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STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SELF-ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

POSTED AT: www.scdd.ca.gov

DATE: March 16, 2020

TIME: 1:00 P.M. until 5:00 P.M.

MEETING LOCATION:

Double Tree Sacramento
2001 Point West Way
Sacramento, CA 95815

COMMITTEE CHAIR: Jeana Eriksen

Item 1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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 Council on matters not on the agenda. Each person will be afforded up to three minutes to speak. Written requests, if any, will be read aloud.

Item 5. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 27, 2020 MINUTES



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Item 6. CHAIR AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

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- A. Administrative Committee
- B. Employment First Committee
- C. Executive Committee
- D. Legislative and Public Policy Committee
- E. Statewide Self-Determination Advisory Committee

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Presented by: S.C.D.D. Deputy Director of Policy and Public Affairs, Cindy Smith

Item 9. REVIEW OF COUNCIL BUSINESS

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Presented by: S.C.D.D. Executive Director Aaron Carruthers

- A. S.C.D.D. Agency Update
- B. Review of Council Agenda
- C. 2020 Legislative Positions, Recommendations and Priorities Update

ITEMS RELATED TO COUNCIL BUSINESS ARE INCLUDED IN THE COUNCIL PACKET

Item 10. SAAC RECOMMENDATIONS/INPUT TO THE COUNCIL 

- A. SAAC Recommendations/Input on Council
Agenda Voting Items
 - a. March 17, 2020 Council Meeting
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- B. General Recommendations/Input to the Council

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**AGENDA ITEM 5
ACTION ITEM**

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

Approval of January 27, 2020 Minutes

Action Recommended

Approve the January 27, 2020 SAAC Minutes

Attachments

January 27, 2020 SAAC Minutes

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SELF-ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
January 27, 2020

<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>	<u>Others Attending</u>
Nicole Adler (SA) Sandra Aldana (SA) Jeana Eriksen (SA) Julio Garnica (SA) Maria Marquez (SA) Matthew Lagrand (SA) Kara Ponton (SA) Rosanna Ryan (SA) Wesley Witherspoon (SA)		Rihana Ahmad Jana Chapman-Plon Aaron Carruthers Susan Crow Carmela Garnica Leah Hollis Riana Hardin Debra Ponton Nicole Patterson Vicki Smith Chris Snyder Brenna White

1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Jeana Eriksen called the meeting to order at 1:05 P.M.

2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Committee members and others in attendance introduced themselves.

3. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

A quorum was established.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

Legend:
SA = Self-Advocate
FA = Family Advocate

5. APPROVAL OF November 13, 2019 MINUTES

Members reviewed the minutes from the November 13th meeting. The minutes can be found starting on page 5 of the January SAAC packet.

ACTION 1

It was moved/seconded (Witherspoon [SA]/Ponton [SA]) and carried to approve the November 13th minutes as presented. (For: Adler [SA], Aldana [SA], Eriksen [SA], Garnica [SA], Lagrand [SA], Ponton [SA], Ryan [SA] and Witherspoon [SA]; Abstain: Marquez [SA]). Motion Passed.

6. CHAIR REPORT AND 2020 COMMITTEE GOALS

Committee Chair Jeana Eriksen updated the committee on her activity since the September SAAC meeting. She is a part of a local coalition that provides support to people who transitioned out of the Sonoma Developmental Center. The Coalition is a good example of collaborative efforts of different resources coming together to meet the needs of a community.

Eriksen reminded the committee about the Committee's focus areas, of access to Health and Safety, access to housing and access to education. Eriksen would like to focus on one topic per meeting and have members report on barriers in their area related to each goal.

7. REVIEW OF STATE PLAN GOAL 6.1 DELIVERABLES

Vicki Smith, SCDD Manager, Strategic Initiatives, reviewed State Plan Goal 6.1 deliverables with the committee and requested feedback regarding the plain language of the materials. The Committee provided feedback on the wording of the DRAFT Portrait of Services Descriptions Preamble and the DRAFT Portrait of Services Service Codes. Committee members suggested that the Preamble be reworded to reflect focus on the individual receiving services and focus on the fact that the individual receiving services has a choice in the process. The committee also recommended removing reference to an individual being nonverbal, as it is important for all clients to have a good communication system with their team.

Legend:

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8. REVIEW OF HCBS ASSESSMENT – CONSUMER INVOLVEMENT

Jennifer Parsons and Susan Crow from the Department of Developmental Services provided the committee with a handout on the 2022 HCBS Final Rule Information and requested feedback from the committee about the language and terminology usability of the document. Ms. Parsons and Ms. Crow made notes of the committee’s comments and will consider revising the document based on the feedback received.

9. REVIEW OF COUNCIL BUSINESS

S.C.D.D. Executive Director Aaron Carruthers provided the committee with agency updates and reviewed important Council business.

10. SAAC RECOMMENDATIONS/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 January 28th meeting:

ACTION 2:

It was moved/seconded (Witherspoon [SA]/ Ryan [SA]) and carried to recommend to the Council the approval of the 2020 Policy Priorities. (For: Eriksen [SA], Garnica [SA], Lagrand [SA], Marquez [SA], Ponton [SA], Ryan [SA], and Witherspoon [SA]; Abstain: Adler [SA] and Aldana [SA]). Motion carried.

11. MEMBER UPDATES

Members provided updates on their activity since the November meeting. Members shared updates on the activity of the Regional Advisory Committees, regional updates, and barriers to self-advocacy. Councilmembers shared concerns on voting accessibility, inconsistency of IHSS policy from county to county, access to transportation, bullying of people with disabilities, especially people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, concerns over budget allocations for services, the need to work with regional center cultural specialists to decrease disparities, supporting affordable housing development projects for regional center clients, working to improve paratransit services.

Legend:

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12. SSAN REPORT

Members were provided with a copy of the December SSAN Report on page 27 of the Committee Packet.

13. COMMITTEE AND OTHER UPDATES

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

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

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**AGENDA ITEM 6
INFORMATION ITEM**

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

Chair Report and Committee Updates

The SAAC Chair will provide the committee with a verbal update and members will have an opportunity to share any updates from other S.C.D.D. Committees. The following committees have met since the last January Council meeting:

- Employment First Committee
- Statewide Self-Determination Advisory Committee
- Admin Committee
- Executive Committee
- Legislative and Public Policy Committee

Attachments

None

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**AGENDA ITEM 7
INFORMATION ITEM**

**SELF ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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Statewide Self-Advocacy Network Report

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

Attachments:

None

Handouts:

March 2020 SSAN Report

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Legislative Process and Advocacy Training

S.C.D.D. Deputy Director of Policy and Public Affairs, Cindy Smith will provide the committee with an overview on the legislative process and provide a training on how to be an effective advocate when working with lawmakers.

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SELF ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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Review of Council Business

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

- A. S.C.D.D. Agency Update
- B. Review of Council Agenda
- C. 2020 Legislative Positions, Recommendations and Priorities Update

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

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**AGENDA ITEM 10
ACTION ITEM**

**SELF ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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Recommendations/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 11
INFORMATION ITEM**

**SELF ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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Member Updates

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. Updates may include:

- A. Updates from the Regional Advisory Committees
- B. Emerging Issues
- C. Barriers to Self-Advocacy

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**AGENDA ITEM 12
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Adjournment

The next committee meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2020.

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