

# **December 6 & 7 2017 MINUTES**

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Statewide Self Advocacy Network  
Meeting Minutes  
December 6-7, 2017  
Crowne Plaza, Sacramento

**SCDD Regional Office Members  
in attendance**

David Forderer – SCDD  
Charles Adams – North Coast  
Lisa Cooley – Sacramento  
(September 6<sup>th</sup> only)  
Chen Curtis – North Bay  
Regina Woodliff – Bay Area  
Robert Balderama – North Valley Hills  
Rebecca Donabed – Sequoia  
Sean Sullivan – Orange County  
Daniel Fouste – San Bernardino  
Paul Mansell – San Diego- Imperial

**Agency Members in attendance**

Desiree Boykin – ARCA  
Robert Levy –MIND Institute  
Kecia Weller – Tarjan Center  
Wesley Witherspoon – UCEED  
USC CHLA  
Scott Barron – DRC  
(teleconference)  
Nicole Patterson – DDS

**Members not in attendance**

Christina Mills-CFILC  
Teresa Moshier – North State  
Julie Gaona – Los Angeles (Listen  
on Phone only)

**SCDD Staff in attendance**

Dena Hernandez- North Valley Hills  
George Lewis- North Valley Hills  
Sonya Bingaman – SCDD  
Sacramento Manager  
Riana Hardin-SCDD HQ

**Non SCDD Facilitators**

Steve Ruder – MIND Institute  
Wayne Glusker  
Angela Lewis  
Jana Chapman-Plon – DDS  
Dawn Sullivan  
Sheba Brown  
Jamie Noll – ARC Solano

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Ryan Duncanwood (SA)  
Elizabeth Mard – DDS  
Craig Sullivan  
Juanita Chapple (SA)  
Michael Davato  
Kathleen Short  
Jim Short

**Speakers**

Aaron Carruthers - SCDD  
Executive Director  
Gabriel Rogin - SCDD  
Chief Deputy Director



## **DAY 1**

### **Call to Order, Welcome, Roll Call and Introductions**

Robert Balderama, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM. Rebecca Donabed, Secretary did a roll call vote for members present. Members introduced themselves and welcomed Sean Sullivan the new representative from Orange County to the network.

### **Review and Approval of Agenda**

Robert Balderama, Chairperson asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Members reviewed and approved the agenda as presented:

**ACTION: Motion #1 to approve the agenda by Regina Woodliff /Second by Kecia Weller. Roll call vote taken and ALL members present voted unanimously YES in favor of this motion. Motion passed. See page 11 of minutes for full voting record.**

### **Public Comment**

Elizabeth Mard from DDS spoke about DDS's role in CIE (Competitive Integrated Employment) and that she was there just to get to know about SSAN. She said DDS is working on materials to help spread the word on CIE and she would like to come back to a SSAN meeting with the materials for SSAN's input to the materials. She will contact SSAN once materials are ready.

### **Review and Approval of Minutes September 6-7, 2017**

**ACTION: Motion #2 to approve the September minutes by Kecia Weller / Second by Wesley Witherspoon. Roll call vote taken and 15 members voted YES in favor of this motion and 1 member abstained from voting. Motion passed. See page 11 of minutes for full voting record.**

### **SCDD Update**

SCDD Executive Director Aaron Carruthers thanked the SSAN members for all their hard work of the last year. He stated that he reviewed the SSAN Annual Report and was really happy with all the work. He gave info on the SCDD Council Meeting highlights (Handout), SCDD Structural Deficit,



update from Washington D.C. and each member got a handout from NACDD on how the Council's are addressing sexual violence and neglect.

