



Self Determination Advisory Committee

All Interested Persons Are Welcome to Attend Our Meeting

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When: Monday, May 22, 2017

Time: 10:00 am to noon

Where: Chico Far Northern Regional Center Office

1377 East Lassen Avenue, Chico, CA

Phone: 895.8633

Refreshments will be served upon your arrival.

Minutes:

1. Welcome and Introductions:

Committee members in attendance were: Charles Nutt, Kimberlee Candela, Theresa Rivera, Stephen Concklin, Ronda Dever.

2. Public Input/Open Forum (*This section is for members of the public only; and is to provide the public an opportunity to comment and/or present information to the Board on any matter. **Each member of the public will be afforded up to five minutes to speak. If you have additional information you are encouraged to submit it in writing.***):

Members of the public attending were: Sarah May and Mary Agnes Nolan, (State Council on Developmental Disabilities, North State Office), Laura Larson, (Executive Director FNRC), Cynthia Presidio, Melissa Gruhler, Marlene McCollum, Joseph Hernandez, Premier Healthcare.

3. Approval of Meeting Agenda: Motion to approve and second: Charles Nutt and Theresa Rivera. No discussion, motion passed.

4. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting: Motion made and seconded to approve February 24, 2017 minutes by Charles Nutt and Stephen Concklin. No discussion, motion passed.

5. Update on Statewide Activities.

- a. Report on Statewide Advisory Committee: Ronda Dever, Chairperson:
The first statewide meeting for 2017 will be in June. Ronda will attend if

June 13th is chosen, and Charles Nutt will attend if the meeting is scheduled for June 20th. Ronda will email the committee members with the dates of the upcoming statewide meetings in the event someone would like to attend in Ronda's place. At the next local meeting there will be a discussion regarding the length of time a committee member should serve as chair and an update regarding who is responsible for committee travel expenses.

- b. Other: There are no updates since the last meeting. However, DDS is optimistic regarding the waiver, as there are only a few significant issues remaining. Sarah May is also attending the North Coast Self-Determination Advisory meetings, which are very similar to these.

6. Committee Profile: Who are we? What are our responsibilities? At the meeting in February, Rachael Newkirk and Marlene McCollum helped the committee develop a one-page profile. This profile template is being used for consumers with the Person-Centered Planning to help all involved to make choices in their lives and help clients achieve life goals. The finalized version will be mailed to all committee members.
7. Upcoming "Casual Conversations" scheduled: Laura will begin meeting with people regarding Self-Determination. These conversations that Laura will be having will be light, informal introductory meetings. When the waiver is approved, the state-mandated PowerPoint will be used for addition meetings in the Far Northern area.
8. Discussion of the Role, Responsibilities and Training required for Independent Facilitators: The Fiscal Intermediary will be taking care of people's fiscal needs. The Independent Facilitator will be the person that coordinates services with Self-Determination. If you choose not to have an Independent Facilitator, you will be defaulted to your Regional Center Service Coordinator. The question presented was: Do you want the Independent Facilitators to be certified? Laura passed out several articles regarding the Independent Facilitators and Self-Determination. If used, the Service Coordinator will not cost the client anything. However, it is very possible that Independent Facilitators will charge. You can, also, have a family member be the Independent Facilitator, provided this person doesn't charge the client. Possible ideas for certification included:
 - a. Two-day Person Centered Thinking Training.
 - b. Training regarding Clients' Rights
 - c. Fiscal/budget knowledge
 - d. Community Service knowledge
 - e. Cultural Relevance knowledge

- f. Generic resource training and/or knowledge
- g. Self-Determination categories
- h. Negotiation skills
- i. Regional History knowledge
- j. Learning Modules could be developed and implemented for training

9. Committee member open discussions – None

10. Other – A viewing of the Regional Center History Learning Module will be included on the agenda. Melissa Gruhler and Marlene McCollum will develop a draft of what the certification process could resemble. The next meeting will be August 4, 2017, 10:00 a.m. in Chico.

11. Adjourn: Motion and second by Kimberlee Candela and Stephen Concklin. No discussion, motion passed.

Respectfully submitted



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