



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, July 21, 2021

10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

3839 North 3rd Street, Suite 306, Phoenix, Arizona 85012

MINUTES

The Executive Committee meeting of the Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (ADDPC) was convened virtually Wednesday, July 19, 2021. Notice having been duly given. Present and absent were the following members of the ADDPC.

Members Present

Melissa Van Hook, Chairperson Scott Lindbloom	J.J. Rico Monica Cooper
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Members Absent

James Rivera
 Kelly Roberts

Staff	Guests
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Lani St. Cyr, Staff
 Marcella Crane, Staff
 Erica McFadden, Staff
 Steve Freeman, Staff
 Jason Snead, Staff

Therese Yanan, Native American Disability Law Center

A. Call to Order/Welcome

Chairperson Melissa Van Hook welcomed everyone to the Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (ADDPC or Council) Executive Committee meeting. The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. Roll call and participant introductions were completed.

B. Minutes from June 28, 2021 Meeting

Chairperson Melissa Van Hook asked members if they had a chance to review the minutes and if there were any changes. No changes were requested. Melissa asked for a motion to accept the minutes as written. Motion was made by Monica Cooper; seconded by Scott Lindbloom. The motion unanimously carried.

C. Discussion with Native American Disability Law Center

Committee shared that they wanted to have a conversation with NADLC before they send in their renewal to make sure barriers due to COVID and spending projections were in line with what was possible. Therese mentioned that the budget was unexpended because the travel was eliminated due to COVID. They have been working with two Hopi VR rehab counselors. They are going to start working with some of the students that are transitioning out of Hopi Jr/Sr High School. They have an adversarial relationship with the school but including VR will help facilitate NADLC's introduction to those students being helped by VR. They also want to introduce a parent training component as suggested by VR to facilitate self-advocacy among those youth. They are also still going to be working with Greyhills Academy, although there has been difficulties with communication with them and NADLC is unsure why. They are hoping to work with VR who is actively attending meetings with the students at Greyhills Academy. They will start out with a virtual format, which could increase access due to the geographical and scheduling issues with families. They are also looking at filming and recording those meetings. Erica suggested getting letter of commitments from both Hopi VR and Greyhills Academy to ensure everyone was on board. She also asked if there was any way to get data on what happened to those who were in the program. Therese said that Greyhills Academy won't give them any information on students, but they might be willing to since they graduated. Scott wanted to know if Therese's group could work with Pioneer College and White River Apache in Apache County. Therese said that Annette Yazzie's group has incorporated outside speakers like NAU. She can also have Annette reach out to Pioneer College as a potential speaker. Scott also thought they should work with New Mexico State University due to the location. Therese's service area goes from Farmington to Flagstaff.

Marcy wanted to know if any more funds plan to be expended. Therese said they have meeting scheduled in early August to create materials that will be useful for students and families and planning for the next year. Annette is coming back August 2 and will be ready to hit the ground running. Erica asked if they expected to be the same or less. Therese said that even though they are expanding into Hopi, the change over to virtual work will put them into the same ballpark. Erica asked that if things don't go as planned with the budget or program to please request to meet with staff to come up with a backup plan, especially with so much unknown about the (Covid) Delta variant. Therese said the Navajo Nation has reinstated their curfew. Marcy clarified that both Navajo and Hopi VR offices are still all virtual. Therese brought up they opened their Flagstaff office. That will help when they reassign their budget because the travel is less. Scott wants to know why they can't work with White River Apache Indian Tribe since it's closer to Therese. Therese said that their region has benefits because NADLC was delegated to be the P&A for the Navajo and Hopi tribes specifically. They haven't served the other tribal communities but they have a good relationship with the state P&A who has relationships with the other native communities. . . Rico with ACDL agreed with that and told Scott that he would talk with him about his contacts.

D. Announcements – Scott got his snack bar approved by the city council. It will roll out in August.

E. Adjourn- Motion to adjourn made by Scott Lindbloom. Seconded by JJ Rico. Meeting adjourned at 10:31AM.

Dated this 23rd day of July 2021
Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council