



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
DRAFT MINUTES

June 24, 2014

2:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.

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

An Executive Standing Committee meeting of the Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (ADDPC) was convened on June 24, 2014, at the ADDPC Office, 1740 West Adams, Suite 410, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. Notice having been duly given. Present and absent were the following members of the ADDPC.

Members Present	
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John Black, Vice Chairperson, Phone Ray Morris

Tom Uno, Phone Monica Cooper, Phone Melissa Van Hook, Phone

Staff/Guests	Members Absent
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Larry Clausen, ADDPC Marcella Crane, ADDPC Lani St. Cyr, ADDPC Michael Leyva, ADDPC Dr. Dan Davidson, IHD

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A. Call to Order

Vice Chairperson John Black welcomed everyone to the Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (ADDPC or Council) Executive Standing Committee meeting. The meeting was called to order at 2:03 P.M.

B. Approval of Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the May 9, 2014 Executive Committee meeting were reviewed.

- A motion was made by Tom Uno to approve the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes as written from May 9, 2014.
- The motion was seconded by Ray Morris.
- The motion carried.

C. Picture of Life Renewal: \$56,664

Ray Morris and Lani St. Cyr presented information on this project which was created two years ago as an intervention designed to prepare persons with developmental disabilities living in foster care to age out of the system. Since many adults with developmental disabilities receiving foster care don't have community-based supports, Picture of Life has established a network of facilitators who work in using Person Centered Planning (PCP) to map out and implement action that will develop options for permanent living arrangements, employment or post-secondary opportunities and preparing youth for life after high school. Candidates for the program are referred by the Division of Developmental Disabilities and the program currently partners with RSA. In the upcoming year the project will enhance partnerships by working with the Office of Children with Special Health Care Needs located in the Arizona Department of Health Services. The program will be expanding the ages of youth served to a range of 14-18 to allow intervention and planning to begin earlier.

- A motion was made by Ray Morris to approve the 3rd Year renewal for the Picture of Life project with the Sonoran UCEDD in the amount of \$56,664.
- The motion was seconded by Melissa Van Hook.
- The motion carried.

D. Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports (PBIS) \$295,926

Information on this project renewal request was shared by Ray Morris, Lani St. Cyr and Dan Davidson. Entering year 3, the project has met the majority of goals established for the current year. The achievements included completion of training curriculum and identifying and working with 4 school districts in Arizona to initiate PBIS training. In collaborating with the school districts the project has begun to supplant training of all school personnel to modify existing behavior management cultures attempting to move away from restraints, seclusion, suspension and expulsion as the singular means of managing maladaptive behaviors. An anticipated by-product of this approach is higher attendance rates for students and teaching staff, higher levels of academic achievement and graduation, and most importantly, an enhanced understanding that punishment or negative reinforcement are not successful long-range tools for changing inappropriate behavior. The project request for year 3 is the largest amount to be considered in the five year project plan, since increased dollars will be used to support participating schools in their adaptation of PBIS approaches. In years 4 and 5, funding amounts will be reduced as schools successfully sustain the newly created cultures in managing behavior among all students.

- A motion was made by Monica Cooper to approve the 3rd year renewal of the PBIS project with \$295,926 awarded to IHD.
- Melissa Van Hook seconded the motion.
- The motion carried.

E. Scope of Work: Self-Advocacy Request for Grant Application

Tom Uno and Marcy Crane presented on this topic with the purpose of obtaining authorization for a new Request for Grant Application (RFGA) on Self-Advocacy. The RFGA will provide up to \$300,000 in the first year and will seek to make multiple awards. The grant will fund successful applicants who present a detailed proposal on offering training to self-advocates enhancing their abilities in representing themselves when working with others on public policy, existing statutory and legal matters, and diminishing/eliminating barriers that block inclusion and full participation. The design of education for this project is an important element and must be in a format of extended training (not one-time conferences or workshops) that may include multiple sessions over a designated period of time.

- A motion was made by Tom Uno authorizing Council staff to prepare and release a Request for Grant Application for Self-Advocacy with total funds committed to potential multiple awards in the amount of \$300,000 for year one.
- The motion was seconded by Ray Morris.
- The motion carried.

F. Project LEAP Renewal: \$60,000

This project is seeking its 4th annual renewal and serves as a scholarship program to assist self-advocates (parents and consumers), in obtaining funding for approved training. Training may take the form of conferences, workshops and seminars and can be offered locally, statewide, regionally or nationally. A formal application is required of all interested parties and is screened by Pilot Parents using a formalized evaluation process. Applicants are informed of requirements for reimbursement including the structured parameters designating reimbursable items. Additionally, participants must agree to provide supplemental information following training to track outcomes of education as graduates move into more active roles in advocacy. In this final year of funding, Pilot Parents will continue to manage and expand their role in obtaining measurable outcomes so the program can be fully appraised for effectiveness in 2015.

- A motion was made by Monica Cooper to approve up to \$60,000 for the year 4 renewal of Project LEAP, awarded to Pilot Parents of Southern Arizona
- The motion was seconded by Melissa Van Hook.
- The motion carried.

G. State Employment Leadership Network (SELN) Membership: \$25,000

John Black with the help of Michael Leyva, shared an overview of the State Employment Leadership (SELN) program. Over the last several years the ADDPC has assisted the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) to maintain their membership in SELN to support their efforts in advancing employment initiatives to persons with developmental disabilities that receive their services. Because SELN members represent state

developmental disabilities agencies nationally, the organization is a repository of best practices and models for enhanced employment that have been used successfully. Through the use of a strategic plan developed with the assistance of SELN staff, DDD has developed an advisory committee and is partnering with other organizations in initiating activities. An example of recent action is the leadership role DDD is taking in developing the Employment First initiative in Arizona. In the coming year, DDD will be paying a percentage of the \$35,000 annual SELN membership fee by contributing \$10,000. This proposal asked the Council to provide the balance of the membership fee in the amount of \$25,000.

- A motion was made by Tom Uno to approve the Developmental Disabilities Division (DES) membership in SELN in the amount of \$25,000.
- John Black seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

H. Call to the Public

No one from the public was present.

I. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 P.M.

Dated this 27th day of June, 2014
Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council