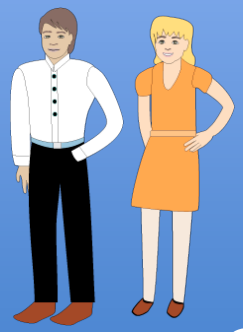
Self-Advocate Advisory Committee

CALIFORNIA SCDD

State Council on Developmental Disabilities



Advocacy

March 2012

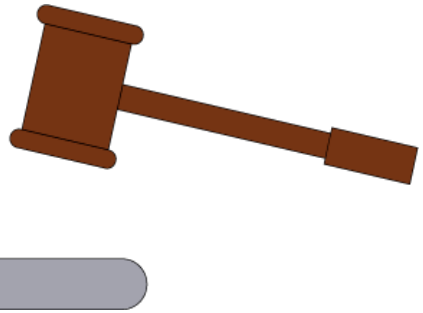
SAAC Meeting Agenda

CALL TO ORDER	**10.00-10.15**	**J. Allen**
Quorum Present?		
Self Introductions		
Public Comments		
Approve January Meeting Notes		
PERSONAL LEADERSHIP	**10.15-11.00**	**All**
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA ITEMS	**11.00-12.00**	**All**
COMMITTEE BUSINESS	**12.00-12.30**	**All**
LUNCH	**1.30-2.30**	
COMMITTEE BUSINESS (continued)	**1.30-2.45**	**All**
BREAK	**2.45-3.00**	
ADVOCACY PRESENTATION/CONFERENCE	**3.00-3.45**	**M. Gordon**
RECAP AND WRAP-UP	**3.45-4.00**	**J. Allen**
END MEETING	**4.00**	**J. Allen**

Agenda Detail

CALL TO ORDER	10:00 – 10:15	Jennifer
Quorum and Introductions		
Public Comment and approve January meeting notes		
PERSONAL LEADERSHIP	10:15 -11:00	Jennifer/SAAC
Advocacy Updates (What's happened since January?)		
Illustrate Jennifer and Lisa's plan (Think-Plan-Do strategy)		Jennifer/Lisa
Facilitation Check-in (How it's working? How can we help facilitators?)		Lisa
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA ITEMS	11:00 -12:00	Jennifer/SAAC
Legislation		
Governor's Budget		
Sponsorship Requests		
SAAC Report & SAAC Member Reports		
COMMITTEE BUSINESS		
Council Chairperson Report	12:00 -12:30	Leroy Shipp
Meeting process discussion/suggestions		Jennifer /SAAC
LUNCH	12:30 -1:30	
COMMITTEE BUSINESS	1:30 -2:45	Jennifer/SAAC
Election of SSAN representative		
Committee Communication and Resources (flash drives, website, emails)		
Update on Committee activities		
BREAK	2.45 - 3:00	
ADVOCACY	3:00 – 4:00	Jennifer/SAAC
CRPD, NACDD Conference		M Gordon/SAAC
Recap and Adjourn		Jennifer

