

IDAHO COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

2010 FALL MEETING

Thursday, November 4, 2010, 8:30 am – 7:00 p.m.

Friday, November 5, 2010, 8:30 am – 12:00 p.m.

ICDD Office - 700 West State Boise, ID 83702

MINUTES

THURSDAY, November 4, 2010

<p>Meet in Committees (See separate committee minutes for details)</p>	<p>Council Committees met from 8:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Governance- Membership- Public Policy
<p>Call to Order</p>	<p>Alonzo Statham called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.</p> <p><u>Council members present:</u> Jim Baugh, Shiloh Blackburn, Toni Belknap-Brinegar, Bettina Briscoe, Dona Butler, Jane Donnellan, Ike Gayfield, Kristyn Herbert, Jacque Hyatt, Chris Lynch, Debra Parsons, Joe Raiden, Lisa Robbe, Mitch Scoggins, Alonzo Statham, James Steed, Joni Sullivan, Paul Tierney, Denise Wetzel</p> <p><u>Council members absent:</u> Dave Dekker, TeRonda Robinson, Julie Fodor, Jo Lynn Garrison</p> <p><u>Guests:</u> Jess Gilkison, Matt Wimmer - Medicaid, Rich Eberle and Renee from American Medical Response (AMR), Trina Balanoff for Julie Fodor</p> <p><u>Staff present:</u> Marilyn Sword, Amanda Holloway, Tracy Warren, Christine Pisani, Ron Enright, Shane Carlton</p> <p>Sign-in/out sheets were distributed.</p>
<p>Approval of Minutes from July 2010 Meeting ➔</p>	<p>Council reviewed the minutes. Motion by Dona Butler to accept, second by Debra Parsons; James Steed abstained. Motion carried.</p>
<p>Chair's Report <i>Alonzo Statham</i></p>	<p>Alonzo reported on the success of the Self-Advocacy Conference. It was a lot of fun with many incredible presentations.</p> <p>Alonzo informed the Council that he has moved to Washington State to start a carpentry and ceramics business with his brother. They will be making assistive devices like lap trays, furniture and dishes.</p>

	<p>Because of this move, Alonzo announced that he was resigning as Council Chair and from the Council as a member. He said that this has been one of the best experiences of his life and that he would miss everyone. He thanked the Council members for allowing him to participate and to serve as Chair.</p>
<p>Financial Report <i>Amanda Holloway</i></p> <p>➔</p>	<p>Amanda presented the financial report and draft 2011 budget.</p> <p>James Steed moved to approve the draft budget; second by Joni Sullivan. Motion passed unanimously. Joni Sullivan moved to approve the financial report; second by Dona Butler. Motion passed unanimously</p>
<p>Committee Reports/Recommendations Governance Committee</p>	<p>Governance Committee: Lisa Robbe reported on behalf of the committee. The JRW Building, where the Council’s new offices are located has a men’s restroom on the first floor that, while not ideal, does meet basic accessibility requirements. Some minor modifications will be made to make one larger stall. In addition, the Council requested a push button opener on the door to the Council office. This has been determined to be too expensive. Instead, a door bell will be added to alert staff when someone needs assistance with the door.</p> <p>The committee reviewed a number of conference reports. The individuals that the Council sponsored to go to these conferences will be invited to attend the public forums to be held around the state. The conference funds account has been spent down.</p> <p>We have learned that ADD is sponsoring some summits for the DD Networks with a focus on self-advocacy. They will be held regionally around the country, and will be held between January and June 2011. There is an expectation that the network triad will be sending a delegation of approximately 10 people from each state. Our regional hub is Seattle but we don’t know if that’s where it will be. We may be asked to put together a delegation to go to this meeting.</p> <p>ADD is currently holding six public forums around the country to gather public input. Lisa will be attending</p>

the forum in Denver in December and will bring information back to the Council.

The committee discussed representation of our Council on the EC3 (Early Childhood Coordinating Council). Although we are included as a member in the Executive Order, we have not been participating. Now that the EC3 is seeking legislative authority, the committee would like to have a DD Council member on their Council.

Public forums on the five year plan are going to be held around the state. Marilyn will be participating in the North Idaho forums next week. Ron and Christine will be holding forums in Eastern Idaho the following week.

Executive Director evaluation to be discussed later.

