



Golden Gate Regional Center
Self-Determination Local Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
Meeting Date: Tuesday, March 8th, 2022 3:45pm-5:30pm
VIA ZOOM CONFERENCING

SDLAC MEMBERS PRESENT: Sascha Bittner
Jennifer Walsh
Christine Kantor
Alyson Sinclair
Alex Gastelum
Elizabeth Grigsby
Connie Johnson

MEMBER ABSENT: None

GGRC ADVISOR STAFF: Eric Zigman
Lisa Rosene
Noelia Corzo
Israel Picardo
Anh Nguyen
Aria Alokozai (Recording Secretary)

OTHER PRESENTERS/GUESTS: Will Sanford
Maxine Paula Milam
Sabrina Kappe Ramos
Erika Gonzalez
Brooke Schreier Ganz
Tim Park
Joe Hernandez

Welcome/Call to order (Bittner and All)

- Intro/Opening Round

ACTION Record of February 8th, 2022 Meeting
The Record of Meeting of February 8th, 2022 was approved.
M/S/C (Elizabeth Grigsby motioned/ Alex Gastelum seconded)

Participant/Family of participant/Public Feedback on SDP

Brook Schreier Ganz, member of public, commented about raising more awareness about Self-Determination Program among the people served by GGRC.

SCDD Update

Joe Hernandez shared the latest updates with the contract that the state council has with DDS in regards to statewide orientation. Joe shared that SCDD is waiting to hear back from DDS and that the latest draft includes public comments.

Disability Rights California

Alex had no updates.

GGRC Updates

Lisa Rosene announced that all changes that were requested at the last meeting about the self-determination information on GGRC website have been made and the website is up-to-date with the help of Israel Picardo.

Lisa also shared that as of January we have 17 people certified budget and 13 of them are in full SDP and 5 different budgets are currently being worked on. Lisa added that the Fiscal Management Services are having difficulty with influx of people which becomes a point of slowdown in terms of the number people they can onboard to the program at a time.

Eric Zigman announced that a third position has been on-boarded in the Fiscal Department for SDP.

Q & A followed.

Statewide Updates, Statewide meeting, Explanation of new Directives

Sascha Bittner shared her report on statewide committee and added that the committee discussed with regards to self-determination, FMS issues, and other issues around that.

Introduction of Anh Nguyen as Communications Person for our Committee

Sascha introduced Anh Nguyen, the new SDLAC Communication/Administrative Assistant.

Anh Nguyen shared her report on creating a separate page for SDLA committee that provides detailed information and history including legal law on SDP, information on who is eligibility for the program, information on the committee, SDP step-to-step flow chart, feature, and testimonials videos, and resources.

Anh also shared that about her discussion with the Co-Chairs Sashca and Jennifer on beginning communication with the current participants, maintaining regular contact, sharing resources, and encouraging them to participate in the committee meetings and share feedback or ask questions.

DDS Funds for SDP

Spending Plan Update

Eric Zigman reported the current Self-Determination program spending plan, year two and three budgets and dates for spending the budget. Eric suggested establishing a sub-committee to discuss the SDP budget.

Q & A followed

SDLAC Updates:

Bay Area Website Update:

Christine Kantor shared updates from SDLAC website sub-committee for the three regional centers; East bay, Golden Gate and San Andrea's regional centers. Christine shared that the committee finalized a position and job description for a Web Designer Content Moderator that the committee had decided on hiring. The position has been announced for a 12 month contract with potential for being extended. The committee has begun accepting applications (deadline March 18th).

Eric shared about his work on a plan on how the SDLAC budget will be given to an FMS who will then pay the contractor/ Web Designer Content Moderator.

Q & A followed.

NeuroNav Coaching

Sabrina Kappe shared the below updates on 4 NeuroNav projects for 2022 (9% completed):

- Coaching Cohorts: The curriculum has been designed for the coaching cohorts and people have begun to sign up.
- Drop in Coaching: Available in both English and Spanish every week.
- Eight week Transition Coaching: includes weekly small-group meetings, run by a certified IF, step-by-step support. Transition support: One-on-one targeted support for participants and their families, and social workers.
- Administration

The committee discussed and decided on having separate and specific NeuroNav Coaching flyers for GGRC participants to address the specific needs of GGRC individuals served.

Q and A followed.

Meeting adjourned to SDLAC meeting at 5:20PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Aria Alokzai
Executive Administrative Assistant