



Oregon Council on  
Developmental Disabilities

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## Council Meeting Minutes

**Thursday, February 18, 2021**

**Present:** Daniel Alrick, Rosa Belem Ochoa, Alisha Overstreet, Anna Lansky, Ben Hoffman, Caitlin Shockley, Che Walker, Chris Knowles, Daniel Tucker, Eddie Plourde, Emily Braman, Emilie Wylde Turner, Heather Lindsay, Jake Cornett, Jasper Smith, Julie Chick, Julie Farrell, Kelly McCauley, Laura Estreich, Lindsay Stephens, Mack Beatty, Nicola Spears, Rhonda Eppelsheimer (proxy for Alice Miller), Sally Simich, Stephanie Utzman

**Guests:** None

**Interpreters:** Joy, Max and Jennifer

**Staff:** Ava Bartley, Melinda Benson, Susie Goodell, Sieu Inac, Beth Kessler, Ryley Newport, Dominic Paz, Trish Roussel, Lynn Russell, Leslie Sutton

Absent: Paulina Larenas, Ruth Morris, Sarah Noack

### **Welcome and Introductions**

Daniel Alrick called the meeting to order at 12:31 pm. Quorum is met.

### **Review agenda and announcements**

Daniel welcomed two of the three new Council members: Alisha Overstreet (parent of child with DD, Yamhill County), Laura Estreich (Self Advocate, Benton County), Paulina Larenas (more info to come)

Leslie reviewed the agenda and Attendees introduced themselves.

### **5 Year Plan review and development** (October 1, 2021 to Sept 30, 2026)

Beth lead the discussion – The first thing we have to prepare is our goals. Last meeting, we discussed and gathered a lot of good information about what goals and outcomes we want as we move forward in the next 5 years. Looking at our Federal Mandate, we look at where are we now, where our current problems are, what barriers we identify right now, and where do we want to go next. Now it's time to look at the current reality of what we feel we can actually change using those big goals and dreams.

By the end of the Council meeting tomorrow, our plan is to have two goals to move forward in the 5-year plan. After that, we are required to get public input regarding those goals. These goals and the public input are combined to prepare and make ready the 5-year Plan that the Council will submit to the Federal Government in August of 2021. Once goals are ready, the Council will begin to write the Objectives needed to guide the Council's work to meet those goals.

Successes from the last 5-year goals:

- Creating OSAC
- Fairview Trust changes
- Using Charting the Life Course lens in systems work
- Health Care Advocacy both in ensuring people with disabilities can have support people while they are in the hospital and vaccine priorities
- Law changes ending subminimum wage for people with IDD

The Council moved into small groups beginning with a community building exercise.

**Small groups reviewed Goal 1 and answered the following questions.**

- *What stands out to you from this draft?*
- *If we are successful in achieving this goal by focusing on these approaches, what will we see happen?*
- *What is most exciting about this?*
- *What concerns do you have?*
- *What does this mean for our next steps?*

Small groups reported back to large group and graphic recording. Beth facilitated the conversation with Aniko Adany graphically recording the discussion.

This goal is broad, and Council Members understand that. The Council members wanted it recorded that work listed in this and Goal 2 will need to have specific objectives to assure the goals are met.

### **Business Meeting**

Daniel Alrick opened the business meeting which will be continued tomorrow due to time restraints.

### **Meeting minutes**

Nicola Spears moved to approve the December 2020 Meeting minutes with no corrections. Eddie Plourde seconded. 23 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstain. Motion to approve the December 2020 minutes carried.

