

Department of Developmental Services (DDS)
Disabilities Advisory Committee (DAC)

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 17, 2012
11:00 a.m.

Members Attended

Michael Januse (via telephone)
Yash Manchanda (via telephone)

Others Attending

Nicole Patterson (via telephone)

Members Absent:

Diana Hendrickson

Had major problems with ATT and these could not be fixed till 10:50. The members were called on telephone and advised about the problems. Yash Manchanda called the meeting to order at 10:55 AM.

I. Approval of Minutes

Since there was no quorum, the members were asked to review the minutes from September 2012 meeting. September and August 2012 minutes were **tabled because of Lack of Quorum**.

II. Old Business:

- **DAC goals** –New Members Recruitment – **Nicole Patterson** – No one showed any interest. Michael has a possibility of one person
- **October Disability Awareness plans** – **Nicole Patterson** – Fairview and Porterville, at a later date. Sonoma not too sure yet. Nicole will talk to Diana about it. At Headquarters, the **“10 Commandments” DVD** will be shown to staff on October 29th.
- **October Disability Awareness –at LDC: Yash**
 1. **“10 Commandments” DVD** was shown on 2nd (8 Staff) and 9th of October (14 Staff). Plans are underway to show it on October 25th, every hour on the hour from 9 AM to 4 PM, with a possibility of showing it on October 23rd during BLOCK training.
 2. During General Employees meeting of October 16th, the announcement was made about showing DVD all day on October 25th
- DAC Article in News and Notes **was Published On 10/12/12**
- Yash thanked Nicole for sending 25 copies of Revised DAC Brochure

III New Business:

- **October Disability Awareness Plans** – Fairview, Sonoma, Porterville, and HQ – **Nicole** - See notes above
- **Meeting with CCCC** – California Coalition of Compassionate Care (CCCC) has developed “Thinking Ahead” booklet in collaboration with DDS. One of its new Program Director, Ms. Meg McClaskey, met with **Ms. Tess Caisip** (Director of Nursing Coordination), **Dr. Terry Eakin** (Director Psychology Department) and **Dr. Yash Manchanda** (Psychologist Program One) informally on September 24th to see what CCCC can do to assist DDS. Summary of the meeting were sent to DAC members
- **Healthcare Decisions Week, Oct28-Nov 3, 2012** – The message sent by another member of CCCC to help staff and others to talk to people about making decisions for long term was widely distributed in LDC, especially in Program One, via its Newsletter “Program One Vitals”.
- October Bulletin of Department of Social Services’ **FAST** committee, **ASSISTING PEOPLE WITH ACCESS AND FUNCTIONAL NEEDS**
Of Deaf and Hard of Hearing was mailed to DAC Members and distributed via Program One Newsletter “Program One Vitals”.
- **November and December 2012 Meetings** – Discussion was held about lack of quorum, the holiday season, and not enough membership of the committee. The members present decided to **CANCEL November and December meetings** and focus major effort on recruitment of new members. Members have agreed to stay in touch on a regular basis till the next meeting.
- **Other** – there were no other issues discussed.

IV Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Next Meeting: January 16, 2013 at 10:30 a.m. in Room TBD (unless rescheduled)

Respectfully Submitted:

Yash Manchanda
Acting Chairperson