**Consumer Leadership
Caucus**

Consumer Leadership Caucus:

James Steed reported that the Caucus moved to do more research on background checks on guardians and conservators. This would be a project for the future and, when developed, a proposal will be presented first to the Public Policy Committee. The Caucus also moved to do additional research on natural supports and Kristyn suggested having someone knowledgeable about natural supports come talk with us about what they are and how they can be of use to persons with disabilities.

Membership Committee

Membership Committee: In the absence of the committee chair, Tracy Warren provided the committee report. A Council member attendance report covering January 2009 – July 2010 was presented to the committee. The committee discussed member attendance and how we can continue to support good attendance at Council meetings. The committee presented a proposed resolution that stated that if an agency rep cannot come to the meeting, they need to send a substitute that can provide useful information from the agency. Agency subs cannot vote but can share information of interest to the council regarding the agency's activities.



Denise Wetzel moved to accept the resolution on agency substitutions at Council meetings. Debra

Membership Committee
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Parsons seconded the motion. Mitch Scoggins made a substitute motion to accept the resolution with a wording change from agency to named organizations in the first line of the resolution. Shiloh Blackburn seconded the substitute motion. Council members discussed Policy 103 and it was determined that the wording was clear regarding agency participation. Policy 103 also identifies federally mandated agencies. Mitch withdrew the substitute motion. Original motion was voted on and carried unanimously.

The committee also reviewed planning process materials. It was requested last meeting that we provide clear information to Council members about how they can participate in the planning process. Staff shared with the group the materials that had been developed so far for focus groups and public forums. The materials will help Council members understand what it takes to put on a public forum in their local area.

The committee asked for clear information on parliamentary procedures and a “cheat sheet” that could be used in Council packets. This will help Council members follow correct procedures during meetings. Parliamentary Procedures booklets were passed out to Council members. We will be making a simplified two-sided cheat sheet to distribute at the next Council meeting.

The committee reviewed policies surrounding officer vacancies and discussed having an acting officer until nominations and election can take place. The Vice-chair will be the acting chair for the next two meetings until nominations and election take place during the spring meeting. The consumer rep will serve a dual role as acting Vice-chair and Consumer Rep. for the next two meetings until nominations and election take place during the spring meeting

Kristyn Herbert moved to accept the committee reports. Joni Sullivan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.



<p>Presentation on Medicaid Transportation Brokerage</p>	<p>Matt Wimmer of Medicaid presented this information on non-emergent medical transport.</p> <p>AMR (American Medical Response) was awarded the contract for the transportation brokerage. AMR is staffed locally out of Meridian. As of September 1, 2010, individuals will call AMR to schedule their non-emergent medical transport. The brokerage is meant to be a last resort and should be used only if the person has no friends and family that can provide rides. AMR will determine eligibility of the participant to use the brokerage. If a person is on the local bus lines but cannot afford to ride, AMR will provide a bus pass. AMR is required to provide transportation regardless of the area of the state that the person lives in and is looking into getting more accessible vehicles to accommodate people that cannot transfer on their own. AMR has taken 15-18,000 calls into their center in the last two months. About 3% of the calls are used for quality control of the call center. Recurring appointments are scheduled out 90 days at a time. It is up to the contracted transportation provider to outfit their vehicles to provide safe transport to clients in all weather conditions. Participants need to call in to the brokerage 48 business hours prior to transport. If the person has an urgent medical appointment that is not 48 hours out, AMR will schedule the transportation for that appointment.</p>
<p>Medicaid Dental Services</p>	<p>Since 2007, Medicaid has contracted with Blue Cross of Idaho to provide dental services to Medicaid clients on the basic plan. Blue Cross subcontracts with Dentaquest, a national dental services administrator. Medicaid has extended that contract to include all enhanced plan members. The only people that are excluded from that are people that are 65 years and older that have not elected to have their dental care taken care of through their Medicare Advantage plan. Ninety percent of Medicaid clients are covered under the Idaho Smiles Plan. Idaho Smiles started credentialing dentists and that led to the current situation. They offered every dentist that was previously credentialed in the Idaho Smiles Program an opportunity to continue providing services under the new contract. New dentists can sign up as long as</p>