**Daniel Alrick adjourned the meeting at 4:30 pm.**

**Friday, February 19, 2021**

**Present:** Daniel Alrick, Rosa Belem Ochoa, Anna Lansky, Ben Hoffman, Caitlin Shockley, Che Walker, Chris Knowles, Daniel Tucker, Eddie Plourde, Emily Braman, Emilie Wyld Turner, Jake Cornett, Jasper Smith, Julie Chick, Julie Farrell, Kelly McCauley, Laura Estreich, Lindsay Stephens, Mack Beatty, Nicola Spears, Rhonda Eppelsheimer (proxy for Alice Miller), Sally Simich, Stephanie Utzman

**Guests:** Laurie Powell, Catherine Karb

**Interpreters:** Joy and Max

**Staff:** Ava Bartley, Beth Kessler, Ryley Newport, Dominic Paz, Melinda Benson, Sieu Inac, Trish Roussel, Lynn Russell, Leslie Sutton

Absent: Alisha Overstreet, Heather Lindsay, Paulina Larenas, Ruth Morris, Sarah Noack

### **Welcome and Introductions**

Daniel Alrick called the meeting to order at 12:31 pm. Quorum is met.

### **Review agenda and announcements**

#### **Budget update and vote**

Things to note:

1<sup>st</sup> quarter completed of Federal Fiscal budget. January budget numbers are just beginning to come in. Still a carry over from the last fiscal year.

Salary and benefits are on target

Operating expenses are low due to timing of most of these items

Contracts and Professional Services are a little higher due to carryover expenses.

Overall, a little under budget at this point. Council Members stated that they appreciated the details and getting the budget updates regularly.

### **Membership updates**

Three new members coming on board at this time and there are still 5 open positions. Lynn updated information from the last Council Meeting. The Council requested outreach to communities we haven't historically reached. Lynn can will send out an email to gather suggestions and connections to recruit new members. A recruitment flier will be updated as we thoughtfully consider how to bring in new Council Members.

The Council moved into small groups to continue working on goals. **Small groups reviewed Goal 2 and answered the following questions.**

- *What stands out to you from this draft?*
- *If we are successful in achieving this goal by focusing on these approaches, what will we see happen?*
- *What is most exciting about this?*
- *What concerns do you have?*
- *What does this mean for our next steps?*

**Thank you for the hard work on getting the Vaccine out to the I/DD Community!**

Guests: Rachael Banks (Public Health Director OHA), Kristen Darmody (Equity and Community Engagement OHA), Sarah Kelber (Public Health Newsletter Editor OHA), Dana Hargunani (Chief Medical Officer OHA), Chelas Kronenberg (Policy and Innovation Manager ODDS), Lilia Teninty (Director ODDS), Senator Sara Gelser, Trevor Douglass (OPDP & Pharmacy Purchasing Director, OHA)

Daniel, Leslie, Eddie, Rosa, Caitlin, and Kelly expressed appreciation on behalf of the Council. Guests also had time for remarks, comments and thanks for the collaborations during these difficult times through COVID and vaccine priority planning.

**Report from small group work:**

Small groups reported back to large group and graphic recording. Beth facilitated the conversation with Aniko Adany graphically recording the discussion.

**Vote on Goals:**

Mak Beatty moved to approve the Goals as presented incorporating noted suggestions. Nicola Spears seconded. 22 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstain. Motion to approve carried.

Legislative Update: The Council is working with DD Coalition to request funding for Family Networks be reinstated. Lots of advocacy opportunities will be coming and Members will be asked for help. Legislature asked for a video of the FN support of families during the fire response. The Council was able to view the video and then discussed the impact of the Family Networks. OSAC and DRO are also partner advocates in helping to request funding again.

Leslie will email the Legislative update to the group.

Public Comment – no comments.

Closing Round- Inspiring, Thoughtful, Collaborative, Appreciation, Sad (to see the video), Grateful (times 5), Brain fog, Future, Connection, Forthcoming, Productive (times 2), Thankful (times 2), Hopeful, Determined, Hope filled, Mindful, Technology fog, Exciting, Community, Opportunities, #goals, Hardworking, Inspired, Progress, Accomplished

**Daniel Alrick adjourned the meeting at 4:09 pm.**