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STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SELF-ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

POSTED AT: www.scdd.ca.gov

DATE: November 30, 2020

TIME: 1:00 P.M. until 4:00 P.M.

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 Committee on matters not on the agenda. Each person will be afforded up to three minutes to speak.

Item 5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Online Meeting Etiquette
 - B. Meeting Ground rules
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Item 6. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 MINUTES

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Item 7. 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

ITEMS RELATED TO COUNCIL BUSINESS ARE INCLUDED IN THE COUNCIL PACKET

Item 8. SAAC RECOMMENDATIONS/INPUT TO THE COUNCIL

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- A. SAAC Recommendations/Input on Council Agenda
 - Voting Items
 - a. December 1, 2020 Council Meeting Agenda Items
 - B. General Recommendations/Input to the Council
 - a. Comments on US Civil Rights Commission Subminimum Wage Report



Item 9. MEMBER UPDATES **Page 17**

- A. Impact of COVID—19 on Self—Advocacy
 - B. Updates/Concerns from Regional Advisory Committees
 - C. Emerging Issues
 - D. Barriers to Self—Advocacy
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Item 10. CHAIR AND COMMITTEE UPDATES **Page 19**

- A. Employment First Committee
 - B. Executive Committee
 - C. Membership Committee
 - D. State Plan Committee
 - E. Statewide Self—Determination Advisory Committee
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Item 12. ADJOURNMENT

Next Meeting: January 25, 2021

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**AGENDA ITEM 5
INFORMATION ITEM**

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

Announcements

Committee Chair Jeana Eriksen and SCDD staff will lead a discussion with the Committee regarding online meeting etiquette and why it is an important part of having a successful meeting. The presenters will provide basic ground rules to help facilitate open and respectful meetings and talk about helpful tools, such as Robert's Rules of Order.

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**AGENDA ITEM 6
ACTION ITEM**

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

Approval of September 14, 2020 Minutes

Action Recommended

Approve the September 14, 2020 SAAC Minutes

Attachments

September 14, 2020 SAAC Minutes

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**SELF-ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
September 14, 2020**

Members Present

Nicole Adler (SA)
Sandra Aldana (SA)
Jeana Eriksen (SA)
Julio Garnica (SA)
Matthew Lagrand [SA]
Maria Marquez (SA)
Kara Ponton (SA)
Rosanna Ryan (SA)
Wesley Witherspoon (SA)

Others Attending

Rihana Ahmad
Aaron Carruthers
Charlotte Enders
Riana Hardin
Beth Hurn
Tanneh Koayen
Joseph Nimene
MaryAgnes Nolan
Nicole Patterson
Chris Snyder
Moses Walters

1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Jeana Eriksen called the meeting to order at 1:04 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

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SA = Self-Advocate
FA = Family Advocate

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5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee Chair Jeana Eriksen reviewed basic tips for using Zoom during the meeting.

6. APPROVAL OF JULY 13, 2020 MINUTES

Members reviewed the minutes from the July 13th meeting. The minutes can be found starting on page 7 of the September SAAC packet.

ACTION 1

It was moved/seconded (Witherspoon [SA]/Ryan [SA]) and carried to approve the July 13th minutes as presented. (For: Adler [SA], Eriksen [SA], Garnica [SA], Lagrand [SA], Marquez [SA] Ponton [SA], Ryan [SA] and Witherspoon [SA]; Not Present: Aldana [SA]). Motion Passed.

7. REVIEW OF COUNCIL BUSINESS

SCDD Executive Director Aaron Carruthers updated the committee on the agency's work since the July SAAC meeting. Items discussed included SCDD's ongoing efforts to distribute Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), SCDD's partnership with the Governor's Office, the Governor's Office of Emergency Services, and the Department of Developmental Services to create a public service campaign about COVID—19 and respond to public safety concerns. Committee members reviewed other Council business, including recommendations from the Executive Committee on the members of the Nominating Committee to handle the upcoming SCDD board election, approval of the State Plan Committee's recommendation regarding 2022—2026 State Plan and updates to the SCDD Legislative Platform and Priorities.

8. SAAC RECOMMENDATIONS/INPUT TO THE COUNCIL

The Committee reviewed and discussed the impact of Council business on Californians with I/DD. The following recommendation will be presented to the Council during the July 14th meeting:

ACTION 2:

It was moved/seconded (Ryan [SA]/ Adler [SA]) and carried to recommend to the Council the approval of the State Plan Committee's recommendations for the 2022—2026 State Plan. Motion Passed unanimously.

Legend:

SA = Self-Advocate

FA = Family Advocate

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9. REVIEW PLAIN LANGUAGE VERSION OF 2022—2026 STATE PLAN

SCDD Manager, State Plan and Self—Advocacy, Rihana Ahmad reviewed the Plain Language Version of the 2022—2026 State Plan with committee members and asked for feedback on the accessibility and the language of the document.

