



EMPOWERMENT THROUGH INFORMATION COMMITTEE

DRAFT MINUTES

January 15, 2016

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council
1740 West Adams Street, Suite 410
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

A standing committee meeting of the Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (ADDPC) was convened on January 15, 2016 at the ADDPC, 1740 West Adams Suite 410 Phoenix, Arizona 85007. Notice having been duly given. Present and absent were the following members of the ADDPC.

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| Members Present |
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Ray Morris, Chair, Teleconference

Jamie Edgin, Teleconference

John Eckhardt, Teleconference

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| Staff/Guest Present | Members Absent/Regrets |
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Larry Clausen, Executive Director

Lani St. Cyr, Fiscal Manager

Michael Leyva, Contracts Coordinator

Marcy Crane, Grants Manager, Teleconference

David Daughtery, Morrison Institute, Teleconference

Erica McFadden, Morrison Institute, Teleconference

A. Call to Order:

Ray Morris made introductions for the Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (ADDPC) Empowerment through Information Standing Committee. The meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m.

B. Minutes Approval

The minutes from the September, 2016 Committee meeting were reviewed with no changes.

- Motion to accept the minutes made by John Eckhardt
- Motion seconded by Jamie Edgin
- Motion carried

C. Morrison Institute for Public Policy- Year 6 Renewal \$157,472

Lani St. Cyr and Larry Clausen gave an overview of the tasks to be completed as part of the year six contract renewal, which will focus on the creation and implementation of the Council's new 5-Year Strategic Plan. These include the following:

Research, Reports and Support Services:

- Update previous reports, as well as research, write and present abstracts, reports and position papers on issues identified by the Council and staff. Reports will be written in Plain Language.
- Assist in developing responses to questions and requests for information pertaining to important policy issues.
- Attend as necessary, community and governmental meetings.
- Assist with creating scoring criteria, helping to identify measurable goals, to ensure that the activities we fund are in line with the strategic plan and are creating quantifiable impact.
- Assist in locating grantee organizations both inside and outside the state to expand the pool of potential grantees.
- Make presentations at events and conferences related to findings from research conducted on behalf of the Council.
- At least 4 briefs will be researched and developed.

Public Input Period of Draft Strategic Plan and Roundtables

- Morrison Institute will travel with Council staff to present the draft 5-year State Plan and Comprehensive Review and Analysis in at least 8 different locations throughout the state and collect input for the final report. (Potential locations: Yuma, Window Rock, Kykotsmovi, Lake Havasu, Safford, Nogales, Prescott Valley, Sierra Vista, Flagstaff, Tucson, Phoenix).
- Transportation will be provided to those who need it. Language, sign language/CART, and other accommodations will be made upon request. In heavily Spanish-speaking areas, materials will be disseminated in both Spanish and English.
- A final survey will be conducted for individuals with DD, their families, state agencies, organizations, and other stakeholders throughout Arizona to confirm the priorities and goals identified by the Council. Based on the survey results, Morrison will assist in making any necessary adjustments to the strategic plan goals.

Disseminating/Publicizing Council Research Locally and Nationally

- This past year Morrison Institute presented at numerous conferences publicizing the work of the Council and the studies in the disability arena considered innovative. These conferences include: the National Down Syndrome Congress, American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Southwest Conference on Disability, the Project Search National Conference, and the Association of University Centers on Disabilities. Locally they spoke at the Arizona Diocesan Convention, the Maricopa Association of Governments, and Northbridge Academy. This is something that they plan on continuing and expanding on this contract year.
- Morrison proposes expanding outreach to economic development agencies, municipal leaders, and other state leaders as well as leveraging their partnership with the Cronkite School of Journalism to disseminate any research that should be highlighted.
- They will work with the Director of the Latino Public Policy Center to ensure Council activities get disseminated in Latino communities.
- They will also work to get at least one appearance on Horizons and look into other television opportunities.

Development of the ADDPC Community Inclusion Index

- Morrison proposes to establish baseline indicator measurements that will describe conditions, simplify complex data, measure progress, and chart trends over time to assure that the state is moving in the right direction towards advancing community inclusion. This data will be comparable, available, reliable, and actionable.
- Some indicators specific to the five year plan will also be included, such as: Demographics, employment, education, post-school outcomes, agency spending/service utilization, housing, and specific National Core Indicator measures.
- They will work with members of the DD Network, including the University of Arizona, Arizona Center for Disability Law, Northern Arizona University, as well as the Native American Disability Law Center, and other stakeholders will be contacted as advisors to identify and/or confirm measure that will be included for comparison.

Building Collaborations with the Latino Community

- There are 150,162 Latinos with disabilities in the state of Arizona and 47,107 do not speak English very well. Morrison will establish two series of groups of Latino families with adult children with disabilities composed 6 to 10 people in each group. The group meetings will be held in Spanish, be 90 minutes in length, and will be composed of eight weekly sessions. Transportation and food will be provided. The goal of this project design is to

provide both participants and family members opportunities to network and offer peer support with the purpose of teaching and facilitating self-advocacy.

There was a question regarding how this renewal proposal compared with the prior year and it was explained that the tasks have been shifted from the Comprehensive Review and Analysis research to the tasks that were described, as well as reduced level of funding.

- A motion to fund the year 6 renewal of the Morrison Institute in the amount of \$157,472 was made by John Eckhardt.
- Motion seconded by Jamie Edgin
- Motion carried

D. Call to the Public

No public was in attendance.

E. Adjourn

- A Motion to adjourn was made by John Eckhardt
- The Motion was seconded by Jamie Edgin
- The Meeting adjourned at 3:18 p.m.