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STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SELF- ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

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DATE: September 16, 2019

TIME: 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION:

Hilton Sacramento Arden West
2200 Harvard St.
Sacramento, CA 95815

Item 1. **CALL TO ORDER/ CHAIR PRO TEM** 

Item 2. **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Item 3. **ESTABLISH QUORUM**

Item 4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

This item is for members of the public only to provide comments and/or present information to the Committee on matters not on the agenda. Each person will be afforded up to three minutes to speak.

Item 5. **APPROVAL OF JULY 15, 2019 MINUTES** 

Item 6. SCDD TRAINING SURVEY

Presented by: SCDD Manager – State Plan and Self-Advocacy Rihana Ahmad

**Item 7. 2022 – 2026 STATE PLAN DEVELOPMENT:
COMMUNITY TOWN HALL MEETINGS**

Presented by: SCDD Manager – State Plan and Self-Advocacy Rihana Ahmad

Item 8. REVIEW OF COUNCIL BUSINESS

Presented by: SCDD Executive Director Aaron Carruthers

- A. SCDD AGENCY UPDATE
- B. REVIEW OF COUNCIL AGENDA

ITEMS RELATED TO COUNCIL BUSINESS ARE INCLUDED IN THE COUNCIL PACKET.

Item 9. SAAC RECOMMENDATION/INPUT TO THE COUNCIL



- A. SAAC RECOMMENDATIONS/INPUT ON COUNCIL AGENDA VOTING ITEMS
 - a. SEPTEMBER 17, 2019 COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA ITEMS
 - B. GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS/INPUT TO THE COUNCIL
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Item 10. UPDATES FROM THE REGIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Presented by: All

Item 11. SSAN REPORT

Presented by: Councilmember Wesley Witherspoon

Item 12. COMMITTEE AND OTHER UPDATES

- A. Executive Committee
 - B. Employment First Committee
 - C. Legislative and Public Policy Committee
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Item 13. MEMBER UPDATES

Presented by: All

Item 14. ADJOURNMENT

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**AGENDA ITEM 5
ACTION ITEM**

**SELF-ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

APPROVAL OF JULY 15, 2019 MINUTES

Action Recommended

Approve the July 15, 2019 SAAC Minutes

Attachments

July 15, 2019 SAAC Minutes

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**SELF-ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
July 15, 2019**

Members Present

Nicole Adler (SA)
Sandra Aldana (SA)
Jeana Eriksen (SA)
Maria Marquez (SA)
Kara Ponton (SA)
Rosanna Ryan (SA)
Wesley Witherspoon (SA)

Members Absent

Matthew Lagrand (SA)

Others Attending

Rihana Ahmad
Aaron Carruthers
Riana Hardin
Chris Snyder
Charles Nutt
Sarah May
Marianna McGinnity
Elisabeth Koeppel

1. CALL TO ORDER/CHAIR PRO TEM

Councilmember Maria Marquez (SA) called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM. In the absence of a chair for the committee, Councilmember Maria Marquez (SA) nominated Councilmember Jeana Eriksen as the Chair Pro Tem of the meeting.

Action 1:

It was moved/seconded (Marquez [SA]/Adler [SA]) to appoint Councilmember Jeana Eriksen as Chair Pro Tem of the July 2019 Self-Advocates Advisory Committee meeting. (For: Adler [SA], Eriksen [SA], Marquez [SA], Ponton [SA], and Ryan [SA]; Absent: Aldana [SA], Lagrand [SA], and Witherspoon [SA]).

2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Everyone present introduced themselves.

3. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

A quorum was established.

Legend:

SA = Self-Advocate

FA = Family Advocate

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

5. APPROVAL OF MAY 20, 2019 MINUTES

Members reviewed the minutes from the May 20th meeting. The minutes can be found starting on page 5 of the July SAAC packet.

Action 2

It was moved/seconded (Witherspoon [SA]/Marquez [SA]) and carried to approve the May 20th minutes as presented. (For: Adler [SA], Eriksen [SA], Marquez [SA], Ponton [SA], Ryan [SA] and Witherspoon [SA]; Absent: Aldana [SA], and Lagrand [SA]). Motion Passed.

