



ELARC Self Determination Local Volunteer Advisory Committee

September 21, 2021 Meeting Notes

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Zoom Meeting- How to Join:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86424396829?pwd=YldUNm9wdGZ4ZzBTck1SK0FUaVN4UT09>

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Meeting ID: 864 2439 6829

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Due to the State and local health orders, the Self Determination Local Volunteer Advisory Committee meeting was held by remote participation only

Members Present: Virgilio Orlina, Carola Maranon, Cathay Liu, Josefina Nieves, Mei Ye, Yougen Sun, Alex Scarlis

Members Absent: Carl Blum (excused), Edith Espiritu

ELARC Staff: Gloria Wong, Edith Hernandez, Lonetta Johns-Yarleque, Liz Harrell, Brendali Maldonado, Liz Ornelas, Roxy Ortiz, Andrea Macias, Lily Ortega, Veronica Valenzuela, Ursula Cerezo, Karena Perez, David Castaneda, Judy Perez,

State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD) Los Angeles Regional Office: Chris Arroyo

DDS Liaison: Perla Zuniga

Guests: (not a complete list) Connie Legaspi, Jacobed Garcia, Kimberly Bermudez, Jeff Rickel, Nancy

I. Welcome and Introduction

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Virgilio Orlina, Chair.

II. Community Input (3 minutes per person)

- None

III. Approval of the Agenda and Minutes (ATT#1)

M/S/C (Y. Sun/A. Scarlis) To approve the Minutes of the Self Determination Local Volunteer Advisory Committee of July 20, 2021 with corrections noted by Mr. Scarlis. Unanimous

IV. Election of LVAC Chair and Vice Chair

Two nominations, once for Cahir, Cathay Liu and one for Vice-Cahir, Josefina Nieves. LVAC members were asked to for Chair position for candidate Cathay Liu: Virgilio Orlina- aye; Carola Maranon- aye; Cathay Liu- aye; Josefina Nieves- aye; Mei Ye- aye; Yougen Sun- aye; Alex Scarlis- aye

Unanimous vote for Cathay Liu as Chair of the LVAC

LVAC members were asked to vote for Vice-Chair Position for candidate Josefina Nieves: Virgilio Orlina- aye; Carola Maranon- aye; Cathay Liu- aye; Josefina Nieves- aye; Mei Ye- aye; Yougen Sun- aye; Alex Scarlis- aye

Unanimous vote for Josefina Nieves as Vice-Chair of the LVAC

Newly Appointed Chair Ms. Cathay Liu asked outgoing chair Virgilio Orlina to lead the meeting and she will lead the next meeting.

V. Updates

A. Statewide

1. Approved Trailer Bill Language re: SDP

- Ms. Roxy Ortiz provided a presentation on this subject.

Questions:

Ms. Maranon's question: eligibility for Medi-Cal. What happens if someone cannot qualify for Medi-Cal due to income? Answer: if they don't qualify due to income, they will go through institutional deeming. How long could it take? SC's can assist with that process even before they decide into going to SD. Additionally Ms. Lonetta Johns-Yarleque stated that SC's already do that in traditional services. That is offered as families come in to the RC.

The requirements of the IF, is that for the implementation or the upkeep? It's just a change in standards.

2. SSDAC

- Mr. Virgilio Orlina indicated that the SSDAC has not met. They have not sent the next meeting date.

Question:

The next statewide meeting, will the new chair and vice chair attend? Ms. Liz Harrell answered that Ms. Cathay Liu and Ms. Josefina Nieves will go through the orientation, but yes, they will attend.

Request made by Ms. Liz Harrell to change the order of the agenda, due to Mr. Chris Arroyo having to leave at 7pm. LVAC agreed to change the order. Mr. Chris Arroyo updated the members on the Bagley-Keene requirements regarding having meetings in person. Mr. Arroyo explained that the Governor signed a bill that extended the deadline to continue having public meetings virtually. This extension is until to January 2022. He will pass more information once it becomes available.

Question: What are the specific requirements? With Bagley- Keene itself, as it's written, there is a way to set it up so that some people can be in person and others virtual. There are new aspects of not needing to post people's address when they meet at their home. They'll be doing a close analysis of the bill in the new year.

B. ELARC Update

1. Case Management

- Ms. Liz Ornelas provided report. There were no questions.

2. Information and Training

- Ms. Roxy Ortiz provided report on trainings, there were no questions. Ms. Liz Harrell mentioned that SD was presented during the Consumer Advisory Committee. Also, she and Community Services Specialist Ursula Cerezo are creating a SD Vendor Forum.

C. Funding to Support Implementation and the Self Determination Program (ATT#2)

1. Fiscal Year 19/20 Project Status

- Ms. Roxy Ortiz provided an update on the projects. Workbook is almost completed; Focus Group – it was decided to go to a much smaller group and narrowing down the numbers of IFs, casting out a 2nd call for the focus group; community conversation – having the SC's pull in those families who have transitioned in.

Question from Mr. Scarlis: who are stakeholders? Ms. Ortiz answered that it's the participant, IF, FMS, SC, etc.

Mr. Scarlis asked if they can get the curriculum. Ms. Liz Harrell indicated that maybe we can connect Mr. Scarlis to Mary Beth to see the curriculum.

Mr. Scarlis agreed.

2. Fiscal year 20/21 Project Status

- Ms. Liz Harrell provided an update regarding the profiles in SD booklets (DVU) will be sent in two weeks. She also announced that DVU, founder Ms. Judy Marks will be having the training Services and Supports Workshop on September 28th. Flyer was shown. Flyer has been posted on website, but the 4 SC's will send the flyer to all their families as well.

The members were asked how to disseminate the DVU booklets and if anyone wants to be part of that planning group? Mr. Scarlis shared that if we don't hear from folks to provide input, maybe bring it to the LVAC as an agenda item.

D. Future Planning

1. Determine Local Priorities (to guide use of funds)

- Ms. Liz Harrell shared that survey will be ready in October to identify and gather input on what are our local priorities.

VI. September 28, 2021: Services and Supports Workshop- Ms. Liz Harrell announced the Sept. 28th meeting.

VII. 2021 Meeting Dates:

- A. October 19 (Special Meeting: Role of LVAC, Ethics, and Conflict of Interest Training)
 - Ms. Liz Harrell announced that there will be a special meeting in October led by Mr. Chris Arroyo. The role of the LVAC, conflict of interest, and Bagley-Keene will be reviewed.
- B. November 16- Next meeting- November 16, 2021 from 6:00-8:00 pm. Chair, Mr. Orlina asked to have draft of the 2022 LVAC proposed meeting dates at the next meeting.

VIII. Scheduling 2022 meetings:

- A. Proposed Dates: January 18, April 19, June 21, September 20, November 15
M/S/C (Y. Sun/C. Liu) To approve the 2022 LVAC meeting dates. Unanimous

Announcements:

CPAD is hosting a technology training to help families, parents, caregivers, and self-advocates, to become more proficient in zoom meetings and other technology. Ms. Edith Hernandez asked for the flyer to send to consumer services.

IX. Close

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 pm
M/S/C (Y. Sun/C. Maranon) To adjourn meeting. Unanimous