

Attendance: Claire Lazaro, SDAC Chair; Christine Hager, OCRA; Lisa Culley, FRN; Dena Pfeifer, Self Advocate; Lisa Pfeifer, Family Member; Robert Balderama, Self Advocate; Bethany Mickahail, Family Member; Alphonse Mickahail, Family Member; Gia Mc Elroy, Family Member; Mary Bonacei, Self Advocate; Karen Bonacei, Family Member; Roger Goatcher, Family Member; Dena Hernandez, SCDD North Valley Hills Office, Tony Anderson, VRMC Executive Director; Cindy Mix, VMRC Director of Case Management; Angelique Shear, VMRC Project Manager; By Phone: Amanda Cecena, family Member; Corina Cisnaros, Self Advocate

Not in Attendance:

Note Taker: Angelique Shear

Call to Order at 3:10 PM

Introductions of everyone present at the meeting.

Approval of Minutes-Minutes of the September 5, 2017 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Dena Pfeifer and seconded by Gia McElroy. The motion carried

Public Comment- There was no public comment.

SCDD Statewide Self Determination Advisory Committee- Clair Lazaro, chair reported that in October 2017 DDS held Trainings for Self Determination. This is the training that people need to have in order to be included in the list to get on DDS list. The committee is looking at holding more trainings in April for trainings locally so people may be added to the DDS list. Currently the thought is to hold these trainings the second week of April. There was lengthy and in depth conversation about the use of the FMS services and the facilitator, their role and who they can be. There was discussion surrounding the idea of generic resources and if someone does not feel that they are appropriate they could maybe give that service they are looking for a different name and with a similar job description that could do the same thing that the generic resource does and fund it through Self Determination. There was talk about the IPP process and that there needs to be person centered. The topic of more challenging consumers that have conservators who are a danger to themselves and the confusion person centered planning causes and that some have the opinion that Regional Centers needs to acknowledge that the person cannot make the choice if they are conserved. The discussion also included the idea that RC Staff need to allow conservator make the choice for the consumer and not ask what the consumer may want to do. Others discussed Supported Decision making and the need to help support the consumers decisions in the things that they can. There was also discussion that the consumers have the right to help make their own decisions about their lives.

Department of Developmental Services Self Determination Waiver – Tony Anderson report that currently there are not updates. DDS Directors have been pushing for a date of when the waiver will be achieved but DDS will not give a date. The thought is that it will be the first or second quarter of 2018. HCBS is not currently holding up the process. Mr. Anderson also reported that the training need to be clarified for the facilitator. The FMS payment is also something that is concerning and needs to be reviewed and answers provided. There is still work that needs to happen with the budget as well. There is also a spreadsheet from DDS that indicated 95 people will be selected from VMRC to participate in in the first selection with the following breakdown: ID 48, Autism 20, CP 9, E 12, Others 6, Gender 61 M 31 F

Next Steps for VMRC SDAC – Clair reported that we will work on the training to happen at VMRC for the public. She also reported that the people that attended the VMRC Symposium do not have to attend these trainings. They will still be included on the DDS List. VMRC is working on the list for DDS and it should be done soon.

VMRC SDAC Advisory Member Roster Update- Dena Hernandez went over the list of the people that were appointed to the committee by SCDD and VMRC. Dena will be making contact with everyone to get it updated.

Other Items: There was discussion about revisiting the role of this committee and what we need to do at the next meeting

Next Meeting March 19, 2018 at 3:00 PM at VMRC

Meeting Adjourned at 4:13 PM