Council Meeting

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Agenda: Thursday, December 16, 2021

Present: Daniel Alrick, Lindsay Stephens, Alisha Overstreet, Ben Hoffman, Che Walker, Chris Knowles, Daniel Tucker, Eddie Plourde, Emily Braman, Heather Lindsay, Jake Cornett, Joe Carroll, Julie Chick, Kelly McCauley, Mack Beatty, Nicola Spears, Paulina Larenas, Pennie Hartley, Rhonda Eppelsheimer, Rosa Belem Ochoa, Sally Simich, Sarah Noack

Guests: Chris Coughlin (OCJ), Janet Byrd (OCJ), José Luis Maldonado (OCJ), Kim Gotter (onboarding staff), Ross Ryan (OSAC)

Interpreters: Becky, Isabel, Joy

Staff: Emilie Wylde Turner, Leslie Sutton, Melinda Benson, Ryley Newport, Siu Inac, Trish Roussel

Absent: Anna Lansky, Jasper Smith, Julie Farrell, Laura Estreich

Welcome and Introductions including newest Council Member Joe Carroll
Daniel called the meeting to order at 12:32 pm. Quorum is met.

Welcome Operations Administrator

Leslie introduced Kim Gotter as the new Operations Administrator. Kim will be joining the Council staff on January 4, 2022.

Oregon Consumer Justice Listening Session and Partnership

The Board moved into three small groups to work with this new group to support consumers who might have been a victim of financial scam or scam practices.

DD 101 Planning Discussion
The Council will be contracting for English DD 101 and contracting for a separate Spanish DD 101. This training used to be called “the Roadmap to DD Services” but it needs to be updated. The small group conversations will be general for an updated DD 101 training.

**Large Group, DD101 Trajectory**

*What do we want to see out of a DD 101?*

- Seeing a diverse group of participants involved in the planning,
- Consistency of messages,
- An understanding of where to go, who to talk to, etc.,
- What level of support needs addressed? (An understanding of different support needs),
- Historical context,
- Resources for mental health services,
- Access to information about 24-hour care, group homes, independent living,
- Accessible in a variety of formats that work for a range of people,
- A communication system that works for the individual, including assistive technology,
- Understand what supports are available, who can help meet needs, and how to find resources,
- Resources for supported employment including Voc Rehab and beyond.
- Empowering the individual receiving services for decision making,
- Shows what dignity of risk looks like in real life scenarios,
- Creates a system that encourages people to be in charge of their own destiny.

*What do we want to avoid out of a DD 101 training?*

- Being so cumbersome that people don’t/won’t access or use it,
- Decisions made for others or leave the self-advocate out of discussions,
- Relies on too much written information (important to use other methods),
- Complicated information that is hard to understand,
- Pieces of information without an understanding of how they fit together within the system
- Avoid overwhelming people,
- Having systems be too hard to understand or even begin to access supports,
- Excluding certain groups of people because we don’t have enough
What’s next for OCDD staff?

- Include others from the Council to help create DD 101,
- Determine what the scope of work entails, how to use technology and other aspects of the project,
- Clarify and determine the desired end project,
- Using videos, books, other formats,
- Determine how this training differs from the DD Services road map,
- Determine how we explain what DD 101 is and creating context around the importance of the training and why it is applicable,
- Look into alternative funding for translation needs and other ways we can expand the training to have a greater reach,
- Staff will craft and RFP, review proposals and select applicants to create the training(s),
- In the end, we want people to feel empowered and understand next steps to support.
- Council staff will involve Council Members along the way to get feedback and input.

Daniel adjourned the meeting at 4:27 pm.

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Guests: Gabrielle Guedon (OSAC)

Interpreters: Becky, Isabel, Joy

Staff: Emilie Wylde Turner, Leslie Sutton, Melinda Benson, Ryley Newport, Sieu Inac, Trish
Welcome and new guest introductions

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

Eddie Plourde had a chance to tell his story. He says that self-advocacy is important to helping others and spread the word that self-advocates are a valuable part of society. “We are here to make changes in society.”

Eddie started with the Self-Advocacy Coalition and was a Vice-Chair of the Council. He likes to speak to people across Oregon, to meet with legislators and representatives. He works hard and likes to talk to everyone and encourage them to speak up for their rights. He said, “Now, more than ever is the time for self-advocates to lead our work.”

