Self-Determination Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes – May 22, 2020

10:00 am-12:00pm

Members In Attendance: Tracey Flourie (FA), Joyce Clark (FA), Kim Rucker (SA), Debra Jorgensen (A), Karen Maier (SA), Horacio Correa, Jr (FA)

Ex-Officio Members present: Mary Ellen Stives SCDD (A), Suzy Requarth SDRC (A)

Members/Ex-Officio Members Absent: Rigoberto Zavala (SA), Bertha Taylor (FA), Chris Lubinski (FA), Tania Schloss CRA

Guests Present: 10 members of the public were present

1. Welcome and Introductions – completed

2. Public Input – None provided

3. Approve outstanding minutes – Minutes approved for April 2020.

4. Developmental Disability Services (DDS) Work Group Update (Suzy)
   - There have been no work group meetings since last LAC meeting in April.

5. San Diego Regional Center Update (Suzy Requarth/Tiffany Swan)
   - See attachment for current enrollment numbers and other statistics, prepared by Suzy Requarth.
   - Further discussion about what information to include in monthly SDRC updates. Requests included breakdown of age groups, ethnicities, and primary language.
   - Tiffany provided updates on HCBS and HCBS grants.

6. SCDD Statewide Advisory Board Review and Discussion (Mary Ellen)
   - Festival of Learning coming up on June 8th through Life Works.
• Statewide SCDD meeting scheduled for June 9th.

7. Community Training/Recommendations

• (Joyce) Discussion re: SDP Implementation Funds allocation plan. Joyce presented initial draft of SDLAC recommendations for implementation funds including an overview of DDS guidelines on these funds, W&IC description of the Local Advisory Committee purpose, barriers to implementation identified by advocacy groups statewide, San Diego priorities for funds, and strategies/resources to pursue. Commentary included:
  
  o Additions to barriers list: complexity of budget tool, uncertainty on transparency and feedback, funding and rate change impact.
  
  o Provide trainings/organized discussions in different languages and possibly available online ‘on demand’
  
  o Need to find way to make sure individuals/families know that self-determination is out there and will be an option starting June of 2021. SCs could bring up at annual review or IPP meetings, creation of brochures or informational materials, increasing frequency of informational sessions.
  
  o Should there be lists of potential SDP providers on a website through regional center or state council? Families are overwhelmed and confused by what they need, who to look for, and where to find options.
  
  o Several people in support of peer-to-peer mentoring programs and sharing of stories and information from active SDP participants.
  
  o Make concerted effort to reach out to vendored service providers to provide education on self-determination.
  
  o Find ways to facilitate productive conversations with all “moving parts” in self-determination – participants, providers, potential providers, regional centers, LAC members, etc.
  
  o The LAC might consider doing a professional mapping process for how to plan for and use the implementation funds.

• Suzy provided information on upcoming SDP Orientation (Zoom) on May 29th.

8. Future Agenda Items

• Final SDP Implementation Funds allocation plan

9. Future Meeting Schedule

  June 25th 10am-12pm

10. Adjourn

Minutes respectfully submitted by Suzy Requarth