

**DRAFT MINUTES
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES PLANNING COUNCIL
FALL BUSINESS MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2014
625 SILVER SW (DDPC CONFERENCE ROOM)
ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO 87102**

Members Present

Persons w/ Disabilities

Judy Sena
Andrea MacRae
Amira Rasheed
Sergio Resendiz

Family Members

Sandy Skaar (Chair)
Charlene Espinoza
C. Dianne Griego (Vice-Chair)
Theresa Apodaca
Vicki Galindo

Attendants

Jeanette Sena
Andrew MacRae
Michael Anagal

Agencies Present

Jim Jackson	DRNM
CateMcClain	CDD
Kathleen Hardy	CYFD
Joshua Granata	AGO
Debbie Hambel	DVR
Hoskie Benally, Jr.	DIA
Wendy Corry	DDSD
Gabriel Baca	PED

Staff Present

John Block, III
Justin Moore

**Staff Present for
Reporting Purposes
Only**

Kathy Coates

Members Absent

Denise Weaver
Cassie Harden
Doris Roberts
Dr. Tim Query

Agencies Absent

Cynthia Shelton (HSD)
Peter Stover (Higher Ed)
Gabriel Baca (PED)
Gail Trotter (ALTSD)

Public Guests

Vanessa Ramirez
Linda Kemmerling

Call to Order/Introductions/Housekeeping/Mission Statement

Chair Sandy Skaar called the meeting to order at 9:24 am. Introductions were exchanged. Kathy read the Mission and Vision Statement.

Approve Agenda – Action Item

Jim moved to approve the agenda. Theresa seconded. Motion carried.

Approve Minutes – Action Item

Wendy moved to approve the minutes from the Retreat (8/21/14) and the Summer Meeting (8/22/14) as amended. Amira seconded. Motion carried.

Council Comments

Vicki said Patty West and Susie Trujillo got the mayor of Silver City to donate a building for the Disability Resource Center. The CDD will provide support. Gabe said he will be leaving PED in December to accept a position with UNM Los Alamos. He would be happy to continue serving on the Council under Higher Education (which will be vacant).

Executive Session

Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(2), the Council is authorized to enter into Executive Session to discuss Limited Individual Personnel Matters. The Council is therefore authorized to undertake the following business in Executive Session: Limited Individual Personnel Matters. *Sandy moved to enter into Executive Session; Deb seconded; the motion carried. Roll call was unanimous.*

Let the record show the Executive Session ended at 10:40 am.

Action Items

Let the record show the matters discussed in Executive Session pertained to limited personnel matters. No action was taken.

Executive Committee/Chair Report – Sandy Skaar

Sandy and John have presented at LFC and SPO. The LFC presentation included a request for two additional FTEs. Council committees will meet the morning of 1/8/15. They are to submit written reports for the binders so time will be freed up for a presentation on the Disability Resource Center (Silver City) as well as for Jim's report. DDPC is helping to fund the Disability Coalition's activities. The Coalition is sponsoring/hosting a reception for all legislators (old and new) from the Metro area. The tentative date is December 2, 2014. *Wendy moved that support for the reception be limited to \$1,000. Amira seconded. Motion carried with Jim abstaining.*

Action Item – Approval to use DDW Central Registry funds

Jim moved to authorize Dianne's Ad Hoc committee to spend \$9,000 to educate educators regarding the DD Waiver Central Registry. Charlene seconded. Motion carried with Wendy and Dianne abstaining.

Executive Director's Report – John Block

John gave updates. Southwest Conference was a great success with over 1,000 participants. Need to start thinking about the next five-year plan. Several camps were visited *vis-à-vis* the Spring Retreat. The Manzano site was most promising (Silver City was also considered). The CSA will increase life-skills trainings. Presentations have been given at sites around the state (as well as in the Metro). The final budget was reviewed, along with updated policies and procedures. Request for additional funding for the Office of Guardianship was explained as well as language for non-reversion. The national DDPC Directors' meeting provided an excellent opportunity for networking. John was appointed to the AUCD TA Committee.

Financial Report – Kathy Coates, CFO

John and Kathy reported. First quarter is on target. OOG contracts have been encumbered. All vendors and contractors have been paid in a timely manner. Federal contracts are in place. FY '14 has been closed out. The audit begins at the end of the month. All reversions have been completed.

Program Committee Report – Deb Hambel, Chair

There was no report.

Membership Committee Report – Doris Roberts, Chair

Gabe's application will be submitted (with supervisor's approval) to the Governor's Office for the Higher Education position on the Council.

Policy Committee Report/Issues – Jim Jackson, Chair

Policy issues/positions will be presented at the January Council meeting. The House of Representatives is now controlled by the Republicans. Therefore, there will be new leaders to be educated. Long-term services under Centennial Care need to focus on self-direction. HSD has permission to allocate over 4,000 slots. There are approximately 170,000 newly enrolled in Medicaid. Alternative benefits do not include long-term services. The DD Waiver waiting list has been reduced slightly.

Center for Development and Disability (UCEDD) Report – Dr. Cate McClain

The Southwest Conference had participants from 38 states and three foreign countries. The future of the Indian Children's program is in doubt. Project Search is moving forward with 10 interns (UNM Hospital). Funding is in place for Partners in Employment. SIS assessments are increasing. Problems with implementation are being addressed.

Member Topics

The Pre-legislative Forum is scheduled for January 10, 2015. Registration for Disability Rights Awareness Day is now available (for events on February 2, 2015 and February 3, 2015).

Meeting Evaluations

Council members completed their evaluation forms. The next Council meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 9, 2015.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.