



Supporting Lives of Liberty and Opportunity

Self-Determination Local Advisory Committee Meeting Thursday, September 24, 2026 - 4:00pm-5:30pm

MEETING NOTICE/DRAFT AGENDA

Meeting is open to the public – all are welcome to attend

Join us on Zoom:

<https://ggrc.zoom.us/j/84530442100?pwd=Xlb88AERRyZXEgAead5QvgauPEl3A.1>

PLEASE NOTE

There will be a public comment period at the *beginning* of the meeting to provide guests an opportunity to address the committee.

****We honor confidentiality and you can make public comment anonymously.****

After the public comment period, the committee will be conducting business and will NOT be engaging with guests.

Questions can be submitted to through the “Chat” feature and will be recorded.

SDLAC Members:

Jennifer Walsh, (Self-Advocate) - Co-Chair
Ken Parekh (Parent Advocate) – Co-Chair
Sascha Bittner (Self-Advocate)
Elizabeth Grigsby (Self-Advocate)
Kristin Zlogar (OCRA-Attorney/Clients’ Rights Advocate)
Alyson Sinclair (Parent Advocate)
Christine Kantor (Parent Advocate)
Brenda Bachechi (Community Advocate/Provider)
Sandy Chin (Parent Advocate)
Barclay Lynn (Advocate)
Aparna Kommineni (Advocate)
Olga Maldonado (FRC Advocate)

Partners:

Greg Gonzalez, State Council on Developmental Disabilities

Chris Aguirre, Department of Developmental Services

Patricia Idrugo, FRC/FEC San Mateo County

Manager

GGRC Partners:

Eric Zigman (Executive Director)

Lisa Rosene

Juliet Esperanza (Supervising Social Worker, SDP)

Meghan Reynard

Janika Jamarillo (Participant Choice Specialist, SDP)

Lop Hou (Chief Financial Officer)

Laura Parks (Recording Secretary)

Guests:

- I. Welcome/Call to order (Walsh) (10 minutes)
 - a. Roll call ()
 - i. Guest introductions are optional
 - b. Approval of Agenda (Walsh)
 - c. Approval of Minutes (Walsh/All)
- II. Funding to Support Implementation of the Self-Determination Program (Lop Hou) (5 minutes)
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT (20 minutes)
 - a. Comments are limited to FOUR minutes per speaker on items not on the agenda, 20 minutes total.
 - b. We welcome critiques and feedback but ask speakers refrain from personal attacks on individuals or the committee.
 - c. The committee will not be responding to comments but may address them further down in the agenda or in future agenda items.
- IV. GGRC SDP Team Update (Esperanza) – (10 minutes)
- V. Discussion and review of SDLAC Committee Centered Plan (Parekh) – (10 minutes)

- VI. Update on IF Capacity building programs and SDP Onboarding/Resource Fairs – (Brenda and Ken) – (10 minutes)
- VII. SCDD Update (Gonzalez) – (5 minutes)
- VIII. GGRC Updates (Zigman) – (5 minutes)
- IX. Disability Rights California Update (OCRA) – (5 minutes)
- X. Adjourn

Next Meeting: Thursday October 22nd, 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM

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