6. SAAC OVERVIEW AND IMPLEMENTATION OF SAAC PRIORITIES

SCDD Self-Advocacy Coordinator Riana Hardin and SCDD Manager – State Plan and Self-Advocacy Rihana Ahmad provided members of the committee with an overview of the responsibilities of SAAC outlined in Section 2.4 of the Council Bylaws. The committee reviewed their priorities established at the March 2019 and May 2019 meetings. The priorities for this year are Health and Safety, Housing, and Education.

Committee members discussed receiving updates from Regional Advisory Committees relating to the SAAC priorities. Materials for this agenda item can be found starting on page 11 of the July SAAC packet.

7. SAAC REVIEW OF THE FACILITATION GUIDE

The committee reviewed and discussed the SCDD Facilitation Guide that was approved by the committee at the March 2017 meeting. Since the development of the Guide, SCDD updated the pay rates for attendant and facilitator services. Several members shared their thoughts on the usability of the guide and thought that it was a good tool. The Facilitation Guide was updated to reflect the rate change and will be uploaded to the SCDD website as a resource. Materials for this agenda item can be found starting on page 15 of the July SAAC packet.

Legend:

SA = Self-Advocate

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8. REVIEW OF 2022 – 2026 STATE PLAN SURVEY

Members reviewed the DRAFT 2022-2026 State Plan Survey, that was approved by the State Plan Committee at the June 27, 2019 meeting. The Self Advocates Advisory Committee was asked to provide feedback on the accessibility of the DRAFT survey, prior to consideration for approval by the Council. Materials for this agenda item can be found starting on page 49 of the July SAAC packet. The committee discussed the survey and made the following:

Recommended Changes

- Removing the use of tables in favor of check boxes and lists.
- Using the language “put in order” instead of “rank”
- Add “In addition to self-advocacy” in question number 2
- Find plain language for terms like “quality assurance”, and “formal and informal community supports”

Suggested Changes

- Use consistent language for State Council on Developmental Disabilities in the survey. Start each page with spelling out the agency name and the acronym in parenthesis.
- Use graphics to describe each question.

Action 3:

It was moved/seconded (Witherspoon [SA]/Marquez [SA]) to send the 2022-2026 State Plan Survey with the suggested edits back to the State Plan Committee to consider revising.

Discussion: The committee requested staff to clarify how their motion would affect the timeline of the distribution of the survey to the community. Since the next State Plan Committee meeting is not scheduled for several months, the proposed motion would delay the state plan development process significantly.

All members present voted Against the motion. Motion Failed.

Legend:

SA = Self-Advocate

FA = Family Advocate

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Action 4:

It was moved/seconded (Witherspoon [SA]/Marquez[SA]) and carried to amend the motion to send the 2022 – 2026 State Plan Survey to the Council with the suggested accessibility related edits. (For: Adler [SA], Aldana [SA], Eriksen [SA], Marquez [SA], Ponton [SA], Ryan [SA], and Witherspoon [SA]; Absent: Lagrand [SA]).

9. REVIEW OF COUNCIL BUSINESS

SCDD Executive Director Aaron Carruthers updated the committee on Council business that has taken place since the last committee meeting. SCDD Executive Director Aaron Carruthers also highlighted the following items on the Council agenda: The timeline for electing an Interim Chair and Vice-Chair of the Council, the Cycle 42 Grant Proposals and recommendations from the State Plan Committee, and the Projects of Excellence from the regional offices to be featured at the next Council meeting.

10. SAAC RECOMMENDATION/INPUT TO THE COUNCIL

The Committee reviewed and discussed the impact of Council business on Californians with I/DD. The following recommendations will be presented to the Council during the July 16th meeting:

Action 5:

It was moved/seconded (Aldana [SA]/ Witherspoon [SA]) to recommend approval of the State Plan Committee's recommendation to approve the two grantees for Cycle 42 and use the remaining funds to conduct outreach and training on the grant process in the community. the Council Consent Calendar items. (For: Adler [SA], Aldana [SA], Eriksen [SA], Marquez [SA], Ponton [SA], Ryan [SA], and Witherspoon [SA]; Absent: Lagrand [SA]).