## **SSAN Workgroups**

Each work group met and determined their meeting schedule for 2018, and report back to full SSAN:

- Legislative Work Group – Robert Balderama reported that this work group will conference call the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 1:30pm. This work group will serve as an information highway regarding legislation and laws. This work group will invite Cindy Smith, SCDD Deputy Director of Policy to participate in the calls.
- Employment Work Group – Rebecca Donabed reported that this work Group agreed to have conference calls the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month except in the months when there is a SSAN meeting.
- Self-Determination Work Group – Nicole Patterson reported that this work group wants to ask each SSAN member to go back to their communities and attend a local Self Determination Advisory Committee and find out what they are doing. They would like members to report back what's going on with Self-Determination in their area. This group will have conference calls on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month at 3:00pm. Nicole will keep this work group informed from DDS Self-Determination Advisory Committee.
- Newsletter/Communication Committee – Robert Levy reported that this group will not meet in between SSAN meetings because the work can be done without the conference calls. This group works on a draft newsletter and brings to each SSAN meeting for approval. This group will talk more about this tomorrow.

### **“How I Got Hired” and The Benefits of Employment**

SSAN Member Kecia Weller gave a presentation on how she obtained her job at the Tarjan Center and her own pathway to employment. Ms. Weller talked about how having a job has helped her to be independent and the resources that she uses to manage having a job and receiving public benefits. Materials from the Social Security Administration were made available including: 2017 Red Book, “Working While Disabled”, “Your Ticket to Work”, and Benefits Planning Query Handbook.



## **Mock Job Interview**

SCDD Human Resources staff Janet Butts and Gloria Lopez explained that they needed more clarification from SSAN about what they would like to get out of a mock job interview training and that they would come back to a future meeting to give members a training. They provided members with an overview of the LEAP program. Riana Hardin shared her story of getting a job thru LEAP at SCDD.

## **Member Action Reports**

Members shared and turned in their written member action reports. A summary of the reports can be found at the end of the notes.

## **SCDD SAAC Report**

David Forderer, SCDD Representative, provided members with his report on what took place at the November 29-30, 2017 SAAC/Council meeting. See page 31 of the packet.

## **Meeting Adjourned at 4:14 PM**



## **SSAN DAY 2 Minutes**

### **Call to Order, Welcome, Roll Call and Introductions**

Robert Baldermama, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 9:40 AM  
Rebecca Donabed did a roll call vote for members present.

### **Review and Approve the Agenda**

Robert Balderama, Chairperson asked for a motion to approve the agenda.  
Members reviewed and approved the agenda. Since there were no  
changes to the agenda, no motion was needed

### **Public Comment**

SCDD Self-Advocacy Coordinator Riana Hardin shared the 2018 SCDD  
Public Policy Platform with the members since the SCDD Deputy Director  
of Policy would not be able to attend this meeting.

### **SSAN Annual Report**

SCDD staff Dena Hernandez and Riana Hardin reviewed the 2017 SSAN  
Annual Report with the members. Dena and Riana explained that the  
information that was in the SSAN Annual Report was gathered through the  
SSAN Member Reports from each of the meetings and showed just how  
much work members put into SSAN. The Annual Report, if it is approved by  
the members, will be sent to the Federal Government so that they can  
know what SSAN has been doing. Several SSAN members commented on  
how good the report looked and thanked SCDD staff for their ongoing  
support of SSAN activities.

**ACTION: Motion #3. Motion to approve the SSAN annual report was made  
by Kecia Weller and seconded by Regina Woodliff. Members voted through  
a roll call vote. All members present voted in favor of the motion. Motion  
passed. See page 11 of minutes for full voting record.**

### **MOU and Budget Update**

SCDD Chief Deputy Director Gabriel Rogin and SCDD Self-Advocacy  
Coordinator Riana Hardin provided SSAN members with a detailed  
presentation on the SSAN budget. Chief Deputy Director Rogin reviewed  
the section of the Memorandum of Understanding that talked about SSAN



developing budget skills (Section 4.2.9). Chief Deputy Director Rogin told SSAN members that the purpose of the presentation was only to begin the process of SSAN members being aware of the SSAN budget and that no action was required by the members. Self-Advocacy Coordinator Hardin pointed out that the difference between the budget that she presented to the members at the September meeting and the one that they were looking at now included the salary of the Self-Advocacy Coordinator. Items that were not included were the involvement of other SCDD staff time and the cost of the conference line. The rough estimate for the SSAN budget is \$29,312 a quarter (every three months). Members asked if that included any money for outside speakers and Ms. Hardin mentioned that those expenses would fit under “miscellaneous.” Members asked about whether or not it would be possible to hold the meetings in other parts of the state and requested that staff provide members with a cost benefit analysis at the next meeting with the potential cost differences.