Call to Order



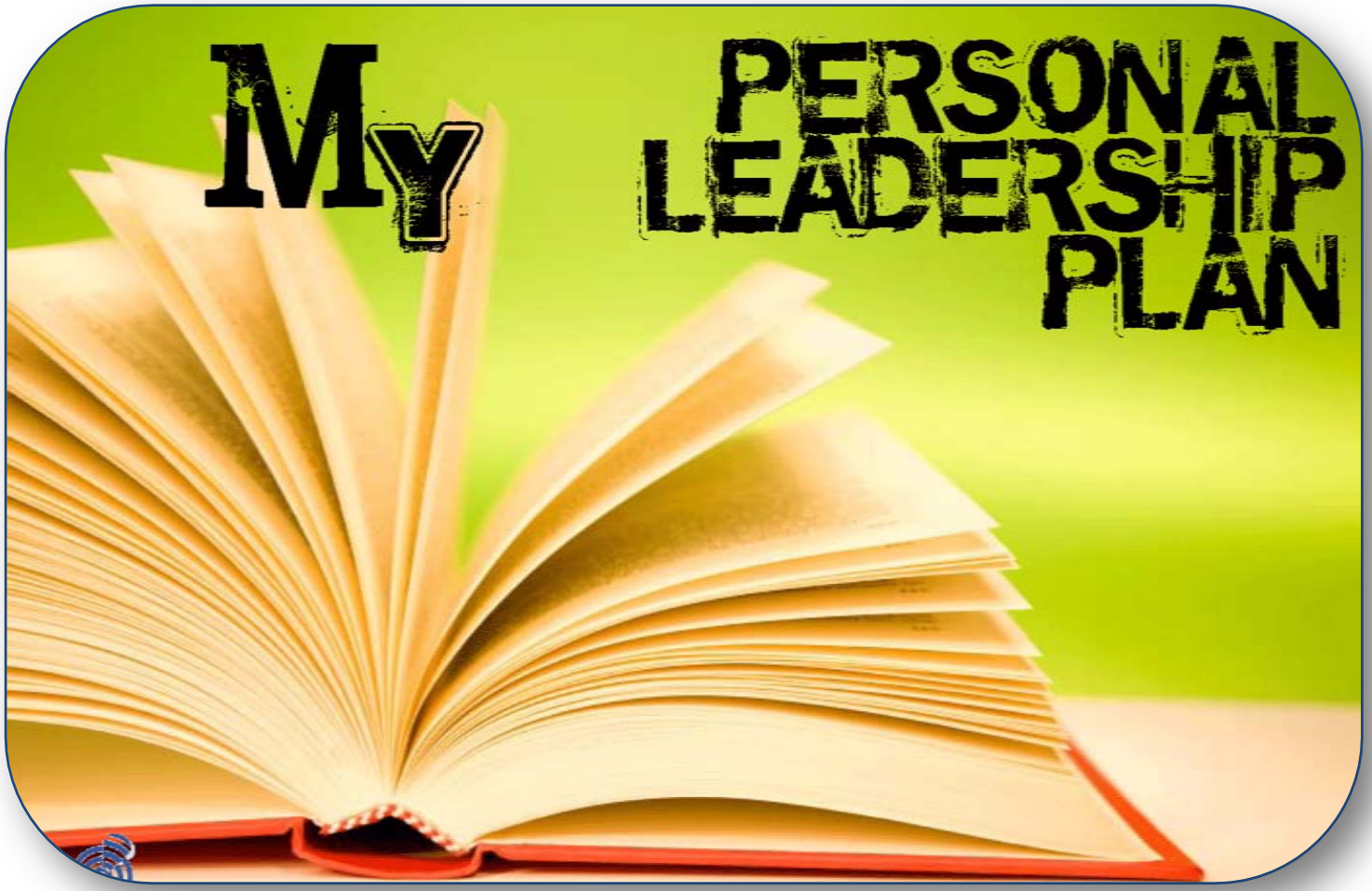
Introductions and Quorum

Public Comments

Approval of January 2012 Minutes

= Action Item

Personal Leadership - Advocacy



Personal Leadership

Action Plan Updates

What has changed since January

ADVOCACY MISSION
LEADERSHIP GOALS, PLAN AND ACTION STEPS

Mission:
Provide information about resources and independent decision-making to high school students who are preparing to enter the community. Use my experiences to encourage and lead others by my example in advocacy leadership, financial planning and organization

Leadership Goals (What the goals mean to me)

THINK
Presentations/Trainings (what it means to me)

Giving presentations is pure joy, makes me feel successful & satisfied. It is a way of sharing experience and what I've learned so others can have a good life. My life was very difficult in the past but much better now. If I can share my experience with younger people. It will give my past struggles meaning & value. I am proud that I can share, teach & lead by example in many areas that people, especially young adults. have a hard time understanding.

