

SELF-DETERMINATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

February 4, 2021

MINUTES

PRESENT

Pierre Landry, Chair
Karla Garcia-Diaz
Mariko Magami
Howard McBroom
Zulma Mena
Brianna Reynoso
Michelle Wolf

NOT PRESENT

Lareka Killebrew

STAFF

Adrian Jimenez
Carmine Manicone
Melinda Sullivan

GUESTS

Mark Altieri
Marley Gomez
Cathy Gott
Various Guests from the Public

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Landry called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM. The meeting was held via Zoom.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of January 7, 2021 were approved by consensus.

DDS REPORTING TOOL

Mr. Jimenez presented the FDLRC Reporting Tool for information only. Copies of the tools were included in the Committee packet for review.

UPDATE ON THE PROMOTORA PROJECT/FIESTA EDUCATIVE

Ms. Gomez gave an update on her outreach to Spanish speaking families and reported that a good portion are waiting for the pandemic to pass before moving forward. Ms. Gomez reported that she is continuing to reach out to families and develop a rapport.

SDAC PROPOSAL FOR RECOMMENDED ACTIONS UPDATE

Ms. Sullivan update the Committee on the following funding options for the SDAC Funding Directive for 2019-2020.

NEEDS IDENTIFIED

RECOMMENDATIONS TO FDLRC

- 1) More individual coaching through the process (“handholding“)

- **Extend the Promotora program.** (\$25,000 for another year)

Update 1/7/21: Marley Gomez gave an update on her outreach to Spanish speaking families and reported that a good portion are waiting for the pandemic to pass before moving forward.

Update 2/4/21: After continued dialogue on providing Self-Determination information to families and coaching them through the process, the Committee agreed to budget up to \$2,500 to purchase scholarships for families to participate in SDP workshops.

- 2) Monthly reports with better data analysis

- **Hire a data analysis consultant.** Work with the consultant to develop a data-needs plan, then use the part time contractor for regular monthly and ad hoc data analyses (~\$1,500)

Update 1/7/21: Ms. Sullivan is exploring the option of using an analysis consultant used by the Center.

Update 2/4/21: Ms. Sullivan is meeting with Linda Decon and will bring back information at the next meeting.

- 3) Better access to IFs, PCP facilitators and FMSs

- **Contribute \$5,000 to support the Gott platform.**

Update 1/7/21: Cathy Gott and Mark Altieri gave an update on platform design. An estimated Beta Launch date is in May 2021.

Update 2/4/21: Cathy Gott advised the Committee that she will no longer need the contribution from the Center. The project is now receiving support from Mr. Altieri. Ms. Gott thanked the Committee for their continued support.

4) Make SDAC meetings available to everyone

- **Offer translation into Spanish** (\$3,600/12 mos.)
- Gauge the need for other translation services

Update 1/7/21: Implemented

5) Improve training and orientations

- **Develop training videos in collaboration with other RCs**

Update 1/7/21: Ms. Sullivan is reaching out to NLARC and SGPRC to see if a partnership can be developed.

Update 2/4/21: Mr. Jimenez is working on developing concepts for 5 video topics. They will eventually be produced in English and Spanish.

6) Better training for Independent Facilitators

- **Develop a Request for Proposals to train and coach independent facilitators**

Update 1/7/21: NLARC and SGPRC already put out RFP. Ms. Sullivan is reaching out to them to see if a partnership can be developed.

UPDATE ON THE EDUCATIN SPECTRUM WEB PLATFORM

This agenda item was covered under the update on the SDAC Proposal for Recommended Actions.

FINALIZE SDAC MEETING DATES FOR 2021

- March – DARK
- **April 1, 2021**
- May – DARK

- **June 3, 2021**
- July – DARK
- **August 5, 2021**
- September – DARK
- **October 7, 2021**
- November – DARK
- December - DARK

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 PM.

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