# Developmental Disabilities Council of Contra Costa County BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING (ZOOM) August 24, 2022

**Board and Liaison Members Present**: Caroline Ortiz; Christine Rottger; Craig Rose; Donna Feingold; Karen Lingenfelter; Kimberli Buckley; Leslie Werosh Visbal, Vice Chairperson; Marianne Iversen; Pam Perls; Rebecca Corbett; Ria Mercado; Rosa Valledor, Chairperson; Suzanne Anthony; Troy Russell; Will Sanford

**Staff:** Vi Ibarra

**Board and Liaison Members Absent:** Nickole Bouslog; Stephen Dale

<u>Guests:</u> Mirna Leal, RCEB; Hannah Michaelsen, Care Parent Network & parent; Lisa Kleinbub, RCEB; Marcelle Indelicato - Emergency Services Manager Town of Danville Elvia Osorio-Rodriguez, RCEB; Selene Gonzalez; Gabriela Solval, SCDD; Jennifer Quallick, Deputy Chief of Staff to Supervisor Candace Andersen; Geneva Ziaoure, Manos Home Care; Aimee Vitug-Hom, VistAbility; Sakeara Hasani, District Representative, Congressman DeSaulnier's office - CA-11; Becky Wieringa, Adaptive Learning Center Julia Pelayo-Ruelas, La Familia; Isela Benavides, parent; Angela Gattis Care Parent Network

## **Welcome and Attendance:**

Vi took board attendance and quorum was established. There were no additions to today's agenda.

## What to do about tight agendas?

Attendees discussed the various components of the monthly meeting agendas, and ways to prioritize how the meeting time is spent. Several of the suggestions will be implemented at meetings, beginning in September:

- 1. Zoom link will be opened up at 9:45 am so that attendees have time to enter, greet one another and socialize a bit. The actual meeting will then begin promptly at 10:00 am.
- 2. In light of COVID response moving from initial response to more of an ongoing issue, the Deputy Health Officer will be invited to present health-related updates at 3 meetings in the coming year rather than monthly. If we have questions between those updates, those can be processed through Vi to get answers. If something significant or unexpected occurs in regard to COVID or any other health issue, we can invite the Deputy Health Officer to provide us that update at additional meetings.
- 3. The Community Liaison reports will be adjusted. Some of those meetings that are reported on take place bi-monthly or quarterly. Community Liaisons will be listed on the agenda only to report on months when they have updates to provide.

#### **Board member overview and recruitment**

Vi reviewed that the board currently has 17 of the 21 seats filled. Per the Council bylaws, at least two of the open seats need to be filled by either self-advocates or family

advocates. Two of the current board members will be terming out at the end of the 2022-2023 year.

#### Brainstorm presentation topics for the coming year

Board Members and guests provided a robust list of suggestions for upcoming presentation topics. The executive team will get to work right away to schedule the presentations. In order to better get the word out to the community about upcoming presentations, Vi will share a list of upcoming presentation topics rather than announcing them month by month as she has done in the past.

### **Public Comment and Announcements:**

None

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Next meeting will be held on September 28, 2022 at 10:00 am. Look for a Zoom invitation from Vi Ibarra.

Respectfully submitted electronically by,

Vi Ibarra

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