Plan	Do/Steps	Support/Team	Due
ID groups to make presentations on rights and respect	Contact Dave Lopez for names of places and dates	On my own	2/2012
SLI - present at PF groups and PAC	Meet with Ed - dates, content	On my own	2/2012
Present at SLI advocacy conference	Complete application and submit to SLI	On my own	1/2012

Note: Use SAAC check list for each presentation, give out evaluation forms and bring back to SAAC. Report outcomes to SAAC at meetings.

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Personal Leadership

THINK - PLAN – DO

What does it mean?

- consider something before taking an action
- having a belief or opinion
- basis for a plan
- imagine something

Your words: _____

http://www.definitions.net/definition/think

Personal Leadership

THINK - **PLAN** – DO

What does it mean?

- an outline (roadmap) to accomplish something
- a series of steps to carry out to reach a goal
- an idea about what to do and how to do it

Your words: _____

http://www.definitions.net/definition/plan

Personal Leadership

THINK - PLAN – **DO**

What does it mean?

- perform an action
- accomplish something

Your words: _____

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Facilitation Check In

Category	Preparation	Meetings	Follow up	Organization	Check in 3/2012

FACILITATION

PURPOSE – PLANNING – PRACTICE

Facilitation Plan

All members of boards, committees and councils must be able to participate equally and make informed decisions. It is important that members who need assistance on a board, committee or council be encouraged and made aware that accommodations are available to enhance their participation.

The following worksheets are designed as a self-survey that addresses a range of facilitation support needs to help identify type and amount of support that may be useful. The worksheets are designed to be completed with the member and facilitator. Discussion with the facilitation team is an important component of the self-survey. It provides an opportunity to learn how the team will work together and best ways to provide support.

W1

- Look over facilitation summary
- How is it going?
- Do you want to make changes?

- How can we help facilitators?

Council Meeting Agenda Items

- Legislation
- Budget
- Sponsorships
- SAAC and member reports to SCDD

Employment First Policy

Policy

It is the policy of the State of California that integrated competitive employment is the priority outcome for working age individuals with developmental disabilities.

In plain language:

"Work is for all"

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Legislation

AB 2338 Employment First (like AB254 which did not pass)

Includes parts that say Employment First Policy is consistent with Lanterman Act and does not take away rights to make choices about services or supports.

Includes a part that says Employment First Policy does not expand entitlement.

May be less costly because only requires planning team to talk about school-to-work at IPP meeting and inform people about Employment First Policy.

(No Requirements)

School-to-work plans for students 14yrs. & older,
DDS collect data from Regional Centers on progress
DDS "may" collect data)

LPPC: Will review the bill and make recommendation for the Council meeting.

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Legislation

AB 171 PDD/Autism (close loopholes)

Requires health care plans to cover pervasive developmental disorder or autism – but not provide more than benefits required under federal law.

Prevents plans from denying, terminating or refusing to renew coverage because of diagnosis or receiving treatment for these conditions.

LPPC: Support with amendments to make sure definition of autism is same as in proposed DSM V - Diagnostic and Statistical Manual 5.

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Legislation

AB1244 Self-Determination Program
(upon approval of federal waiver)

Creates Self-Determination Program within existing system.

Individual funding to be used to purchase services that support IPP goals.

Individual Choice budgets implemented when DDS certifies that the program will save $35.1 million.

LPPC: Continue to support with amendment that allows a choice of using historical service spending amount (modeled cost) for individual budget.

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Legislation

AB 1553 Medi-Cal Managed Care

Establish a way a Medi-Cal user can receive health care though fee-for-service (example: using a doctor outside of managed care group who takes Medi-Cal), if available , as alternative to using a managed care plan.

LPPC: Support

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Legislation

AB1554 Regional Centers

Requires Regional Centers to post information about

- Rates paid to vendors (except families and individuals with developmental disabilities)
- Money paid to nonprofit housing organization

LPPC: Support if amended to take away requirement to post vendor rates because information could be unreliable and add to workload may impact services and supports.

