

California Department of Developmental Services
Disability Advisory Committee (DAC)
Teleconference Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 11, 2021
10:00 a.m.

Members in Attendance:

Alexandra “Alex” Sanders: (HQ-Sacramento), Interim Chairperson
Anastacia “Stacie” Reed: (HQ-Sacramento), Secretary
Nataki Owino: (HQ-Sacramento)
Alexandra Bravo: (HQ-Sacramento)
Hussain Quettawala: (HQ-Sacramento)
Brandon Marin: (HQ-Sacramento)

Representatives and Guests:

Claudia Lutz: (HQ-Sacramento)
Jacki Maciel: (HQ-Sacramento)
Dena Ruiz: (HQ-Sacramento)
Mario Solis: (HQ-Sacramento)
Dave Dempsey (HQ-Sacramento)

Members/Representatives Absent:

Patty Jamal
Hope Beale: (HQ-Sacramento)
Ralph Jewell: (HQ-Sacramento)
Ayana Kiburi: (California Arts Council (CAC), DAC Representative)
Jacki Maciel (HQ-Sacramento)
Dianne Robbins, Esq: (HQ-Sacramento)
Jessica Ross: (HQ-Sacramento)
Seneca St. James: (HQ-Sacramento)
Charles Seilestad: (HQ-Sacramento)

The meeting began at 10:02a.m.

Alex Sanders welcomed the membership and guests.

DAC November 2020 Minutes:

The DAC did not meet quorum; therefore, the November 2020 minutes will be sent to the members by email for a vote.

Sub-committee Reports:

Speakers and Trainings Subcommittee:

- Alex advised that prior to the COVID-19 quarantine, the DAC had several trainings in mind that do not seem feasible any longer. She

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suggested we reconsider these trainings and come up with ideas for new ones.

- The Trauma Informed Care (TIC) presentation by Dr. Nadine Burke Harris is one of those trainings that no longer seems feasible as it is likely that Dr. Harris is busy with COVID-19 related issues.
- In lieu of Dr. Harris, Alex suggested having Dr. Maureen Rubin provide a training on TIC. Alex shared that she has recently seen an outstanding presentation on TIC by Dr. Rubin. Alex will send a link to the recording of the training to the membership.
- July 2021 is Americans With Disabilities Act Month
 - Alex mentioned that July 2021 is Americans With Disabilities Month. In the past, we have hosted an ADA special event, but as COVID-19 restrictions are ongoing, we won't be able to have one this year. Alex asked for ideas on having a possible virtual celebration.

DAC Recruitment and Renewals

- Alex mentioned that the DAC should prepare for DAC recruitment:
 - Alex will send out the recruitment memo, which will be signed by Carla Castaneda, on behalf of Nancy Bargmann.
 - Alex and Dena Ruiz will begin to develop a DAC recruitment video. Alex encouraged the membership to volunteer to assist in this project.
 - Mario Solis' recommended to ensure that the video is accessible. The DDS DAC should lead by example.
 - Alex called for volunteers to join this subcommittee as the existing members need assistance, especially with aligning with LEAP requirements.
 - DAC should focus on recruiting new members with disabilities.

Signage and Logo Subcommittee:

- This Committee's projects are on hold.

ADA Taskforce Subcommittee

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- This committee's projects are on hold. However, Alex did share that the parking spots at the Allenby Building are sparse, but do meet ADA requirement.

DDS DAC Homepage Subcommittee

- This committee's projects are on hold.

Annual By-Law Review Subcommittee:

- Alex indicated she is finishing her review of the draft By-Laws. She indicated that it will be shared with the membership once she has completed her review.

DDS CAC DAC Charter Subcommittee:

- Alex indicated that the review of the draft DAC CAC Charter is still in progress. Once the committee has completed its review, the next reviewer in the chain is the Office of Legal Affairs.

Announcements

- The DAC had nothing to report at this time.

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New Business

- **DAC Goals-** Alex indicated that the DAC should develop new goals. She will send out an email to the membership to refresh goals.

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- **DAC Calendar**-Since COVID-19 requirements are still on-going, the DAC will need to decide on what kind of calendar should be followed...monthly...quarterly...bi-annual. Stacie to send out a survey to membership.
- **Fundraising**-Alex will send out an email to the membership for ideas on fundraising for the DAC. She encouraged the membership to get creative for in-person and virtual fundraising ideas.
- **DAC Art Project**-Alex indicated that DAC's plans for an art project is still an exciting idea. She asked for volunteers to man a sub-committee for the project.

Open Agenda

- The DAC had nothing to report at this time.

This meeting adjourned at 10:28a.m.
The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 9, 2021, at 10:00a.m.
Respectfully submitted: Anastacia Byrne-Reed