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**University of Guam Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities
Education, Research, & Service (CEDDERS)**

Advisory Council Quarterly

Meeting Minutes

June 02, 2017

3:30pm – 5:00pm

GSAT House 19

Members And Representatives Present:

Josephine Guerrero, Parent, Vice Chairperson

Rosanne Ada, Executive Director, Guam Developmental Disabilities Council

Maria Bontogon, Self-Advocate

Joseph Gumataotao, Director, EEO and Title IX/ADA Coordinator, University of Guam

Barbara Johnson, Self-Advocate

Linda Rodriguez, Administrator, BOSSA, DPHSS

Ben Servino, Executive Director, DISID

Terese Crisostomo for Yolanda Gabriel, Asst. Superintendent, GDOE, Division of Special Education

Carol Cabiles for Harold Parker, Guam Legal Services Corporation - Disability Law Center

Others Present:

None

Members Absent:

Leone Rohr, Parent, Chairperson

Erlinda Tydingco, Self-Advocate

Marcelene Santos, Public Guardian

Joyce Tejerasas, Parent

Guam CEDDERS Staff Present:

Heidi San Nicolas, Ph.D., Director

June De Leon, Associate Director

Terrie Fejarang, Associate Director

Jenika Ballesta, Research Associate

Items Disseminated (Electronically)

1. Advisory Council Quarterly Meeting Agenda
2. Draft Minutes for March 10, 2016 Advisory Council Meeting
3. Draft CEDDERS Core Grant Work Plan Update, Year 4, Third Quarter
4. *DRAFT* Guam CEDDERS March 2017 *I Tellai* Newsletter

- I. Call to order
 - a. Mrs. Josephine Guerrero, Vice Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 3:44pm.
 - b. Roll call was conducted by Council members introducing themselves.
- II. Review and Approval of Minutes
 - a. Mrs. Rosanne Ada motioned to approve the minutes. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Linda Rodriguez. Motion carried unanimously.
- III. Work Plan Updates
 - a. Ms. Terrie Fejarang shared the Draft Work Plan Updates. The information in the Work Plan Updates is similar to the information provided in the *I Tellai* newsletter and is used for reporting purposes for our Core grant funding.
 - b. Ms. Fejarang pointed out that on the front page of the draft newsletter was a summary of the Disability Summit, which was held on May 30 at The Westin Resort Guam.
 - 1. To ensure a balance of stakeholders representing various groups, including persons with disabilities, family members, and agency representatives, attendance to the Summit was by invitation.
 - 2. Each group looked at "What was working", "What was NOT working" then discussed priorities, and brainstormed strategies.
 - 3. The Top 5 priorities were: Employment; Education/Early intervention; 3&4 (tied) Transportation and Health; Housing.
 - 4. Mr. Ben Servino shared his experience, saying "People were engaged and the structure was good. Very productive!"
 - 5. Ms. Barbara Johnson shared that the Summit was "fine."
 - 6. Ms. Fejarang discussed that the next step is to create a document of the input collected, which would be used as reference.
 - 7. Guam CEDDERS would like to use the input collected as a "spring board" to conduct smaller input sessions.
- IV. Election
 - a. Mrs. Leone Rohr, Chairperson, sent her apologies for not being present as she is currently off-island. Mrs. Josephine read a letter written by Mrs. Leone, expressing that she is interested in running for re-election as Chairperson of the Advisory Council.
 - b. Dr. Heidi San Nicolas raised a concern of a possible conflict of interest relating to a situation where someone who serves on the Council whose organization also is contracted to work.
 - c. A motion was made by _____, and seconded by Ms. Linda Rodriguez, to table the election until more members are present. The motion passed unanimously.
- V. Other
 - a. Mrs. Rosanne Ada expressed a concern about the return of more than five individuals with developmental disabilities from the mainland that may need homes and are on the waiting

list for services. Mr. Servino suggested checking in with Ray Vega and Benny Pinaula from the Department of Behavioral Health and Wellness on the status of this issue.

b. New Core Grant Application

1. Dr. San Nicolas briefly shared information relating to the new CEDDERS CORE grant. The new grant will be due in March of 2018. CEDDERS will be notifying Advisory Council members when smaller input sessions will take place.

VI. Upcoming Events

- a. June 3, 9am to 2pm - Special Olympics at the Agana Pool.
- b. June 9, 4pm - Public Hearing on Senator Rodriguez' Bill 96-34, \$150,000 appropriation for Hunter's Speak for Autism Center.
- c. June 9, 1pm - ADA Celebration Planning at DISID
- d. Ms. Maria Bontogon shared her experience with an AT Device, which provided audio descriptions to her during a movie at the GPO Theater. She explained that Micronesia Mall Theater did not have the device when she inquired.

VII. Adjournment

- a. Ms. Rodriguez made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Joseph Gumataotao seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 4:44pm.

Attendance Record

Name	3/9/16	6/3/16	9/2/16	12/16/16	3/10/17	6/2/17
1. Ada, Rosanne			✓	✓		✓
2. Bontogon, Maria	*	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3. Gabriel, Yolanda	✓		++	++		++
4. Guerrero, Josephine	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
5. Johnson, Barbara					**	✓
6. Parker, Harold	++	++	✓	++	++	++
7. Rodriguez, Linda	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
8. Rohr, Leone	✓	*	✓	✓	✓	+
9. Santos, Marcelene	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	*
10. Servino, Ben	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
11. Terejasas, Joyce					**	
12. Tydingco, Erlinda	✓	*	+	+		

✓ Present

*Excused Absence

**First meeting

+off-island

++sent a substitute