



**Council Meeting Minutes
May 29, 2014**

Members Present

April Lopez
Bill Moore
Steven Kapp
Carmela Garnica
Catherine Blakemore
Chisorom Okwuosa
Dan Boomer
David Forderer
Feda Almaliti
Janelle Lewis
Jonathan Clarkson
Jorge Aguilar
Kerstin Williams
Kris Kent
Max Duley
Molly Kennedy
Nancy Clyde
Ning Yang
Olivia Raynor
Patty O'Brien-Peterson
Ray Ceragioli
Rebecca Donabed
Robin Hansen
Sandra Smith
Santi Rogers

Members Absent

Robert Jacobs
Kecia Weller

Others Attending (cont.)

Aaron Carruthers
Anastasia Bacigalupo
Angela Lewis
Bob Phillips
Dawn Morley
Dena Hernandez
Eddie Fagin
Eric Gelber
Gabriel Rogin
Jennifer Allen
Mark Polit
Mary Agnes Nolan
Mary Ellen Stives
Mike Clark
Nancy Fellmeth
Natalie Bocanegra
Robin Maitino
Sarah Greenseid
Sarah May
Sherry Beamer
Sonya Bingaman
Tammy Eudy
Wayne Glusker
Vicki Smith
Fran Goldfarb

1. CALL TO ORDER/ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Jorge Aguilar, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and a quorum was established.

2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Members and others attending both in person and on the phone introduced themselves.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Nancy Fellmeth from Families for Early Autism Treatment and Dawn Morley on behalf of Dr. Eddie Fagin (parent) read and presented letters to the Council regarding changes to respite services involving the use of private vehicles to transport clients.

4. APPROVAL OF MARCH 2014 MEETING MINUTES

It was moved/seconded (Smith/Ceragioli) and carried to approve the March 20, 2014, Council meeting minutes as presented. (9 abstentions)

5. MTARS UPDATE

Jorge Aguilar and Mark Polit provided members with a progress update on implementing the corrective action plan as well as the status on the reimbursement process. Jorge went on to state that the Committee met on May 28, 2014 where the focus was mainly on obtaining feedback from AIDD staff regarding the draft legislative language.

Mark reported that the Council's first progress report was submitted to AIDD on May 1, 2014 with the second being submitted on June 2, 2014.

AIDD called into the meeting at 11 a.m. and addressed the Council stating that they were dedicated to helping us succeed.

In response to AIDD comments on AB 1595, the MTARS Committee brought the following resolution to the Council for amendments to AB 1595 to bring state law into full compliance with federal law:

- (1) Start the legislation with the DD Act and federal language authorities in the revisions to statute.
- (2) Review AIDD comments and make sure that language in statute reflects Council independence, free from state interference.

(3) Add language that some state provisions in statute can be done by Council with federal funds, if it is consistent with the Council's State Plan. Otherwise the Council may engage in other activities using other funds.

It was moved/seconded (Clyde/Smith) and carried unanimously to adopt the MTARS Committee resolution.

David Forderer and Ray Ceragioli requested that Council members each be mailed a copy of the federal DD Act.

6. CLOSED SESSION – PERSONNEL

The Council went into closed session.

7. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

The following actions were reported in open session:

Action 1

It was moved/seconded and carried to accept the Executive Committee's recommendation to appoint Mike Clark as Interim Executive director on a part-time basis.

Action 2

Delegate the Executive Committee to come back to the Council with recommendations with procedures and timelines to continue the Executive Director recruitment process.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Executive Committee – Molly Kennedy provided a summary of the April 3 and May 9, 2014 meetings. Additionally, the Committee brought three (3) items to the Council for action. Those items were:

By-Law Review

It was moved/seconded (Lewis/Smith) and carried to adopt the May 2014 SCDD By-Laws as amended.

Contracting and Purchasing Policies and Procedures Manual

It was moved/seconded (Aguilar/Forderer) and carried to approve the SCDD Contracting and Purchasing Policies and Procedures manual with the understanding that staff will make technical changes and bring those to Council for approval.

California Youth Leadership Forum Sponsorship Request

It was moved/seconded (Hansen/Yang) and carried to award \$10,000 to the California Youth Leadership Forum.

- b. Administrative Committee – Molly Kennedy provided a summary of the April and May Committee meetings. The proposed budget and assumptions for fiscal year (FY) 2014-15 and the Review of the Designated State Agency Evaluation were also presented to the Council.

2014-15 Proposed Budget and Assumptions

It was moved/seconded (Clyde/Forderer) and carried (21-3-1) to approve the Federal (BSG) Funds Budget for FY 2014-15 understanding that it is subject to change by future actions of the Council.

Designated State Agency Evaluation

It was moved/seconded (Yang/Lewis) and carried to accept the Administrative Committee's recommendation to approve the Review of the Designated State Agency Evaluation.

- c. Legislative and Public Policy Committee – Janelle Lewis provided a summary of recommendations from the April and May meetings. The following recommendations were acted upon:

Legislative and Public Policy Platform

It was moved/seconded (Smith/Clyde) and carried to approve the text of the Legislative and Public Policy Platform with the intended language changes. (3 abstentions)

Developmental Center Task Force Recommendations

It was moved/seconded (Garnica/Kennedy) and carried to support the recommendations of the Developmental Center Taskforce.

(1 abstention)

Legislative Recommendations

It was moved/seconded (Kennedy/Smith) and carried to adopt LPPC's recommendation to support Assembly Bill (AB) 1089, Calderon, Foster Care, as amended. (3abstentions)

It was moved/seconded (Smith/Donabed) and carried to adopt LPPC's recommendation to support AB 1687, Conway, Developmental Disabilities Bill of Rights, as amended. (3 abstentions)

It was moved/seconded (Clyde/Donabed) and carried to adopt LPPC's recommendations to support: AB 1806 (Bloom); AB 2041 (Jones); Senate Bill (SB) 1046 (Beal); SB 1093 (Liu); SB 1176 (Steinberg); and SB 1396 (Hancock). (3 abstentions)

It was moved/seconded (Clyde/Donabed) and carried to adopt LPPC's recommendations to support SB 1160 (Beall) and SB 1428 (Evans) if amended. (3 abstentions)

- d. Program Development Committee (PDC) – Nancy Clyde provided a brief summary of the April meeting noting that the name of this Committee has been changed to the State Plan Committee. The next meeting is scheduled to take place in June.
- e. Self-Advocates Advisory Committee (SAAC) – Ning Yang provided a brief summary of the May 28, 2014 meeting. The Council took action on the following SAAC recommendation.

It was moved/seconded (Yang/Lewis) and carried to adopt SAAC's recommendation to appointed David Forderer as the Council's representative to the Statewide Self-Advocacy Network (SSAN)

- f. Employment First Committee (EFC) – no report given was given.

9. **FAR NORTHERN REGIONAL CENTER CONFLICT OF INTEREST
WAIVER REQUESTS**

It was moved/seconded (Lewis/Clark) and carried to delegate the review of the Conflict of Interest Waivers to the Executive committee.

10. **STAFF REPORTS**

Area Board Executive Directors provided written reports.

11. **COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

Jorge Aguilar thanked the Council for allowing him to be of service. Molly Kennedy presented Jorge with a plaque on behalf of the Council in gratitude for helping guide the Council through challenging times.

12. **NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting is scheduled for July 16th. Meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.