### **ABLE Act Update**

Stanley Zeto, Acting Executive Director of the CalABLE Board provided SSAN members with an update on CalABLE and answered their questions regarding the program.

### **Member Action Plans and Assignments**

SSAN Officers went over the member action plans and assignments for the next meeting by having members reach out to people in their local areas on what supports have been given to help people find jobs. Members should interview people on what they feel needs to be done in their community to improve employment services in their region. Members should find out what people are interested in around employment, what is happening, and be prepared to offer suggestions. Members should talk to employers as well and need to be prepared to share what they learned after talking to various people about the type of information they want about employment.

### **December Newsletter Approval**

Robert Levy, SSAN Newsletter Chair, advised that the members are Wesley Witherspoon, Kecia Weller, Paul Mansell, Teresa Moshier, Nicole Patterson, and Chen Curtiss. Wesley and Kecia have completed articles for the upcoming newsletter issue #10. SCDD North Valley Hills Regional





Manager Dena Hernandez and SCDD Self-Advocacy Coordinator Riana Hardin have been trained on how to make revisions so the newsletter will now be accessible with font, color and layout changes. Robert asked members to approve the current edition of the newsletter and asked for topic ideas for the next edition. The article topics discussed for the December newsletter are: Save the Date of Activities; Employment Speaker Training; Summer Institute; Scott Barron, DRC, Biography; What's Happening with CFILC; AUCD conference; Introduction of new secretary, Rebecca Donabed; Introduction of new SCDD Deputy Director of Policy, Cindy Smith; Supported Life Conference; Welcoming 2018, Giving People Hope. Articles are due by November 28, 2017.

**ACTION: Motion #4 to approve the December edition of the newsletter. Motion made by Regina Woodliff/Second by Kecia Weller. Roll call vote taken and ALL members present voted unanimously YES in favor of this motion. Motion passed. See page 11 of minutes for full voting record.**

### **Input for Next SSAN Meeting**

A suggestion was made to do general themes for meetings and then talk about the specific items that should go under it. The topic for the next meeting is Employment. Public safety for people with disabilities was another topic suggested for a future meeting.

The next meeting is March 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.

### **Meeting Adjourned at 2:11 PM**

### **Member Action Reports**

Member reports were verbally given and turned in on Day 1.

### **December 2017 SSAN Member Reports**

15 Members Reports were turned in and one email was received. The following was reported:

Trainings:

- 10/20 Celebration of Self-Advocacy @ Ed Roberts Campus-Berkeley – 45 SA 35 Other
- “Internet Safety” – 25 SA



- “Is Self-Determination Right for Me?” – 35 SA
- “Reporting Abuse of Dependent Adults” – 20 people
- Helping Health Professionals Discuss Sexual Violence with their Patients – 35 people
- Panel Discussion at Supported Life Conference – 40 people
- Silence = Violence presentation at Supported Life Conference – 30 people
- Housing and Section 8 – 16 SA
- SDP training – 200-210 SA/Other
- “How to Fire Your Attendant When Things Go Wrong” – 7 SA
- RAC meeting – 5 SA 5 FA 5 Other
- Los Angeles County Voting Accessibility Advisory Committee – 5 SA 20 Other
- Peak Performance (Emergency Preparedness and IPPs) – 29 SA 6 Other
- Lincoln Training Center (Self-Advocacy) – 29 SA 5 Other
- ARC South Bay ADC Gardena (Crime Prevention and Self-Advocacy) – 29 SA 5 Other
- Independence Plus (Crime Prevention) – 29 SA 5 Other
- Villa Esperanza (Crime Prevention) – 29 SA 5 Other
- Antelope Valley Path Point (Self-Advocacy) – 29 SA 5 Other
- PALS Downey (Emergency Preparedness) – 29 SA 5 Other
- Easter Seals San Pedro (Self-Advocacy) – 29 SA 5 Other
- ETTA (Self-Advocacy) – 30 SA 5 Other
- CECA ABLE Arts (Self-Advocacy) – 30 SA 5 Other
- Giant Steps (Self-Advocacy) – 30 SA 5 Other
- Burbank ABLE Inc. (Crime Prevention) – 30 SA 5 Other
- CalABLE
- Valley Mountain Regional Center Board Self-Determination – 22 SA
- SAC 6 meeting