Council Agenda Items

Legislation

AB 1525 *Reporting* Abuse

Include person or organization involved in money transfers as a "mandated" reporter of suspected financial abuse of a senior or person with disability.

LPPC: Support with a training component added for employees.

Council Agenda Items

2012-13 Governor's Budget

Proposes many reductions that impact people with disabilities.

Recognizes $9.2 billion deficit from end of 2011-2012 and for 2012-12.

LPPC: Recommends adopting a set of principles before taking positions on budget proposals

Council Agenda Items

Council Principles - Budget

Budget solutions for state $$ crisis:

- Should not impact persons with developmental disabilities more than other groups of Californians.
- Must not result in health or safety risks, less community inclusion, less productivity, or reduce choice and self-direction.
- Must not change civil/social rights service model or reduce service quality.
- Must look at whole state to find cost saving administration, not just impact direct services.

Council Agenda Items

Council Principles - Budget

Budget solutions for state $$ crisis:

- Must not go against basic laws that protect human rights.
- Must look for all available income.
- May outline level of entitlement but not eliminate access to services.
- Must be shared with whole DD system, not only community services.
- Must protect continuity and avoid gaps in lives and services needed.
- Must not weaken IPP process and outcomes.
- Must be as far away from direct impact to people.

Council Agenda Items

2012-13 Governor's Budget Individual Proposals

Department of Developmental Services
Community Services Program, $ 79.2 million increase over 2011-2012.

LPPC: Oppose $200 million trigger reductions.

Review this item again after DDS issues proposed plan to address $200 million reduction

Council Agenda Items

2012-13 Governor's Budget

Individual Proposals

Department of Developmental Services - Developmental Centers

LPPC: Stop admissions to Developmental Centers and give Regional Centers flexibility and funding to provide community services and supports.

Council Agenda Items

2012-13 Governor's Budget

Individual Proposals

Department of Social Services IHSS
eliminates domestic and related services for nearly 254,000 with exceptions.

LPPC: Oppose

Department of Social Services – IHSS
20% cut in hours (to begin April1, 2012 but court has stopped so far)

LPPC: Oppose

Department of Social Services
IHSS, people with Medi-Cal and Medicare required to enroll in managed care.
IHSS included in managed care plans.

LPPC: Oppose expansion of pilot programs and mandatory enrollment into managed care– not sure it will save money or improve services.

Council Agenda Items

2012-13 Governor's Budget

Individual Proposals

Department Health Care Services Medi-Cal
Shifts 1 million + seniors and persons with disabilities on both Medi-Cal and Medicare into managed care.

Expands managed care to include IHSS, other home and community-based services and nursing care.

LPPC: Oppose and review when details about how this will be done are available.

Council Agenda Items

2012-13 Governor's Budget
Individual Proposals

Department Health Care Services - Medi-Cal
Reduces eligibility for Medical Therapy Program, creates income test.

LPPC: Oppose

Department Health Care Services
Requires Medi-Cal users to select health plan during yearly "open enrollment" period and stay in plan for a year.

LPPC: Oppose

Council Agenda Items

2012-13 Governor's Budget

Individual Proposals

Department of Mental Health
Cuts all funding for Caregiver Resource Centers that serve individuals with brain injuries.

LPPC: Oppose

Department of Rehabilitation
Vocational Rehabilitation, increase $6 million over 2011-12.

LPPC: Support

Department of Rehabilitation
Independent Living Services, decrease $86, 000 over 2011-12.

LPPC: Support

Council Agenda Items

2012-13 Governor's Budget

Individual Proposals

Department of Education
General mandates, proposes end to many types of informational notices.

LPPC: Oppose end to mandates for behavioral intervention plans, pupil suspensions, expulsions and seclusion appeals, and notification of truancy.

Department. of Education
Special Education, reduces by $24.3 million to reflect increase from property tax.

