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**Alta California Regional Center (ACRC)**  
**Self-Determination Advisory Committee Meeting (SDAC)**  
**Wednesday, December 13, 2023**  
**1 to 2 p.m.**  
**Minutes**

<b>Members:</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<p align="center"><b>Legend:</b></p> <p>SA – Self-Advocate            FA – Family Advocate            SP – Service Provider</p>
Benita Shaw, FA	X		
Carmen Delgado, FA	X		
Daniel Meadows, SA		X	
Kelsey Handcock, DRC	X		
Kenya Martinez, FA	X		
Kimberly Terrell, SA		X	
Lisa Cooley, SA (Chair)	X		
Meena Kalyanasundaram, FA	X		
Tanishia Hubbard, Community Resource Partner	X		
Tom Hopkins, SA		X	
Tracy Ligtenberg, FA		X	
William Reed		X	
Margaux De Leon, FA	X		
<b>Non-members Present:</b>			
Mechelle Johnson, ACRC	Peter Mendoza, SCDD		
Jennifer Bloom, ACRC	Lori Ross, parent, IF		
Anne Shayler, ACRC	Mirela Bere		
Melissa Schuessler, ACRC	Emily S., PEC		
Kizi Smith, ACRC	Teri Voorhes, parent, IF		
David Lopez, ACRC	Kristy R., parent		
Sophia Mogannam, ACRC	Rosie Lasca, parent, IF		

**1. Call to Order by Lisa Cooley, Chair**

Welcome & Introductions (1:00 p.m.)

**2. Approval of Agenda & Minutes – Lisa Cooley**

A quorum was established at 1:15 p.m. Chairperson Lisa Cooley requested the committee vote on the approval of today's agenda and the September 13th SDAC meeting minutes.

**M/S/C (Kenya, Margaux) Made the motion to approve the agenda of today's meeting and the November 8<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes.**

**The committee approved the agenda of today's meeting, and the November 8<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes.**

**3. Public Comment Period**

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**4. Grant Funding Sub-Committee Update-Present Proposals to be Funded**

- Kenya shared that there is just under \$25,000 remaining in grant funding.
- The SDAC received a proposal that was submitted by Rosie Lasca with The Independent Facilitator Training Academy for a social media campaign. The proposed animated video training series will be based on various topics on Self Determination.
- Rosie shared that the animated video training series is designed to educate Self Advocates and their families on various topics on Self Determination beyond what is addressed during orientation.
  - The training videos will provide a variety of characters to fit the demographic and requirements.
  - Will be translated into Russian, Spanish, and Hmong. Additional language translation is available upon request.
- Margaux asked how clients will access the videos and where the videos will be stored.
  - Rosie noted that the videos will be given to the SDAC to post and share.
  - Jennifer shared that ACRC has a YouTube channel, website, and Social Media sites that the videos could be shared on.

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- Margaux asked for clarification on the translation costs noted on the proposal.
  - Rosie shared that a script is created in English and then translated into different languages with a voice-over which is all included in the video production costs.
- Kenya asked who has ownership over the videos once they are completed.
  - Rosie shared that the videos would be transferred to the SDAC who would decide ownership.
- Kenya shared an interest in adding translation in Punjabi and inquired about the additional translation costs.
  - Rosie noted that the cost to add Punjabi translation would be for the translation of the script itself.
- Kenya asked if the speakers who assist with the voiceovers are native to the requested translation languages.
  - Rosie shared that the voice-overs are automated and good quality and are natural sounding.
- There was an inquiry if ACRC staff could assist with translation for the videos to save costs.
  - Jennifer noted that ACRC would need to look into their capacity to assist with translation. However, the SDAC has the funds to allocate towards translation costs for the videos.
- Margaux inquired if the videos would include diverse characters.
  - Rosie shared that she could create different skin tones, physical disabilities, and cultural backgrounds. Rosie shared that an alternative video production with animation and video can be used to represent neurodivergent individuals.
  - Kenya noted that she would also like to see low-vision, blind, hearing-impaired, and deaf individuals represented in the animation videos. Additionally, individuals who use a feeding tube and oxygen tank.
- Public comment shared from Kristy on how the information in these videos will hold up to changing guidelines/laws over time.
  - Rosie shared that there will be a script that will be reviewed for content by the regional center.
- Mechelle noted an amendment to the proposal for the videos to include Punjabi translation.

- **M/S/C** (Kenya, Lisa) **Made the motion to approve the Independent Facilitator Training Academy proposal.**
- **M/S/C** (Kenya, Lisa, Margaux, Kelsey, Carmen, Benita, Meena, Tanishia) **Voted to approve the Independent Facilitator Training Academy Proposal as presented.**
- Mechelle noted that she and Jennifer will be meeting with Rosie to discuss specifics and the contract.

**5. SDAC Member Comment Period**

- Benita noted that she would like to discuss quorum concerns at the next meeting.
- Peter noted that SCDD will call committee members appointed by SCDD and Alta to encourage participation.
- Benita requested SCDD and Alta look into the next steps moving forward for inactive committee members who do not respond.

**6. Future Dates for 2024 SDAC monthly meetings.**

- January 10, 2024, 1-3
- March 13, 2024, 1-3 pm
- May 8, 2024, 6-8 pm
- July 10, 2024, 1-3 pm
- September 11, 2024, 1-3 pm
- November 13, 2024, 6-8 pm

**7. Identify agenda items for the next meeting.**

1. *Quorum concerns.*

**8. Meeting adjourned at 1:58 pm.**