	<p>they meet the credentialing requirements. Medicaid requires that the program provide a choice of providers within 30 miles in an urban area and 60 miles in rural areas. Dentaquest has far exceeded this in most cases. Most people have the dentist of their choice in their community available to them. Medicaid also has some contract standards covering access to dental services and time periods. Regular appointments must be scheduled within 45 days, problems need to be taken care of within a week, and emergencies must be handled within 24 hours. If someone needs to find a dentist that is within the network, Dentaquest is able to help with that within a week or within 2 business days if the need is urgent. If a person cannot find an in-network provider, an out-of-network provider will have to be used to make sure their needs are being met. Although the fee schedule is reduced, over 90 percent of the dentists signed up again. Fees were reduced 8-9% depending on the codes used.</p>
<p>Full Council Meeting</p>	<p>Council reconvened at 1:15 pm</p>
<p>Discussion on Legislative Slate</p>	<p>Issues:</p> <p>Priority 1: Oppose Children’s Redesign as rules are currently written. There is concern about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • funding for school based services beyond 2012 • access to intervention services to children that are on HCBS state plan • crisis intervention services being available to any child with a developmental disability who needs them • the qualifications of, adequacy of, access to, and reimbursement to providers • Individualized budgets and if they are going to be dictated by SIB-R scores; we oppose that. <p>Priority 1: Oppose rules changing Medicaid basic and enhanced plan benefits. There are a lot of problems in the way that they are written.</p> <p>Priority 2: Support the legislation that would clearly define admission requirements to ISSH. This piece of legislation is consistent with Council goal to have some transparency in the admission</p>

<p>Legislative Slate</p>	<p>criteria for ISSH.</p> <p>Priority 2: Support certified family home rules that state that no CFH can be the guardian of a resident unless the proposed guardian is a parent, child, sibling or grandparent of the resident.</p> <p>Priority 2: Support creation of a TBI trust fund. Disability Rights Idaho, TBI Association and the Institute of Rural Health at ISU are going to be introducing a bill that authorizes a trust fund to be used to fill the gaps for people with TBI to purchase services. The trust will be funded through additional fees generated through increased traffic violation fines. It may be administered by Vocational Rehabilitation.</p> <p>Priority 2: Oppose proposed cut in personal care attendant rates. The reduction makes home and community based services difficult to access.</p> <p>Priority 3 (with potential to become a priority 1): Monitor the changes to the consumer directed rules. If the Children’s Redesign passes, then this will need to be moved to a priority one. If it doesn’t pass, then the consumer directed support rules are moot.</p> <p>Safe and Supportive Schools rule will not move forward this legislative session.</p> <p>There were questions about how service coordination will be affected by some of these changes. The rules that were published in September will be published again in January and if there are any changes in service coordination, it will be made public at that time.</p>
<p>Council Open House</p>	
<p>FRIDAY, November 5, 2010</p>	
<p>Work Team Meetings</p>	<p>Work Team Meetings (concurrent) 8:30–10:30 a.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Community Living – Education Participant Directed Services – Self Advocacy and Self Determination
<p>Call to Order</p>	<p>Council reconvened at 10:45 a.m. Alonzo Statham called the meeting to order.</p> <p><u>Council members present:</u> Jim Baugh, Shiloh Blackburn, Toni Belknap-Brinegar, Bettina Briscoe,</p>

	<p>Dona Butler, Jane Donnellan, Ike Gayfield, Kristyn Herbert, Jacque Hyatt, Chris Lynch, Debra Parsons, Joe Raiden, Lisa Robbe, Mitch Scoggins, Alonzo Statham, James Steed, Joni Sullivan, Paul Tierney, Denise Wetzel, TeRonda Robinson</p> <p><u>Council members absent:</u> Dave Dekker, Julie Fodor, Jo Lynn Garrison</p> <p><u>Guests:</u> Pamela Rose, Pamela Blackburn,</p> <p><u>Staff present:</u> Marilyn Sword, Amanda Holloway, Tracy Warren, Christine Pisani, Ron Enright, Shane Carlton</p> <p>Sign-in/out sheets were distributed.</p>
<p>Project Reports</p> <p>Self Advocacy Conference</p>	<p>Self-Advocacy Conference: 175 people attended the conference. All of the presenters and moderators at the conference were self-advocates. The dance and the karaoke events were a big hit. A special thanks goes out to DRI, LINC and LIFE for sponsoring those events. A lot of people attended from all over the state, many of whom were new to the Council. It was nice to see many of the seasoned self-advocates taking the students and new self-advocates under their wing and help them get the most out of the conference. Many thank you cards were received from attendees of the conference.</p>
<p>Housing Summit</p>	<p>In conjunction with Community Partnerships, the Council sponsored a Housing Summit in September put on by John Shea of Shea and Associates of California. Mr. Shea spent much of the morning talking about SSI and SSDI and presented information on pooled trusts in the afternoon. These trusts allow families of people with disabilities to pool their money into a trust to help pay expenses like mortgages. Mr. Shea gave an example of three friends that wanted to live together in their own home. The families created a non-profit organization for distribution of funds from the pooled trust and that is how they paid their mortgage. Information on pooled trusts can be found on the North Bay Housing Coalition's website (http://www.northbayhousingcoalition.org).</p>

