



Self-Advocates Advisory Committee AdobeConnect Video Meeting

October 26, 2012

2.30 – 3.30 PM

Members:

Jennifer Allen, Lisa Cooley, Kerstin Williams (AdobeConnect)

SCDD:

Tammy Eudy, Roberta Newton (AdobeConnect), Lois Cissell

Area Boards (AdobeConnect):

Area Board 10: Julie Eby-McKenzie, Area Board 6: Dena Hernandez

Meeting Facilitators:

Charlene Jones, Joan Burg, Angie Lewis (Kerstin)

Call to Order

Jennifer A. (Chair) called the meeting to order. No quorum present.

Self-Advocates Advisory Committee Plan

Better/more accessible meeting practices

- Kerstin & Jennifer requested time to consider and discuss at SAAC meeting on 11/6.
- Jennifer advised that members look at previous SAAC meeting notes for ideas.
- DDS-CAC has done work on this issue; Jennifer will contact Nicole Patterson at DDS.
- Recommendations to consider for easy-to-use and available information
 - Put meeting information in a simpler format, especially reports from CA State departments. Example – budget.
 - Would be helpful for plain language information to be included in the packets that SCDD sends in advance of meetings.
- Communication at meetings that is understandable
 - How can verbal information be improved?
 - Observation: sometimes Council members speak fast at meetings, it's hard to understand and communicate.
 - Current SCDD Chair has worked to improve some of these issues.

National Advocacy Issue CRPD

- Jennifer apologized for not bringing the SAAC recommendations forward for a full vote at Council meeting in September.
- Next step: at the SCDD November meeting, Jennifer will re-introduce the recommendation that SCDD write letters in support of CRPD be sent to CA Senators; Requesting a SAAC member make a motion and second after Jennifer makes the recommendation.

Community Presentations

- Jennifer requested input from Kecia, Jennifer Walsh & Molly @ SAAC meeting in November about outreach.