#### Conferences:

- AUCD Conference in Washington D.C. November 5-8, 2017



- October Supported Life Institute Conference – 300 SA/Other
- San Diego Leading the Charge – 300 SA/Other
- Housing Conference – 20 SA/Other
- San Mateo Abilities Expo – 200-300 SA/Other

#### Presentations:

- Meetings with elected officials SA 1 FA 3 Other
- 9/27/2017 Presentation at Deer Valley High School in Antioch, CA about Employment, Independence and Self-Advocacy – 36 SA 10 Other
- Employment – 25 SA 5 Other
- Emergency Preparedness – 7 SA
- ABLE Act – 2 SA
- Person Centered Planning – 1 SA
- Self-Advocacy – 46 SA
- Education – 1 SA
- CAC meeting – 36 SA
- FDC Choices Interviews – 16 Other
- San Francisco ADA Conference – 120 people
- Self-Determination – 40 SA 40 Other
- EBSH Restraints Guidelines Work Group – 20 SA/Other
- California Democratic Disability Caucus meeting – 1 SA 1 Other
- Healthcare outreach/education – 20 Other
- Treat or Trunk
- Employment – 10 SA
- Emails – 24 SA
- Phone – 50 SA/Other
- Outreach – 40 SA/Other

#### Resources:

- Alta Regional Center
- California Independent Living Centers



- Choices
- CADRE
- County Emergency Preparedness Committee
- San Jose Emergency Managers Association

Barriers Reported:

- Transportation (5)
- Family
- Job (3)
- Weather
- Lack of understanding of the needs of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (2)
- Region is too big
- Time
- Technology

*Minutes respectfully submitted by SCDD staff*



## ROLL CALL VOTE RESULTS

Name	Region	Roll Call	Motion 1	Motion 2	Roll Call	Motion 3	Motion 4
David Forderer	SCDD	Present	For	For	Present	For	For
Charles Adams	North Coast	Present	For	For	Present	For	For
Teresa Moshier	North State	Not Present	Not Present	Not Present	Not Present	Not Present	Not Present
Lisa Cooley	Sacramento	Present	For	For	Not Present	Not Present	Not Present
Chen Curtiss	North Bay	Present	For	For	Present	For	For
Robert Balderama	North Valley Hills	Present	For	For	Present	For	For
Regina Woodliff	Bay Area	Present	For	For	Present	For	For
Rebecca Donabed	Sequoia	Present	For	For	Present	For	For
Julie Gaona	Los Angeles	Not Present	Not Present	Not Present	Not Present	Not Present	Not Present
Sean Sullivan	Orange County	Present	For	For	Present	For	For
Daniel Fouste	San Bernardino	Present	For	For	Present	For	Paul
Paul Mansell	San Diego	Present	For	For	Present	For	Paul
Desiree Boykin	ARCA	Present	For	For	Present	For	Rebecca
Nicole Patterson	DDS	Present	For	Abstain	Present		
Robert Levy	Mind Institute	Present	For	For	Present	For	Wesley
Wesley Witherspoon	USC – CHLA	Present	For	For	Present	For	Paul
Kecia Weller	Trajan Center	Present	For	For	Present	For	Paul
Christina Mills	CFILC	Not Present	Not Present	Not Present	Not Present	Not Present	Not Present
Scott Barron	DRC	Conference Line	For	For	Not Present	Not Present	Not Present

# **BAGLEY KEENE TRAINING**

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# BAGLEY KEENE PRESENTATION TO STATEWIDE SELF-ADVOCATES NETWORK

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By: Legal Counsel Natalie  
Bocanegra  
State Council on Development  
Disabilities  
March 9, 2017



# Bagley Keene Act: Purpose

- Good government law
- Allows the public to see what is going on in the government
- Prevents info from being hidden from the public



*“Please have a seat in the waiting room at the end of the hallway.”*

# Good Government Laws

## Bagley Keene

- 1967 (Sep): Bagley Keene Act enacted

# Bagley Keene Act: Challenges

- The Bagley Keene Act is meant to let the public know what the government is doing, BUT....
- The Bagley Keene Act can also present challenges

What are some challenges you have faced with the Bagley Keene rules?