<p>Disability Mentoring Day</p>	<p>Disability Mentoring Day: The five communities that applied for grant funds were Idaho Falls, Magic Valley-Twin Falls, Boise-Meridian, North Central-Lewiston-Moscow and Coeur d’Alene. Idaho Falls came back for the 10th year. Each community received \$875 with the exception of Coeur d’Alene. Coeur d’Alene received \$500 because they had limited mentoring opportunities to green industries only. The projected numbers of participants for DMD was approximately 250. The Council should be getting reports from the communities in the next few weeks and should be able to report on outcomes at the next quarterly meeting. Joe Raiden was the keynote for the North Central event. There were 8 students in Joe’s area that participated.</p>
<p>Person-Centered Planning Grant</p>	<p>Person-Centered Planning Grant – Tracy distributed an update. This information was provided to both the stakeholder group and CMS.</p> <p>During the last quarter, the original grant period ended. The contracts for the 12 specialists ended October 15th. Four of the 12 are continuing under contract during the no-cost extension period. They will be working in more focused areas to incorporate person-centered planning into systems. These areas are the educational system, transitions from both high school to adult like and toddler to school-age, self-direction in the Medicaid system and institutional discharge planning. The update outlines the work that the specialists have been doing.</p> <p>This quarter, three teams of two people each were recruited to be trained as trainers by the Friends in Action program to provide caregiver informational classes. Before July 1, 2011, each team will have implemented a caregiver class in their communities and report back to the Council. The classes will be for caregivers of people with disabilities. The classes help the caregivers pay attention to what their needs are, their stress level, learn strategies to lower their stress and learn about resources that they can use to help them as a caregiver to sustain themselves.</p> <p>The Council is moving forward with Community Partnerships to implement the Neighbor to Neighbor</p>

	<p>project. The Council will provide grant funds for staff to conduct a pilot of the model they are developing. These staff will be specifically working to help individuals develop relationships in their communities and make more connections.</p> <p>The Person Centered Planning Training has been opened up to additional people. This training is 5 weeks on-line followed by a two-day in-person session. The class was limited to 15 people and focused on support brokers, direct service personnel and teachers. Another five-week training will be offered in April.</p>
<p>2010 Year End Report <i>Marilyn Sword</i></p>	<p>Marilyn gave a Power Point presentation on the FY2010 Council outcomes. Presentation is attached.</p>
<p>Five Year Plan</p>	<p>Update on Five Year Plan Progress: The Council website has a survey about the five year plan. All Council members are encouraged to take the survey on the website to provide input on what the Council should focus on in the next 5 years. The Council has conducted 7 focus groups to date. In addition to the focus groups, public forums are being held around the state. Once information is gathered, staff will pull it together and present it to the Council for input and prioritization. This will be on the agenda at the January Council meeting and a full day of planning will occur at the April meeting. It must be submitted to ADD by August 15th, 2011. See Focus Group Summary handout to see a summary of the information gathered through the focus groups to date.</p>
<p>New Agenda Items</p>	<p>Providing info on the planning process and Council member role in that process. Legislative visits Gordon Graff from Dept. of Labor present on transition age programs.</p>
<p>Recognition</p>	<p>Marilyn presented a certificate to Alonzo in recognition of his service as Council member and Chair.</p>
<p>Meeting evaluation and adjourn</p>	<p>Meeting adjourned at 12:01 pm</p>