April 15, 2022 Council Meeting

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Agenda:

Present: Daniel Alrick, Lindsay Stephens, Alisha Overstreet, Anna Lansky, Ben Hoffman, Che Walker, Chris Knowles, Eddie Plourde, Emily Braman, Jasper Smith, Julie Farrell, Julie Chick, Kelly McCauley, Mack Beatty, Nicola Spears, Paulina Larenas, Pennie Hartley, Rhonda Eppelsheimer, Rosa Belem Ochoa, Sally Simich, Sarah Noack

Guests: Greg Rochford

Interpreters: Isabel, Joy

Staff: Emilie Wylde Turner, Kim Gotter, Leslie Sutton, Melinda Benson, Ryley Newport, Erin Tamblyn

Absent: Joe Carroll, Laura Estreich

Welcome and Introductions
Daniel called the meeting to order at 9:15am. Quorum is met. Participants introduced themselves. Daniel reviewed the agenda.

DD Awareness Poster Presentation
Poster shown and it can be found on the OCDD website https://ocdd.org/celebrate-dd-awareness-in-march on the get involved tab. It is in many languages and can be downloaded. Distribution plan is being shared statewide. Suggestions for sharing were discussed.

Business Meeting
Daniel opened the Business meeting.

Meeting minutes
Ben Hoffman moved to approve the February 2022 meeting minutes as written. Rhonda Eppelsheimer seconded the motion. 20 votes in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstain. Motion to approve the February 2022 minutes carried.

FFY 2022 Budget Update
Kim Gotter reviewed the new budget spreadsheets. Asked for interested parties to join an ad hoc budget committee to make the budget template more accessible and informative. Eddie Plourde likes that the Goals are highlighted in colors, asked for different colors to highlight particular areas. Jake Cornett inquired about where to find the additional ACL funds. Leslie Sutton reports that this budget report is on the OCDD Federal Grant, not the other ACL funds. Question for the Budget committee – having two separate pages, federal dollars and “other” funds. Members can contact Daniel if interested in joining the ad hoc budget committee.

**HB 2992 Stipend Update**

Kim Gotter shared that stipend information has been sent to those eligible to receive it and asked for feedback on process. All returned requests have been sent into payroll, will be paid on payroll dates (which will be May 1, 2022 for this round) and will be considered income, so will be getting a W-2 at the end of the year.

Stipend amounts have changed so the Council bylaws need to be amended. Leslie Sutton will be looking at ways to accommodate potential amount changes in the future so we don’t have to redo the bylaws on a regular basis. Eddie Plourde moved to increase the rate $4, Mak Beatty seconded. 22 approved, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, Motion to increase the stipend amount carried. Look for the proposed changes 20 days before the next Council meeting so the bylaw change vote can occur in an upcoming Council meeting.

**Required Training Update**

Leslie Sutton discussed strategies to get the trainings done. Council members will receive no more emails about the required trainings and there will be no need to take them through Workday. Leslie will provide DAS approved written summaries of the trainings and will be reviewed verbally annually with Council members. Plan to kick this off in October.

New Council members will need to take them as part of their onboarding process.

The Council took a break.

**Transition manual**

Nick Kaasa, Ryley Newport and Sally Simich presented the Transition Guide/Planning My Way to Work update. Discussed that the focus groups (self advocates and both English and Spanish speakers) had very different feedback. Revisions were then done using the Lifecourse Framework. Showed the tool and shared some of the specific revisions. Available as an interactive tool on the OCDD website. [https://ocdd.org/planning-my-way-to-work](https://ocdd.org/planning-my-way-to-work) in many language options. Rosa Belem Ochoa wanted to ensure distribution was equitable from the family and rural perspectives. Accessibility request of it being on line and printable as well as hard copies. An app has been discussed. Members discussed various distribution points to ensure equitable access.

**Executive Director Review Discussion**

The Council went into Executive Session for this discussion at 11:30. Eddie Plourde made a motion and Nicola Spears seconded the motion to have all OCDD staff and guests leave the meeting for this and future executive sessions. The motion carried with 18 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstentions. Council staff then left the meeting. There were no guests in the meeting.
The Council took a lunch break from Noon to 1 pm.

**Administration on Community Living Feedback on 5 Year Plan Initiatives**

Leslie Sutton shared feedback in a power point from the Administration on Community Living.

If you are interested in joining an ad hoc membership committee, connect with Leslie and Daniel. Nicola, Eddie, Kelly, Mak volunteered. Possible topics; Council size, location, equity and orientation/onboarding process.

ACL has recommended changes in Goal language, Objective identification and language changes.

Broke into small groups twice to discuss amended language, clarify concepts and discuss potential additions.

**Public comment**

No public comment

**Emergent topics**

EZ Voter guide from Disability Rights Oregon - May is when fundraising will start for funding this for the November. There may be an ask at the June Council meeting.

Oregon Health Authority has convened a Resource Allocation Advisory Committee and is asking OCDD asked for a representative. This committee will be discussing statewide access to emergent medical care access. Daniel Alrick was selected by OHA to participate.

**One word closing round:** busy, spring, new opportunities, productive, empower, measurement, next steps, informative, reflect, inclusive, empowerment, changes, partnership, engaged, driven, developing, contemplative, collaborative, planning, fine-tune, anticipation, a lot of information.

Daniel adjourned the meeting at 3:13 pm.