Eddie is proud of his work at Hyland Hills Ace Hardware and he really enjoys his work there.

Eddie is a founding an active member of OSAC, attends their quarterly meetings, likes participating and being proactive. His vision is for OSAC to grow and be a big voice in Oregon.

He’s also really excited about OCDD’s 5-year plan and his role in that plan. He is also Co-Chair of the Self-Advocate Caucus, a role he shares with Kelly and he was very excited to share Kelly’s advocacy video to the Council.

Business meeting
Daniel opened the Business Meeting.

Meeting minutes
Sarah Noack moved to approve October 2021 meeting minutes. Ben Hoffman seconded. 17 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstain. Motion to approve the October 2021 minutes without corrections carried.

Council FFY 2021 Budget Close Update - October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021
The grant amount was $843,272. Money spent was 80.79% of budgeted payroll, 45.36% of budgeted operating expenses and 63.23% of budgeted contracts and professional expenses.

The Council has $369,807 leftover that must be spent by end of September 2022.
The year end budget per month was sent to Council members with the agenda. The Council had a discussion and asked questions about the budget and how it is reported.

**Council Fiscal Year 2022 Update**

The format is different than last year. Our funders want us tracking budgets based on goals, objectives, and administrative expense. This new format required coding changes on our expenses including payroll and Leslie has worked with Oregon Department of Human Services to make these coding changes and plug them into the budget template.

A request was made from the Council to show payroll as a line item in each goal.

**HB 2992 Stipend Update, Next Steps**

Council staff received input from our Federal funder and Oregon Department of Justice about how to move forward with the differing requirements.

Timeline:

Discuss draft bylaws changes today (those changes were sent to each Council Member).

Before 1/20/22, Council members will receive proposed bylaws changes in email.

These stipends have brought about changes to the bylaws and those changes will be voted on next meeting. Article 4 Membership, Section F will be amended. A vote on the bylaws’ changes will be held at the February 2022 meeting.

Once the vote happens, Council staff will send in stipend invoices dating back to Sept. 25, 2021 for eligible Council members. The money will come in one large check. If Council members need benefits planning support around that check, staff can connect you to someone to help.

**2022 Meeting Schedule Proposal**

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There was a discussion about the proposed schedule, whether meetings would be in zoom or in person, budget impacts and the results of the Council survey. A June retreat still allows the Council to take advantage of off-season rates.

A poll vote was taken which asked for approval for 5 Zoom meetings and a retreat in person in June. Nicola Spears made a motion to approve the 2022 meeting schedule as listed and Ben Hoffman seconded. The meeting schedule carried with 76% of the vote.

**Executive Director Review Development Update**

DD Act requires the Council conduct a review of the Executive Director annually although it hasn’t done so in years. The Executive Committee created two surveys: one for Council members and staff and a second one for Community Partners. Both surveys go live in January 2022.

Council Members were requested to reach out to Daniel or Lindsay if you need help with the survey. Since it is an Executive Director review, members will be connected to Executive Committee members rather than staff for help.

**Executive Director Review Timeline:**

January 2022- complete surveys
February 18, 2022 Council meeting - in Executive Session

**Announcements:** The Governor has just announced that due to Omicron, State offices are not reopening in January as previously announced. There is not a return date yet.

Mak gave an update of what is happening in his life. The Council was very supportive in helping him navigate recent challenges.

**Farewell to Council Member Daniel Tucker**

Council Members had a chance to honor Daniel for his time and advocacy on the Council. Council members and Family members took the opportunity to say thank you for being an amazing role model for other Self-Advocates and all the many others whose lives he has touched during his time on the Council. He will be continuing his self-advocacy work in other areas.

**Training: ODHS Overview of Boards and Commissions: Boards, Commissions & Small Entities**

Council members, interpreters and staff listed in the Google docs roster went through this training together.

**Public Comment and Closing**

No public comment. Lindsay facilitated the One Word closing round: tired, thankful, tired, grateful, happy, excited, grateful, onward, success, unfinished, Navidad, boring, eggnog, it’s the weekend, see you in 2022, enthusiastic, New Year, 2022, eggnog, and an end of the year song from Daniel Alrick.

Daniel adjourned the meeting at 4:36 pm.