1. **Call to Order & Introductions**

The meeting was called to order by Richard Dier at 7:12 p.m. A quorum was present. Introductions from the Committee were made.

2. **Public Input & Comments**

There was no public input.

3. **Consent Items**

A. **Approval of Agenda as presented (Sandra Baker was not present for the vote)**

M/S/A. (Saab, Jannol). All in favor.

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A. **Approval of Meeting Minutes from February 15, 2018 Meeting (Sandra Baker was not present for the vote):**

M/S/A. (Saab, Jannol) All in favor except those who abstained.

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4. **Committee Reports**

A. **Chair’s Report –Richard provided an update; at this week’s meeting of the Chairs of the SD Committees, they heard that the State submitted the waiver application to CMS. The clock is running now, and it is expected that it will be approved by the middle of June. Richard distributed some handouts from the meeting. The first is a list of the number of applicants for the SDP list, by Regional Center. The next handouts were breakdowns by disability type and by ethnicity. The methodology that DDS discussed was to select by ethnicity first. The chart shows a blue bar for the target percentage that DDS wants to see selected, and a green bar for the actual percentage of people who are on the interest list. In some cases, such as Hispanic**
and Black, they are underrepresented. After ethnicity, disability will be looked at, then
gender/age. There were breakout groups at the meeting of the Chairs. Many people felt that
there is a lot of infrastructure that needs to be built before we can get up and running. One of
those issues is the presence of an FMS. Richard was told that there is a maximum of $150 per
month for the FMS, which will preclude many agencies from wanting to be an FMS. Premier
Healthcare said that they believed a service could not refuse a referral. The other breakout
session Richard attended was on budget development. They still don’t know what will happen
when someone doesn’t have a full year’s worth of experience and therefore no annual budget.

The Stakeholders group meets next week to start talking more about implementation.

B. Board Actions – In Debra’s absence, Michelle reported that there were no Board actions that
needed to be taken after our last meeting.

5. NLACRC/DDS/Update

a. Sheila said that she spoke to Ruth Janka about NLACRC’s translation policy. The policy is
that all information provided to the public must be professionally translated.

Communications regarding Self Determination:
M/S/A. (Saab, Jannol) All in favor except those who abstained.

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Bebo asked about the telephone system, Everbridge. Sheila said that it is being piloted for
emergency purposes only. Bebo said that under the statutory obligation to reach out to
underserved communities, he asked that NLACRC formally consider using Everbridge or
other comparable systems to make announcements about meetings and trainings on Self
Determination.

b. Current interest list – Evelyn reported that there are now 205 interested participants from
NLACRC on our interest list. There still is not a lot of interest in the Antelope Valley.

c. Community Outreach report – Evelyn reported that she continues to do outreach in an effort
to make our list more diverse. She also hopes to get more people on our list as a result of the
Information meetings.

Self Determination Informational Meetings – We talked about reaching out to some areas in
Antelope Valley like Lake Los Angeles. We also talked about having a webinar.

Sheila reported on her conversation with someone from San Gabriel Pomona RC to ask about
their outreach. They have been making personal phone calls to invite people who are African
American, and they have been sending out information in multiple languages.
We compared the percentages of interested parties by ethnicity with the percentages by ethnicity in our catchment area. There is 43% Hispanic population, and only 23% on the interest list.

Discussion about whether and how SDP is discussed at the IPP, not just sending a flyer after the IPP meeting. Bebo asked whether there is a section of SANDIS that is used to document discussion about SDP; Sheila said she does not think so. We think the CSCs need give the SDP info at the meeting and make the referral to the SDP specialist and/or to the SDP Committee. Evelyn says she gets about 2 calls or emails per week.

6. **New Business**
   A. Officers
      i. Chair
      ii. Co-Chair
      iii. Secretary
   B. Future agenda planning –
      i. We did not have time to discuss this topic. Bebo suggested that we talk about this first at the next meeting.

7. **Public Comment**
   None.

8. **Adjournment**
   Meeting was adjourned by Richard at 9:08pm.

Submitted by Victoria Berrey, Secretary.