11. SSAN REPORT

Materials for this agenda item can be found starting on page 59 of the July SAAC packet.

Legend:

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12. COMMITTEE AND OTHER UPDATES

Committee members shared updates from other Council Committees and were referred to the committee reports included in the Council Packet.

13. MEMBER UPDATES

Members provided updates on local activity.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

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**AGENDA ITEM 6
INFORMATION ITEM**

**SELF-ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

SCDD TRAINING SURVEY

The Self-Advocates Advisory Committee is responsible for reviewing materials and other Council produced information to evaluate and make recommendations regarding plain language approaches. Staff is requesting the committee's feedback on some questions in the SCDD Training Survey. Each question is about a federal performance measure. Staff would like SAAC's feedback on the best way to ask these questions that is easy for self-advocates and family advocates to understand and provide the information that is needed for SCDD to report back to the federal government.

Attachments

None

Potential Handouts

SCDD Training Survey

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**AGENDA ITEM 7
INFORMATION ITEM**

**SELF ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

***2022 – 2026 STATE PLAN DEVELOPMENT: COMMUNITY TOWN HALL
MEETINGS***

In putting together the 2022 – 2026 SCDD State Plan, the Regional Offices of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities will be hosting townhall meetings to gather input from the community on the system of services and supports for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities throughout the state.

Does the committee have any recommendations about the planned townhall meetings?

Attachments:

None

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**SEPTEMBER 16, 2019
AGENDA ITEM 8
INFORMATION ITEM**

**SELF ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

REVIEW OF COUNCIL BUSINESS

State Council on Developmental Disabilities Executive Director Aaron Carruthers will review Council Business with the committee.

Items related to this agenda item can be found in the Council Packet.

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**AGENDA ITEM 9
ACTION ITEM**

**SELF ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

RECOMMENDATION/INPUT TO THE COUNCIL

This agenda item is for the committee to discuss any recommendations/input to the Council. Recommendations can include items up for a vote on the Council agenda, as well as general recommendations to the Council.

Recommended Action:

None

Attachments:

None

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**AGENDA ITEM 10
INFORMATION ITEM**

**SELF ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

UPDATES FROM THE REGIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEES

This item is a follow-up to the July SAAC meeting discussion on the 2019-2020 Committee Priorities. Committee members requested updates from the Regional Advisory Committees on what is being done to address the needs of self-advocates within the SAAC priorities. Committee members are encouraged to share updates from their Regional Advisory Committee focusing on, but not limited to:

- Public Health and Public Safety
- Accessible and Affordable Housing
- Access to Education, with a special interest in inclusive education practices, transition services and post-secondary education

Attachments

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**AGENDA ITEM 11
INFORMATION ITEM**

**SELF ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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SEPTEMBER SSAN REPORT

Councilmember Wesley Witherspoon will provide the committee with an oral report of SSAN activity since the last meeting.

Attachments

None

Potential Handouts

September SSAN Report

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**AGENDA ITEM 12
INFORMATION ITEM**

**SELF ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

COMMITTEE AND OTHER UPDATES

The following Committees have met since the last Council meeting:

- A. Executive Committee – Report to be delivered by Councilmember Maria Marquez
- B. Employment First Committee – Report to be delivered by Councilmember Wesley Witherspoon
- C. Legislative and Public Policy Committee – Report to be delivered by Councilmember Wesley Witherspoon

Attachments:

None

Possible Handouts:

Committee Reports

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**AGENDA ITEM 13
INFORMATION ITEM**

**SELF ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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MEMBER UPDATES

Time permitting, members will have five minutes to provide the committee with updates regarding local and regional issues of concern for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

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**AGENDA ITEM 14
INFORMATION ITEM**

**SELF ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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ADJOURNMENT

The next committee meeting is scheduled for November 13, 2019.

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