Alta California Regional Center Self-Determination Committee Meeting Wednesday September 14th, 2016 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. Minutes

Members Present:	Members Absent:
Stacy Shaw SA	Nancy Libby FA
Lisa Cooley SA	Carole Watilo SP
Joyce McNair FA	Lana Knyazev SP
Brittnee Gillespie DRC	Christian Griffith FA
Margaret Lamb FA (via phone)	Kimberly Terrell SA
Luis Rivera FA	Nina Iliff FA
Others Present:	
Jason Lindo, ACRC	
Robin LeMay (Support Staff), ACRC	
Sonya Bingaman, SCDD	
Phil Bonnet, ACRC	
Legend: SA - Self-Advocate, FA -	
Family Advocate, SP - Service	
Provider	

1. Call to Order by Lisa Cooley, Chair

• Welcome & Introductions (10:00 A.M.)

2. Approval of Agenda & Minutes (from June 8th, 2016)

- It was moved/seconded and carried to approve the agenda and minutes. No Abstentions.
- Members requested in lieu of emailing the minutes one week in advance for review, to have copies available during the meeting.

3. Number of Clients Signed up for Self-Determination List – Jason Lindo

- When the Self-Determination Advisory Committee met on 6/8/16, Alta had 1,751 clients signed up for the Self-Determination Interest List.
- As of yesterday (9/13/16), Alta has 1,992 clients signed up (241 more clients).
- Some feedback from families has been that they are not interested in signing up until there is a clear picture as to what the program will look like.
- Alta has been letting families know that there is no harm in signing up for the interest list and they aren't obligated to participate if they do.

4. Outreach Planning with State Council & ACRC – Jason Lindo

- Jason Lindo and Sonya Bingaman will start working together in the beginning of October on creating a joint presentation about Regional Center Services and Self-Determination.
- Self-Advocates and Family-Advocates are invited to join in on the presentation.
- Plan to outreach to the following community's:
 - Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA's)
 - Russian community
 - Spanish community
 - Middle Eastern community
 - Native American community
 - American Sign Language (ASL) community
- Will need to coordinate translators to assist with some of these presentations.
- Lisa Cooley noted that she would be willing to sit and talk with anybody that needs to discuss developmental disabilities.

5. Update on Trainings & Self-Determination Waiver – Jason Lindo

• There is no movement on the waiver right now.

- Hoping to have the waiver submitted by the end of November.
- Once the pilot project starts, there will likely be a Medi-Caid Waiver audit each year which will help weed out what is allowable and what is not.
- What the program looks like when we start, will most likely not be the same once it's fully established.
 - > DDS Trainings
 - 1915i State Plan Amendment (Home & Community Based Services).
 - ACRC is attending the September 29th training.
 - Until this training is done, there will most likely not be any movement on the Self-Determination Waiver.
 - ACRC is hoping that during this training, DDS might be able to provide a brief update on Self-Determination.
 - Self-Determination
 - Training materials were supposed to be provided by DDS on July 31st, but nothing has been released yet.
 - Not sure when training materials will be provided.
- LA 50 Celebration
 - Phil Bonnet announced that Alta is hosting a celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Lanterman Act on October 15th from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
 - Phil invited the Self-Determination Committee to set up a booth at the event as it could be a good place for people to sign up for the interest list.
 - Lisa Cooley and Jason Lindo agreed to participate in setting up a booth at the celebration.

6. Outreach Efforts by Committee Members – Joyce McNair

- Network Café
 - Joyce McNair noted that she discusses Self-Determination at the monthly meetings which are comprised of 100 representatives from different organizations in which many of the agencies serve regional center clients.

 Ryan Bradley (Attorney from DRC) mentioned that Legal Services of California and Community Colleges would be good resources to reach out to.

7. Independent Facilitator Training Sub-Committee – Carole Watilo

- Carol Watilo was not in attendance.
- Sonya Bingaman noted that when the committee last met, Carol Watilo advised that the training was on hold.
- Jason Lindo stated that it's hard to review training as we don't know what will be modified once the waiver is signed.

8. Public Comment Period

- Public attendee inquired about suggestions to include curriculum about autism in the Licensed Clinical Social Workers (LCSW) program.
- Lisa Cooley suggested to contact the Mind Institute to see if they would be willing to provide training.
- Joyce McNair and Jason Lindo suggested that she could also reach out to Sac State to see about starting a pilot program.
- Sonya Bingaman passed around flyers for two upcoming events:
 - Supported Life Conference (Oct 6th & 7th).
 - o PAC Regional Meeting (October 29th).

9. Open discussion on Self-Determination:

- Stacy Shaw inquired what the age range was for children to be eligible for services.
- Committee members advised that the age range is 3 and above.
 - > Self-Determination Trainings/Information
 - Jason Lindo brought up the idea of providing Person Centered and Financial Management Services (FMS) training at upcoming meetings.
 - The group agreed that Person Centered Training should be provided next year.

- Jason Lindo noted that he would like to get more public attendance as the numbers have dwindled since the SDAC first started.
- Jason Lindo is hoping that by our next meeting to have the two vacant committee member positions filled.

10. Dates for Future Meetings:

- The SDAC committee will continue to meet quarterly on the second Wednesday of the month.
- The next meeting will occur on December 14th, 2016 at Alta California Regional Center.
- Once the waiver is passed, the Self-Determination Advisory Committee should meet more frequently.

11. Identify agenda items for next meeting

- FMS presentation from Premier Healthcare Services (Joseph Hernandez)
- 12. Meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.