LPPC: Support

Department of Education – Increase special education by $12.3 million.

LPPC: Support

Council Agenda Items

2012-13 Governor's Budget

Individual Proposals

California Community Colleges
Combines $$ for all programs and lets colleges use funding for any purpose.

LPPC: Oppose unless DSP is removed from consolidation proposal.

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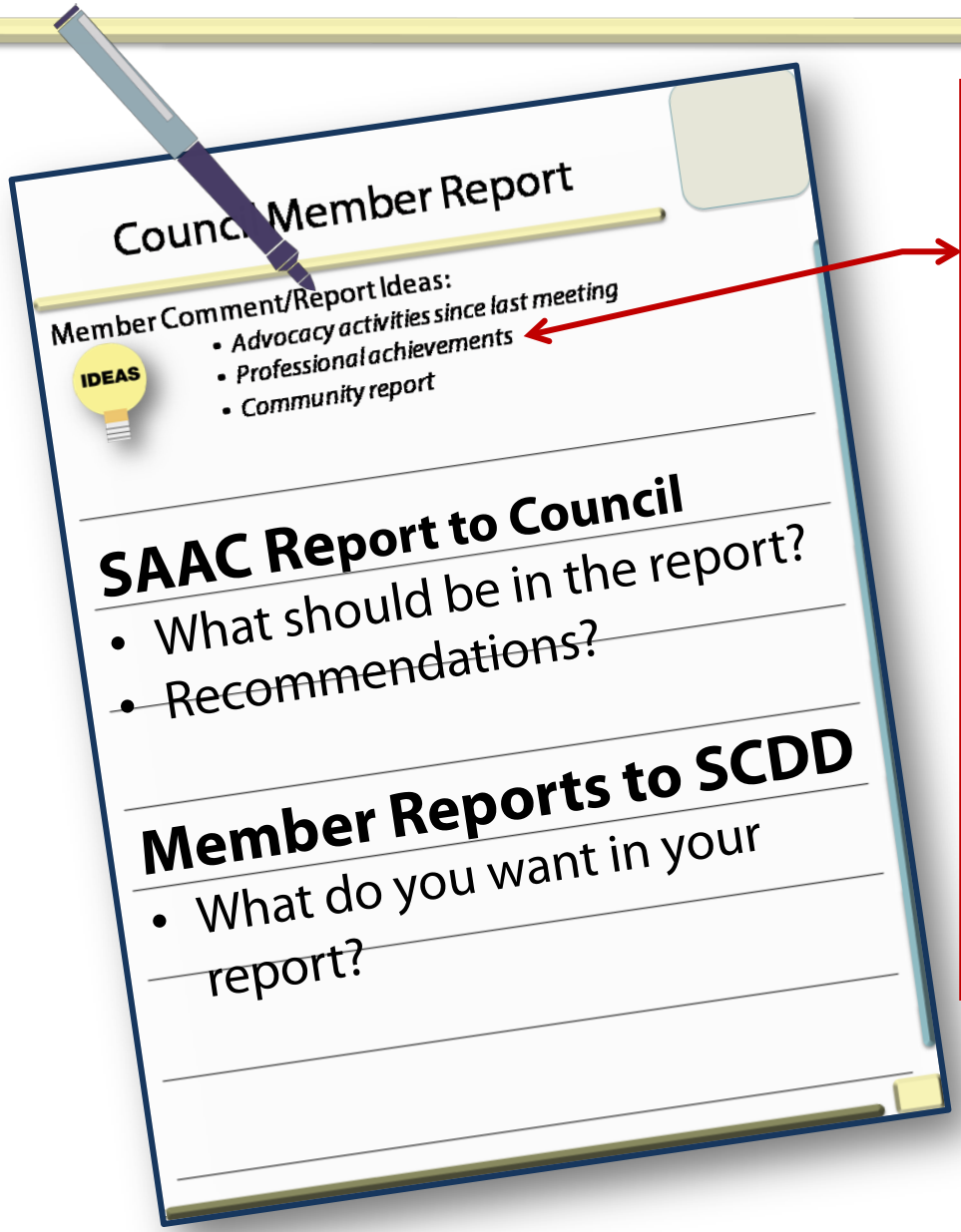
Sponsorship Request

UCP of San Diego County requests $999 to assist in paying stipends for Director and staff members of College Bound program.