# Bagley Keene Act: Challenges

- *Too Much Sun* - report by the Center for Collaborative Policy (2003)

According to this report, some challenges are:

- Figuring out when the Bagley Keene rules apply
- Planning for and holding meetings
- Planning for and holding subgroup and subcommittee meetings

# Bagley Keene Act: Challenges

- Noticing, posting agendas
- Spending a lot of time to follow rules
- Discussion is limited
- Agendas packed with a lot of items
- Deliberative (decision-making) challenges
- Threats to confidentiality
- Can't caucus (meet in a group and discuss)
- Fiscal (\$) challenges
- Can't fully use emails and text messages

# Bagley Keene Act: Purpose

## Open meetings

But remember that the public policy of the state is that:

The “people’s business” is to be conducted openly.

# Bagley Keene Act: Purpose

## Open meetings –

Lets the public know:

- **When** the committee is having a meeting and **what** will discussed
- That there is a chance for the **public** to **comment** on committee business
- **How** committee decisions are made

# Bagley Keene Act: The Rules

Let's get started.....



# The Bagley Keene Act & The Brown Act



- The Bagley Keene Act applies to *STATE* agencies
- The Brown Act applies to *LOCAL* agencies
- *The rules are not exactly the same*

# Who must follow the Bagley Keene Rules?

- All state bodies and their members
- “State body” is defined by Government Code Section 11121:
  - This section discusses multimember bodies (groups) based on how they were created and what authority they have

# Who must follow the Bagley Keene Rules?

## (1) Multi-member Bodies: General Rule

Under the general rule:

- A multi-member body (group)
- Created by statute or required by law to conduct official meetings



Example:

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities  
which is established in the Welfare and Institutions Code.  
GC Section 11121(a)

# Who must follow the Bagley Keene Rules?

## (2) Multi-member Bodies: Delegated Authority

- Multi-member body of a state body
- Exercises any authority delegated to it by that state body (another way of thinking of this is a body that was set up by the main board or council to carry out a responsibility)
- Example: An Executive Committee of a board that handles business given to it by the Board or Council



GC Section 11121(b)

# Who must follow the Bagley Keene Rules?

## (3) Multi-member Bodies: Advisory, Created by Formal Action

- Advisory multi-member body of a state body
- Created by:
  - formal action of the state body (such as the Council)
  - or
  - formal action of any member of the state body (such as the Chair or a member of the Council)
- Consists of 3 or more persons
- Example: Council advisory and self-advocate committees.



# Who must follow the Bagley Keene Rules?

## (4) Multi-member Bodies: Determined by Member

- A multi-member body, whether operated by the State or a private corporation
- Has at least one member who:
  - is a member of a state body
  - in his or her official capacity represents the state body
- Multimember body is supported in whole or in part by the state body.

According to guidance from the Attorney General's office, this isn't a common situation but you should review the Bagley Keene rules whenever a member of a state body will sit as a representative on another body.

GC Section 11121(d)

# Open meetings – Bagley Keene Act

## What is a meeting?

The Bagley Keene rules apply to “meetings.”

In general terms, a meeting is:



- A congregation (“get-together”) of
- A **majority** of the members of the committee
- To **hear, discuss, or deliberate**
- On an **item within** the subject matter **jurisdiction** of the state body.

# Open meetings: Bagley Keene Act Majority

- A “majority” is more than half of the official members of the state body.

....Is there a majority  
in this picture?





