

Vendor Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes February 22, 2024

The VAC Meeting commenced at 10:00 am via video conference Zoom
Minutes prepared by VAC Secretary Melissa Carrillo.

I. Welcome and Introductions

- A. Group was addressed zoom etiquette; meeting being recorded and to mark participation on the chat.

II. From the Chair

A. Minute approval for VAC meeting on January 25, 2024

Motion to approve Minutes made by Sky Fisher

Second by Medford Auguste

No one opposed or abstained

B. Correspondence to DDS:

Have the opportunity to sign on to a joint effort letter with ARCA. In being able to keep the rate for July 1st, 2024 rate increases and not to delay them. Voted was the following: Motion to approve made by Sky Fisher and second by Paula Anguiano, No one opposed.

C. Virtual Vendor Fair ELARC Staff:

There will be four vendor fairs coming soon, there is talks about a hybrid vendor fair but for now it will be virtual and it will be broken up to groups depending on type of service.

III. ELARC Consumer Advisory Committee

Patrick presented on the Consumer Advisory Committee for Feb 13th.

March 19th meeting topic will be Governor's budget presented by Gloria Wong.

Meeting will be through zoom.

IV. ELARC Update:

A. Connecting With Service Coordinators- Your Community Services Liaisons:

Locating your community service liaison can be found on the ELARC.org

Under service providers, click on ELARC community service liaison, click on community services specialist assignments.

The Liaisons are assigned by service codes.

B. Social Recreation Resource Fair:

Community access Angeline presented more information on the Spring Palooza March 30th 10 am to 2 pm. ELARC headquarters.

C. Workforce Initiatives:

Visit DDS website and scroll down to workforce initiative. The most recent is the DSP training stipend. Deadline us June 30th.

D. Statewide Provider Directory

Not much information is out there once there is more information ELARC will be sharing. There will be initiatives to start the directory. Please continue to visit the DDS website for any update directives. This directory is called Consumers Electronic Records Management System (CERM) it will be integrating two systems that are currently utilized by the regional center.

V. HCBS:

Karen Presented and reminded vendors that an email was sent in Jan/Feb about the onsite monitoring.

VI. Training:

Judy Mark and Tim Jim from Disability Voices United presented

VII. Report from VAC Work Groups

A. Residential

No meeting

B. Networking

Meeting will be on 3/28/2024 following the VAC meeting

C. Emergency Operations Planning

Meeting after the VAC meeting

D. SLS/ILS Workgroup

No report

E. Self Determination Forum

No report

F. Early Start

No report

VIII. VAC Funds:

Balance \$4,483.90 with the \$250.00 to be paid to DVU for training today

IX. Report on Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday February 13, 2024

Joel reported on the Board of Directors that took place on Feb 13, 2024

X. Legislative:

Patrick reported on Legislative

XI. Community Comment:

No Community Comments

XII. Upcoming Service Provider Forums and Workgroups

Please check website for most updated information. Meetings are held virtually until further notice.

A. VAC Planning/VLF (Vendor Leadership Forum) *different dates but same zoom invite*

- i. **VLF** is a briefing session 30 minutes before regularly scheduled VAC meeting to review the meeting agenda. Next meeting is September 5, 2023 at 9:30.
- ii. **VAC Planning** focuses on planning the next meeting agenda as well as long term planning for the VAC. It is held the first Tuesday of every month from 1:00 – 2:00 pm. Next Meeting is August 1, 2023 (*No VAC meeting in August but planning meeting will occur and focus on 2024 planning*)

**VAC Planning/VLF Meeting
Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89637230931?pwd=Z0RRbGt0ZUFBYnduRTN6aUQ5emRQdz09>

Meeting ID: 896 3723 0931

B. VAC Forums for 2024

Forum/Workgroup	Dates	Time	Contact	Comments
Emergency Operations	2/22	Immediately follows VAC meeting	Gina Esparza gesparza@elarc.org	
Networking	3/28	Immediately follows VAC meeting	Melissa Carrillo mcarrillo@elarcainc.org Karina Andrade Kandrade@elarcainc.org	
Independent Living/SLS	11/21	Immediately follows VAC meeting	Cindy Parras cparras@elarc.org	
Residential	7/25	Immediately follows VAC meeting	Kristine Cheung kcheung@elarc.org	
Employment	3/13	9:30 -11:00	George De La Loza gdelaloza@elarc.org	
Early Start	TBD	2:00 – 4:00	Luisana Cruz lcruz@elarc.org	October Date TBD
Self Determination	4/24	10:00 -11:30	Liz Harrell eharrell@elarc.org	
Behavioral	TBD	TBD	Jessica Barba jbarba@elarc.org	Not meeting- based on interest
Transportation	TBD	TBD	Mayra Magaña mmagana@elarc.org	Not meeting - based on interest

II. Remaining 2024 VAC Meeting Dates

All Meetings Held on Fourth Thursday of the Month unless otherwise note

- No Meeting In August
- September 28
- October 26
- November 16 (*3rd Thursday due to Holiday*)
- No meeting in December
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