

California Department of Developmental Services
Disability Advisory Committee (DAC)

Teleconference Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 10, 2014
1:30p.m.

Members Attended:

Tami Wasson (FDC), Chair
LaDonna J. Brown (HQ)

Guest:

Alice Lee (OHRAS-Support)
Kathleen Ozeroff (HQ)

Absent:

Nancy Britton (FDC) (*Excused absence*)
Nicole Patterson, OHRAS Liaison (HQ - Support)
Kerri Gavin (SDC)
K.C. Adalco (LDC), Vice Chair

Tami Wasson called the meeting to order at 1:41p.m.

- **Approval of October 15 Minutes were tabled to the next meeting. No quorum was present.**

Tami will ask K.C. to chair the January meeting should she be on vacation.

ACTION: LaDonna to post minutes, once approved.

Bylaws Sub-Committee Report-

The Bylaws were submitted to Director Santi Rogers.

ACTION: Kathleen to follow-up on status. Nicole will have posted the bylaws, if approved – they should remain posted for at least one month.

Old Business-

DDS ADA Celebration Photos: According to Kathleen, Nancy Lundgrun was unable to find the DDS ADA Celebration/Picnic photos from July 23, 2014. **NO ACTION:** This effort will be scratched.

Recruiting New DAC Members: Kathleen's thoughts were that in order to increase/build the DAC membership that the Reasonable Accommodation Coordinators should be made members to help keep meeting consistency.

ACTION: Kathleen will contact the RA Coordinators and their supervisors on this issue, according to the DAC guidelines before the next meeting. Kathleen to send Alice the

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revised recruitment letter to be sent to the general population and RA Coordinators. It is to be sent no later than the second week of January 2015.

New Business-

Disability Awareness Month: Kathleen would like to meet with DSH, DSS for a collaborative NDEAM event (e.g. vocational programs, People First...work on inclusion). Planning for the next National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM) should begin January 2015.

Report on DDS Disability Awareness Month Speaker Series: The DDS Disability Awareness Speaker Series, during the month of October 2014 went well. Average attendance was at 14 persons from various agencies. Alice did a phenomenal job in securing the series speakers, and they expressed an interest in returning for 2015.

Statewide Disability Advisory Council Meeting (SDAC) Report – Alice Lee
On Thursday, November 20, 2014, the SDAC reported information on State Personnel Board's (SPB) Compliance Audit. The EEO representatives were not answering to the higher-ups, etc. Alice will attend the next SDAC meeting.

There was a meeting requested by Elizabeth Drake of STEP ACTIONS to meet with DAC. **ACTION:** Kathleen will check with Nicole to see if she has contacted Ms. Drake for clarification of what her interest is in the DAC.

New Look at 2015 Goals: DAC is implementing the 2014 goals now, so the committee hold off on establishing 2015 goals.

Updating DAC website pages: The Fragrance Free article was posted on DDS OASIS website. There has been no feedback from viewers/readers. Kathleen says DAC should post annually.

ACTION: DAC to send out the Fragrance Free Article to DDS All-Staff via Reasonable Accommodation Coordinators.

LaDonna will work with ISD to post DAC approved agenda and minutes to the website. Other updates will be placed on hold until committee changes are stabilized. It was also suggested that DAC 2014 Accomplishments be posted to the website as well.

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Meeting adjourned at 2:15p.m.

Next Meeting January 14, 2015

Respectfully Submitted:

LaDonna J. Ross
Secretary