# Open meetings: Bagley Keene Act

## Serial Meetings

Section 11122.5 of the Act talks about a gathering of majority members “at the same time and place”  
BUT....

The Bagley Keene Act prohibits talking or emailing among a majority of committee members about a committee matter outside of a noticed public meeting. This means that the Bagley Keene rules can apply even when members are not all at the same place.

- GC Section 11122.5(b)(1)

# Open meetings: Bagley Keene Act

## Serial Meetings

Communications outside of a noticed public meeting that go to a majority of members of a state body are sometimes called “**serial meetings.**”

### Types of serial meetings

- Chain of communication
- Hub and spoke communications
- Other configurations or links of communications

# Bagley Keene

## “Chain” of Communications Serial Meeting

Think of a chain with links.

One member, who is talking to another member about a state body’s matter – who then talks to another member, and so on, can create problems.



# Bagley Keene

## “Hub and Spoke” Communications Serial Meeting

Think of a bicycle wheel - with a hub in the middle and spokes.

One member talking to one member about a state body item and then separately to a second member and then to a third member, and so on, can create problems.



# Bagley Keene

## “Intermediaries”

Communications made through representatives or “intermediaries” (other people who are not members) can create a serial meeting.

Example: A non-member (who has already spoken with a few members) may talk to another non-member, who then speaks with another member. If a majority of members ultimately receive the communication, then you can have a serial meeting.



Note that a staff person can be an “intermediary” who creates a serial meeting by polling members.

# Bagley Keene

## Other Linked Communications

Any problems with this scenario?

Remember:

Whether a **majority** of the body has been part of the communication is as important as is the **subject** of the communication.



# Serial Meetings

## MAIN POINTS:

- Discussions outside of public meetings could break Bagley Keene Act rules
  - Depends on the issue discussed
  - Depends on the number of members involved
- Phone calls, emails and text messages count!
- Note that teleconferences are permitted but certain rules apply.

# Meetings – Teleconferences

- Teleconferences are “meetings”
- All Bagley Keene rules still apply
  - Notice rules: Each teleconference location must be properly noticed
- Votes are taken by roll call

GC Section 11123



# Meetings – Teleconferences

## Teleconference Location

- At least one member of the state body must be physically present at the location listed on the notice.
- Location must be accessible to the public.
- Location must be ADA compliant.
- Members of the public must be able to hear the open session portion of the meeting at the teleconference location.

# Notice Rules – Regular Meeting

- Notice of regular meeting: at least **10 days** in advance
- Notice must include:
  - Date, time, and place of the meeting
  - The name, address and phone number of a person who can give more info
  - Website address where the notice is posted
  - Short description of each item to be discussed  
The statute says that the description generally doesn't need to be more than 20 words.
- Post online and send to all members and people who request it.  
(GC Section 11125.)

# Notice Rules – Special Meetings

Special meetings can be held in limited circumstances to address matters such as:

- Pending litigation
- Proposed legislation
- Disciplinary action involving a state officer or employee
- Real estate purchases/sales

GC Section 11125.4

➔ This rule would rarely be relevant to SSAN.

# Notice Rules – Emergency Meetings

- Used in very rare instances for an “emergency situation” such as:
    - Work stoppage or activity that impairs public health or safety
    - Crippling disaster that impairs public health or safety
  - Notice: **1 hour** prior to the meeting
  - Same notice requirements as for the Special Meeting  
GC Section 11125.5
- ➔ This rule would rarely be relevant to SSAN.

# Public Participation

Under the Act:

- Meeting materials are public records and must be available to the public
- You may not require anyone to give their name as a condition of attendance at the meeting.
- Members of the public must be given the opportunity to comment on each agenda item before or during the state body's consideration of the item.
  - The state body may adopt rules to limit the total amount of time for public comment and for each individual speaker.

# Public Participation

- Members of the public are permitted to record and broadcast the meeting, unless there is a persistent disruption.
- If a meeting is disrupted (“willfully interrupted”) by a group of people, the state body can order that the meeting room be cleared and continue with the session.
  - People not involved with the disruption can be re-admitted
  - Members of the news media must be allowed to stay unless they participated in the disruption.

