

North Los Angeles County Regional Center
Self-Determination Local Advisory Committee Meeting
Meeting Notes

September 20, 2018

Present: Jordan Feinstock, Michelle Hedi, Bebo Saab—Committee Members
Ruth Janka, Sheila Calove, Mandy Flower—NLACRC staff
Julie Eby-McKenzie—State Council on Developmental Disabilities

Guests: Marelene Lueck, Melissa Lander, and Alan Baxter

Absent: Sandra Baker, Victoria Berrey, Richard Dier, Ellen Jannol, Cheryl Hendrickson, Lillian Martinez

1. Call to Order & Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Jordan Feinstock at 7:05 p.m. in the Antelope Valley office. A quorum was not present. Introductions were made.

2. Public Input & Comments

Marlene Lueck— stated that she was trying to understand the structure of NLACRC's SDP implementation plan. Ruth reported that DDS will release names on Oct. 1, 2018 by demographics of each valley in NLACRC's catchment area. Currently, NLACRC still needed 2 African American consumers, 52 and older, to meet the demographic requirement. Ruth stated that NLACRC will have a full selection of slated slots for NLACRC. She added that DDS is finalizing the SDP orientation materials and is targeting 10-31-18 as its completion date. Ruth stated that FMS guidelines have not yet been received from DDS and once NLACRC receives them, the agency would begin implementing orientations. It was suggested by a guest that NLACRC begin scheduling orientation meetings and times in anticipation of the completed orientation materials. Marlene stated that she has been a part of developing the orientation materials. She asked that a recommendation be made by the committee for next month's meeting that a list of FMS providers, if available, be provided to the public. Ruth stated that DDS is still working on FMS guidelines. There was discussion about Independent Facilitator Training and whether or not NLACRC would be providing this training. Ruth stated that guidelines are not yet out and stated that NLACRC could provide training to Independent Facilitators. Bebo added that this would be an entrepreneurship endeavor for many. Julie mentioned that regional centers will have different expertise levels with regard to Independent Facilitators. Marlene stated it is important for an Independent Facilitator to know Person Centered Planning and how to do resource development. Julie stated that the Independent Facilitator can do what participant asks him/her to do, consumer sets the expectations. Bebo anticipates he will be getting calls; Julie stated that if selected, a participant should go to the Local Advisory Committee to provide input. Marlene spoke of 2nd roll out of "selection". Ruth asked who reported the new information she was reporting. Marlene stated it was Judy Marks. Ruth stated that Judy Marks is not a representative of DDS. Michelle stated that we need to be careful about what other RCs or parent advocates report because the source of the information should be DDS; She appreciates that NLACRC waits for the department to disseminate accurate information. Marlene stated that NLACRC is not proactive. Michelle disagreed and

shared all of NLACRC's efforts to be proactive (outreach, SDP meetings, posters, making sure participating in committee meetings, etc.)

3. Review of Bagley Keene Training materials/Q&A—postponed for next meeting
4. **Consent Items**—there was no quorum; there was a recommendation that by the next meeting NLACRC have tentative dates set for the SDP orientation
5. **Committee Reports**
 - a. Chair's Report—Jordan stated there was not much to report
 - b. Board Actions—there were no board actions to report
6. **NLACRC/DDS Implementation News**
 - a) DDS Implementation Update—Ruth reviewed DDS timelines with regard to provision of guidelines and selection process. Ruth announced all SDP job openings have been posted for Service Coordinator and Supervisor positions. The plan is to have a centralized unit with 3 SCs to start and a plan to hire on another three SCs. Ruth reported that NLACRC's SDP implementation workgroup continue to meet and are focused on looking at the intersection of departments specifically, case management, accounting, and community services and what manpower and procedures are needed. NLACRC is looking at ways to automate the process but DDS has not yet provided the technological support needed. Currently, NLACRC does not have any vendor interest for the FMS. Premiere is already vendored. Per Julie, if FMS is vendored with one RC, there will be a streamlined process so that other RCs can use this vendor. Bebo added that courtesy vendorization can be a long process; Bebo shared that Premiere trained them today and that they will maintain a 3-tiered process; Premiere reported that vendor rate is below \$200.
 - b) Current Interest List- 397 on the interest list
 - c) Community Outreach Report—Sheila reported that due to Mandy's outreach efforts, the interest list has nearly doubled. Sheila reported that Mandy conducted outreach with LAUSD and with various parent support groups and Mandy reported she also conducted outreach at the AV Transition Fair
 - d) Self-Determination Informational Meetings—to be determined
7. **Committee Business**
 - a. Update on new members—Sheila reported that the Consumer Services and Executive Committees have authorized for NLACRC to convene an interview panel for NLACRC's appointments of 2 members. It was decided that application process will be open through October, 19, 2018. Interviews will be held and recommendations to the board will be shared on Nov. 14, 2018 board meeting
 - b. Update on "how to prepare for Self Determination" handout from subcommittee—it was decided that since there was no quorum that members bring suggestions to the next meeting
 - c. Discussion about meeting location(s)—there was no quorum so no decision was made
 - d. Future agenda planning—there was no quorum so no decision was made
8. **Public Input & Comments**--none
9. **Meeting was adjourned at 8:41**

**Because there was no quorum, these meeting notes are provided for informational purposes.
Next Meeting: October 18 in Santa Clarita**