North Los Angeles County Regional Center  
Self Determination Local Volunteer Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
May 17, 2018

Present: Victoria Berrey, Richard Dier, Ellen Jannol, Cheryl Hendrickson, Jordan Feinstock, Bebo Saab – Committee Members  
Sheila Calove, Evelyn Chamorro – NLACRC Staff  
Julie Eby-McKenzie – State Council on Developmental Disabilities

Absent: Sandra Baker, Debra Newman Barnett, Allison Cameron Gray, Michelle Heid – Committee Members

1. Call to Order & Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Jordan Feinstock at 7:05 p.m. A quorum was present.

2. Public Input & Comments

There was no public input.

3. Consent Items

A. Approval of Agenda as presented:

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B. Approval of Meeting Minutes from April 19, 2018 Meeting as corrected (Julie said that Premier will be an FMS, but not necessarily the only FMS):

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4. Committee Reports

A. Chair’s Report – We welcomed Jordan as Chair. We reviewed the email from SCDD Chair April Lopez that discussed the current status of the self determination waiver. We are still anticipating approval in June.

B. Board Actions – There were no Board actions related to Self Determination recently.

5. NLACRC/DDS Update

a. DDS Update – Julie said that the clock is still running on the CMS approval of the waiver. She described a draft outline of the orientation that the Statewide SDP Workgroup developed. Copies were provided. Richard described a discussion about remote monitoring; CMS had concerns about its use. Julie said it may be added back in later. The FMS fee will be $50 to
$165 per month. There were concerns that this may be too low for intensive programs. DDS announced that all 2500 participants will be selected at the same time, and not in phases.

b. NLACRC update – Evelyn said that Allison Cameron Gray has formally resigned from the Committee. Sheila said they have had one NLACRC implementation committee meeting and another is scheduled for June. They have discussed hiring one CSC and thought that the participants would be phased in. Bebo expressed concern that they don’t have the case management plan figured out. They are developing processes and learning from other Regional Centers, looking at their forms, etc. Bebo asked to allocate some time at the next meeting to review forms and review these forms and processes. Richard asked if Committee members or consumers could be present at the Implementation meetings to provide input. He is also concerned that the Board representative may not be sharing information with the Board. He also suggested that the people on the interest list should be invited to and attending these Committee meetings. Cheryl asked if there is a top level plan that NLACRC has developed? Sheila said not yet. Cheryl also suggests that stakeholders from the community and this Committee should be involved. Julie said that her opinion is that the Committee’s job is not to micromanage, but to ensure that the Regional Center is making appropriate progress on implementation. Ellen asked if this Committee should come up a document for people who are selected with suggested next steps, what to expect, things to think about.

c. Current Interest List – the list was distributed. There are 216 on NLACRC’s list now.

d. Community Outreach Report – there is a flyer that CSCs are taking out to all IPPs and it has resulted in a lot more interest. If someone expresses interest in SDP, it should be noted in the Home section.

e. Self Determination Informational Meetings – Evelyn distributed the list of Self Determination Informational Meetings. There are 3 meetings each month. Evelyn looked into renting rooms in Littlerock and Los Angeles and found that the libraries are not big enough. She also reached out to a school but hit roadblocks. We would like to know how many consumers live in those areas. Richard asked to have the ethnic breakdown side by side with the list of people on NLACRC interest list.

f. Update on FMS - Premier has expressed interest in being vendored as the FMS for the entire state. Victoria heard that Premier is going to be bought out by another company.

6. Committee Business

A. Transportation – Sheila said that the request for transportation for the Committee members was not approved because the Self Determination Committee does not have a budget. Bebo suggested that it could be part of the IPP or a reasonable accommodation to participate on the Committee. Richard suggested that the Board assign a budget to the Committee. Jordan also has to use his SLS hours for meetings. Julie suggested that DDS should give Self Determination Committees a budget. Richard moves that we ask NLACRC to establish a budget for SDP Committee to allow for transportation. Bebo seconds. Unanimous.

   i. NLACRC shall establish a budget for their Self Determination Advisory Committee to allow for transportation for the members who require it in order to attend:
      M/S/A. (Dier, Saab) All in favor.

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   | Baker | Absent | Heid | Absent |
   | Berrey | Yes | Hendrickson | Yes |
   | Dier | Yes | Jannol | Yes |
B. Discuss future priorities and agenda items – at June’s meeting, we would like to get info from NLACRC on the progress of the Implementation Committee including forms, high level documentations, etc. Reference the chart from SCDD. Ellen asked that we work up something to answer “what’s next” from the end user perspective.

7. Public Comment
None.

8. Adjournment
Meeting was adjourned by Jordan at 8:55pm.

Submitted by Victoria Berrey, Secretary.