10. MEMBER UPDATES

Committee members provided updates on what they have been doing since the July SAAC meeting. Members discussed their concerns about the air quality in their area due to the fires. Members discussed challenges with maintaining access to healthcare services, mental health, transportation, education and PPE due to the COVID—19 pandemic. Members shared emerging issues in their communities that included discrepancies in access to COVID—19 testing and other resources depending on where you live. Members expressed concern about police interaction with people with disabilities and what future responses to mental health emergencies will look like. Committee members shared their concerns on the effect COVID—19 has had on access to support services and the ongoing issue of community spread in congregant settings.

11. CHAIR AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

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

12. SSAN REPORT

Councilmember Witherspoon provided members with an update on the Statewide Self—Advocacy Network.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:57 P.M.

Legend:

SA = Self-Advocate

FA = Family Advocate

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**NOVEMBER 30, 2020
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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. This item may include:

- A. S.C.D.D. Agency Updates
- B. Review of Council Agenda items

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

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**AGENDA ITEM 8
ACTION ITEM**

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

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 9
INFORMATION ITEM**

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

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. Impact of COVID–19 on Self–Advocacy
- B. Updates/Concerns from the Regional Advisory Committees
- C. Emerging Issues
- D. Barriers to Self-Advocacy

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**NOVEMBER 30, 2020
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**SELF-ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

Chair Report and 2020 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 SCDD Committees. The following committees have met since the last September Council meeting:

- Employment First Committee
- Executive Committee
- Nominating Committee
- State Plan Committee
- Statewide Self—Determination Advisory Committee

Attachments

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**AGENDA ITEM 11
INFORMATION ITEM**

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

Statewide Self-Advocacy Network Report

Councilmember Wesley Witherspoon will provide the committee with an oral update on SSAN activity since the last meeting. The December SSAN Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 8th and Thursday, December 10th using the Zoom meeting platform.

Attachments

September SSAN Report

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**AGENDA ITEM 11
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SELF-ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Report from the Statewide Self-Advocacy Network



Recent Activity: The Statewide Self-Advocacy Network (SSAN) held their third meeting of 2020 on September 24, 2020 using Zoom.

Focus of Meeting:

Due to COVID—19 concerns, the September 2020 SSAN was shortened to a four-hour meeting held using the Zoom meeting platform. Members talked about meeting options for the December meeting and the meeting options for 2021.

SCDD Executive Director Aaron Carruthers provided SSAN members with an update on SCDD activity since the June SSAN meeting. This update included information on the agency’s efforts to advocate for people with I/DD during COVID—19, the ongoing wildfires across California, and the Public Safety Power Shutoffs (PSPS). SCDD has partnered with the American Red Cross to put together go-kits to distribute to people with I/DD throughout California. Contact your regional office for more information. SCDD continues to educate Californians with I/DD about voting in the upcoming election and the importance of participating in the 2020 Census Count. SCDD Council approved the 2022—2026 State Plan and it will be out for public comment soon. SCDD Executive Director Aaron Carruthers encouraged SSAN members to provide feedback on the SCDD 2022—2026 State Plan.

California Foundation for Independent Living Centers (CFILC) Executive Director Christina Mills and Statewide Community Organizer Russell Rawlings provided SSAN members with an overview of the different programs and networks that CFILC supports. More information on the programs covered can be found online:

- [YO! Disabled and Proud](#)
- [Disability Organizing Network](#)
- [Ability Tools](#)
- [Digital Access Project](#)
- [Disability Disaster Access and Resources](#)

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SELF-ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Report from the Statewide Self-Advocacy Network



Disability Rights California (DRC) Voting Rights Advocate Gabriel Taylor and Peer Advocate Scott Barron provided SSAN members with an overview presentation on voting in the upcoming election scheduled for November 3rd. Members discussed the importance of participating in the voting process and plans to vote in the upcoming election. The following resources were shared during this presentation:

- [California's Where is My Ballot Tool](#)
- [California's Secretary of State's Website](#)
- [California's Voter's Edge org](#)
- [League of Women's Voters Easy Voter Guide](#)
- [California's Voter's Choice Act](#)

Members reviewed and approved the September edition of the SSAN Newsletter and discussed topics for articles to include in the next edition.

Actions Taken:

- Approved the Agenda for the September 2020 SSAN Meeting
- Approved the Minutes from the June 2020 SSAN Meeting
- Approved the September 2020 Edition of SSAN Newsletter

SSAN Leadership:

Chair: Nicole Patterson, DDS Representative

Vice-Chair: Desiree Boykin, ARCA Representative

Secretary: Lisa Cooley, Sacramento Regional Representative

SSAN Workgroups:

- Officers
- Membership
- Self-Determination
- Employment
- Legislative and Civic Engagement
- Newsletter and Communications
- Youth Engagement

The next SSAN Meeting is scheduled December 8th, and December 10th, 2020 over Zoom. Please visit the [SSAN Page](#) on the SCDD website for more information.

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**AGENDA ITEM 12
INFORMATION ITEM**

**SELF ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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Adjournment

The next committee meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2021.

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