# Closed Session

- All meetings must be open to the public unless a “Closed Session” exception applies.
- Exceptions are specifically listed in the Act.
- Agenda should cite the statutory section authorizing the closed session.
- SSAN would rarely, if ever, need to hold a closed session.

# Bagley Keene Act

## Things to Remember

agenda mailing meeting

- Calendar –

Don't miss that 10-calendar-day deadline

TIP: Count backward from meeting date

- Notice all teleconference locations
- Report the vote of every member
- No secret ballots
- No proxy votes



# Open meetings – Bagley Keene Act

## Things to Remember

- No emailing or texting regarding an agenda item during a meeting
  - Public cannot hear or read what is being said
- Materials given to members should be available to the public at the same time
- Plan and control communications involving members
- Only hold closed session if there is statutory authority for doing so

# Open meetings – Bagley Keene Act

## Penalties

- State body's decision or action can be overturned (“null and void”)
  - Action must be brought within 90 days
  - By any interested party
- Can be sued to stop or prevent future violations
- Compel state body to record closed sessions
- Lawsuit can result in costs and attorneys fees
- A person can be charged with a misdemeanor if violating Bagley Keene was intentional

(GC Sections 11130,11130.3,11130.5, 11130.7.)

**SUMMARY OF JANUARY 18, 2018  
COUNCIL MEETING**

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Ensure that Californians with developmental disabilities are guaranteed the same full and equal opportunities for life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness as all Americans.

## January 18, 2018 State Council Meeting Summary

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### SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

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- SCDD removed from federal high risk status designation
- SCDD's work in 2017 reach 2,571,311 Californians
- Council approved the Cycle 41 Grant process for \$240,000 in local innovative ideas that can have statewide impact

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### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

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- Submitted 11<sup>th</sup> and final report to AIDD
- Corrective Action Plan is complete and the high risk designation was removed
- Met with UCD to kick off grant to educate people about supported decision making
- Council signed letter to U.S. Department of Justice, related to integrated employment
- Obtained flexibility in contracting grants through negotiations with the Department of General Services Legal Office

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### SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN

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- Approved 2017 Program Performance Report
- Approved the Cycle 41 Grant process
- Approved Conflict of Interest waiver requests for:
  - Suzette Serrano (FNRC)
  - Elizabeth Espinosa (WRC)
  - Zoe Giesberg (WRC)
  - Betty Pearson Grimble (WRC)
- Approved \$999 sponsorships for:
  - Care Parent Network
  - Family Voices of California

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### STATE PLAN INFORMATION

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- November and December 2017: reached 174,742 Californians

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### FUTURE MEETING DATES

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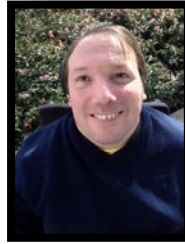
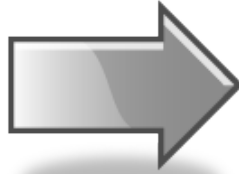
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10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. in Sacramento

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**REPORT FROM SCDD TO SSAN  
for JANUARY 2018**

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**Report from SCDD to SSAN by David Forderer**  
**Highlights from the January 17-8, 2017 SAAC and Council Meetings**

SAAC has been hard at work gathering information and networking with different agencies around health care, voting access, and community participation.

- SAAC members reported the work that they had been doing in their communities to increase awareness of self-determination, increase employment opportunities, access to affordable housing, health and safety, for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.
- SCDD Executive Director Aaron Carruthers provided SAAC members with an update on what is happening at the federal level and the potential impact on the SCDD. SCDD Executive Director Carruthers stated that SCDD has sufficient funds to carry us through, should the government shut down.
- SCDD Executive Director Aaron Carruthers informed SAAC members that Chief Deputy Director Gabriel Rogin had accepted the position of Executive Director of the North Bay Regional Center.
- The Council Meeting in March will focus on employment, which is goal 2 of the State Plan and the SAAC will provide the Council with insight into their experiences with employment and provide recommendations on how to address barriers to employment.

