in rural areas who are in need of COVID testing supplies at home for caretakers.</p>
<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>	<p>Resource Navigator:</p> <p>The request for proposal has to be publicly shared and shared on our website, and it has to be announced on a certain day. There is a deadline for submitting a proposal and there's a date for interviews, and a date when they will be notified if they have been selected and then a date to begin providing support.</p> <p>Beth DeWitt stated, she would like to defer this to the Director of Community Services, Courtney Singleton, because the RFPs come out of her department.</p> <p>The original position was more of an enrollment coach, where this is someone who is very knowledgeable about the program and can answer questions, serve as a resource, and give presentations in the community.</p> <p>Debby Hight motioned to create a subcommittee and once the scope of work is defined they will put the RFP in action. Yulahlia Hernandez second. Motion passed.</p>

	The finance committee will be Debby Hight, Candice Chia, Beth DeWitt.
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	<p>Revise meeting format:</p> <p>Discussed adding a presentation to the regular business meeting. Maybe the SDP second year participants would like to attend the committee meeting and tell what their experience has been and how they navigated joining the program. And maybe we could ask their permission if it could be recorded so that we could keep it on our website so people could refer to it. Discussed possibly changing the meeting time. The evenings are difficult for those who providers to help and public transportation does not run after a certain time.</p> <p>Membership applications:</p> <p>There are 2 applications Daphne and Ross. Let's have them introduce themselves and tell us a little bit about themselves. Then we'll go to closed session.</p> <p>Ross Long stated that he lives independently with supported living and he's been an advocate for over 25 years for different agencies for people with developmental disabilities and he feels he can bring a different perspective.</p> <p>Daphne was not in attendance.</p>
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA</b>	
<b>AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS</b>	None
<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>	None
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	2:17 pm