

**Developmental Disabilities Council
Individual and Family Advocacy Workgroup
July 20, 2017
8:30 to 11:30**

Location: SeaTac Conference Center
SeaTac, Washington

Draft Work Group Minutes

Present: Adrian Patayon, Ryan Troyer, David Lord, Maggie Craughan, and Sue Searles, Anthony Nash, Mike Raymond

Staff: Emily Rogers, Linda West and Brian Dahl

Support: Stephanie McCormick

Call to Order

Adrian Patayon called the meeting to order and asked for introductions.

Approval of April 2017 Minutes

ACTION: April 2017 minutes were approved.

Anthony made the motion and Mike seconded to approve the minutes as written.

Leadership Proposal-Donna Patrick

Donna gave some history of the Council's Leadership Development Program and reported that many people feel it is time to move into exploring Advanced Leadership. The Council held a meeting with stakeholders to get ideas. The two things the Council can do for the rest of this calendar year are the Steering Committee and the Advanced Legislative weekend. The Council will proceed with these two items with the Work Group's approval. Several Work Group members expressed an interest in being involved in the effort.

Self-Advocates in Leadership (SAIL) Report-Noah Seidel

Noah gave a PowerPoint presentation about SAIL. SAIL has increased the number of people with developmental disabilities involved in system change activities. We

had approximately 250 SAIL members involved in many different phases of the system change process. SAIL has met with legislators both during SAIL meetings and at their offices. We have discussed new and current DD legislation and other issues that are less DD specific. SAIL has done both internal and external trainings in order to increase people with developmental disabilities in system change. SAIL continues to be an important voice in our state in terms of listening to the position and perspective of people with disabilities.

Smart Home Technology Project-Joint session with Systems Advocacy

This presentation focused on the technology used in individual's homes to help them to be less dependent on traditional supports. This included things like:

IPad, Door Opener, Smart Plugs, Skype, Smart Smoke Detectors. It was a great presentation and gave good ideas as to how common technologies that are off the shelf can really assist people with disabilities. There are plans in the works to make the information about these technologies more widely available.

Self-Advocacy/Civil Rights Updates

- People First of Washington conference is in Yakima at the Yakima Red Lion on September 29, 2017-October 1, 2017. Please contact People First of Washington directly for more details.

Brief Equal Partners Interstate Congress Update-Emily Rogers/Brian Dahl

We are in the final stages of putting together the EPIC conference this includes contacting all of the participants to be sure all of their accommodation needs are addressed. All of the last minute details are getting ironed out. People from 11 states have been invited to the conference.

Review of Policy number 116: Rights and Supports of Parents Who Have A Developmental Disability

There was a brief introduction to this policy however, a more detailed discussion will be scheduled for the next meeting.