**Actions Taken at Council Meeting:**

- Council approved the November 30, 2017 Minutes.
- Approval of the Cycle 41 Grant process

- Received and approved conflict of interest waivers
- Reviewed and approved sponsorship requests
- During the month of November and December, the SCDD reached 174,742 Californians

This report was generated by staff at the request of David Forderer.

- The next SAAC meeting is on March 19<sup>th</sup> 2018 and the next Council meeting is on March 20<sup>th</sup> 2018 in Sacramento.

# **NEW MEMBER REPORT, EXPLANATION, AND SURVEY**

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# NEW MEMBER REPORT Explanation

The new report format is attached. This new form will help SCDD staff to put the annual SSAN report together. This report has the important things that SCDD needs to put in the report.

## How to complete the form-

- 1) Write your name on the line, put the month and year of the Report on the lines.
- 2) The **KEY** at the top of the page explains what SA, FA and O means when reporting how many people were there.
- 3) If you **ATTENDED** a meeting, Conference or Training Event- fill out each box as best you can.

### EXAMPLE:

DATE	Title or Topic of Meeting, Conference or Event	WHERE it was held	How many SA, FA, O, were there
4/6	CHOICES Conference	Stockton	SA-460 FA-10 O-30

- 4) If you **PRESENTED** (or spoke) at a Meeting, Conference or Training event- fill out each box as best you can.

### EXAMPLE:

DATE	Title or Topic of Meeting, Conference or Event	WHERE it was held	How many SA, FA, O, were there
5/4	SCDD North Valley Hills RAC mtg –SSAN info	Modesto	SA-6 FA-6 O-5

5) **TALKED** to Self Advocates about SSAN, Self Advocacy or other topic- fill out each box as best you can.

**EXAMPLE:**

DATE	Title or Topic –what did you talk about	In person, call, email	How many Self Advocates
6/1	Employment- How to get a job- they wanted to know how to start	In person	SA-3

6) **RESOURCES** you would like to share with SSAN- fill out each box as best you can.

**EXAMPLE:**

X	Title or Topic of Resource	Internet Link /address	Will bring a copy of resource
	CHOICES Conference Registration Form	<a href="http://www.choicesinstitute.org">www.choicesinstitute.org</a>	Yes brought 25 copies

7) **Anything else** you would like to REPORT or any questions or Training ideas you would like to share with SSAN?

**EXAMPLE:**

I received a Self Advocacy Leadership Award for my advocacy work!
I would like to see SSAN have its own conference, maybe move to different parts of the state each year



# MEMBER REPORT

KEY: SA-Self Advocate FA- Family Advocate O- Other (not SA or FA)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

**TELL US IF YOU...**

**ATTENDED a Meeting, Conference or Training Event:**

DATE	Title or Topic of Meeting, Conference or Event	WHERE it was held	How many SA, FA, O, were there

**PRESENTED (or spoke) at a Meeting, Conference or Training Event:**

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DATE	Title or Topic –what did you talk about	In person, call, email	How many Self Advocates

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**Anything else you would like to REPORT or any questions or Training ideas you would like to share with SSAN?**


*SCDD State Plan Goals- Self Advocacy, Employment, Housing, Health & Safety, Education, Community Supports*





## BEFORE the Training

Name of Presentation: \_\_\_\_\_ Location \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a:

\_\_\_ Self-Advocate \_\_\_ Member of a Self-Advocacy Group, or Board \_\_\_  
Family Advocate \_\_\_ Professional

**Please circle the number that best tells us what YOU know AFTER the training:**

Are you satisfied with this training:

<b>Low</b>	1	2	3	4	5	<b>High</b>

I learned something from this training and how to get support:

<b>Low</b>	1	2	3	4	5	<b>High</b>

My knowledge of how to advocate for myself or others on this topic has increased:

<b>Low</b>	1	2	3	4	5	<b>High</b>

I am planning on sharing what I learned today with other advocates:

<b>Low</b>	1	2	3	4	5	<b>High</b>

**Please share any feedback you have on this training**

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**THANK YOU-**