College Bound

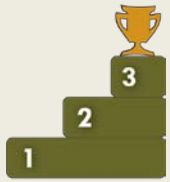
1 week on-campus living and learning experience for youth with developmental disabilities on campus of UC San Diego in July 2012.

SAAC Reports - Chair and Members



THINK about what you want share with the Council.

PLAN - your notes



DO - Give your report

Committee Business

- Council Chairperson Report
- SCDD meeting process recommendations
- Election of SSAN representative
- Committee communication Discussion
- Update on committee activities

Committee Business

(1) **Leroy Shipp, SCDD Chairperson**

Council Report

Update 2011-2012 SAAC activities

SAAC community education

(2) **Leroy Shipp and SAAC member**s

SCDD meeting process discussion

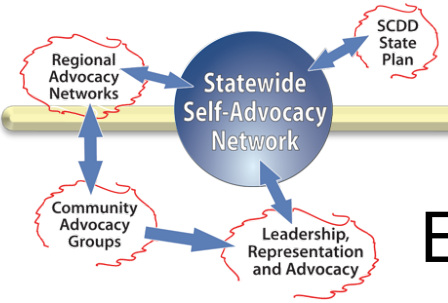
Recommendations

THINK

PLAN

DO

Lunch Break



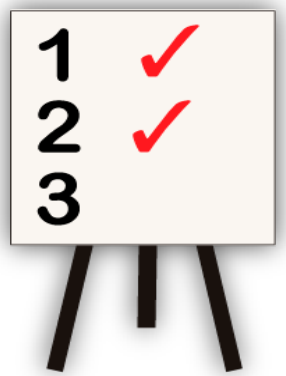
Committee Business

Election of SSAN Representative

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Represent the SAAC with up to 8 hours/month time commitment.
- Attend two-day statewide meetings 4 times a year.
- Help develop advocacy plans for the SAAC and Network with outcomes.
- Help carry out advocacy activities with self-advocacy groups and organizations.
- Reach out to others - seniors, students, multi-cultural groups - to share information.
- Work on an individual leadership plan.
- Help prepare reports on advocacy work.
- Participate in phone calls, videoconferences, email, Skype, etc.

Committee Business



(1) **Committee Communication**

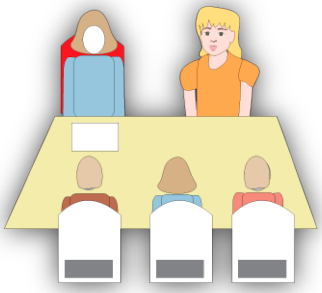
Keeping in touch between meetings
Sharing information with each other
Learn about what is happening in the community

Chair and Vice Chair will stay in contact with members through calls or email:

- What's working?
- What's not?

(2) **Committee Resources**

- Flash Drives
- Resource website www.scddadvocacy.org
- Other?



(3) **Update on Committee activities**

Committee Business

Community Presentations

- Revised template
- Revised checklist
- Evaluation

Advocacy

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities CRPD

Michelle Gordon, DDS CAC

Advocacy

National Association of
Councils on Developmental Disabilities

Annual Conference – Oct. 2012
Los Angeles, CA
Building Community Inclusion

Call for proposals: Selected areas of focus

- Competitive, community based employment
- Inclusion of self-advocates in generic, community based leadership development, and grass roots coalitions
- Supporting people with developmental disabilities to assume valued roles in the community

Wrap - Up

Meeting evaluation form

Comments and questions

Recap committee decisions

Community outreach