



Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) Meeting Agenda

August 17, 2026

5:00 PM to 7:00PM

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AGENDA

1) Call to Order

2) Establish of Quorum

A. A quorum is defined as more than half of the committee members being present, which is required for any official votes to take place. For this committee, at least four members must be present to conduct a vote. However, if a quorum is not met, the committee may still convene to discuss topics and engage in problem solving activities without voting on any matter.

B. There are Six members of this committee.

- a. Sandra Van Scotter, chair (SCDD appointee)
- b. Rick Wood, co-chair (SCDD appointee)
- c. Courney Mangus (OCRA representative, required by statute),
- d. Norma Tuiasosopo (Family Resource Center representative- Exceptional Families Center, required by statute)
- e. Lorie Stewart (SCDD appointee)
- f. Kelly Kulzer-Reyes (KRC Appointee)
- g. Nicholas Lutton (State Council Representative, required by statute)

C. If you are interested in serving, please contact Enrique Roman,

Enrique.Roman@kernrc.org or Nicholas Lutton, Nicholas.Lutton@scdd.ca.gov

3) Additional Items: Members can add discussion items here. Items added today are not open for a vote. You can also mention things you would like to focus on at a future meeting.

4) Public Comment: Comments about items not on the agenda are welcome! If your concern/topic is on the agenda, please join the discussion and add your thoughts there, too.

5) Approval of SDLVAC Minutes

Action

A. July 6, 2026 (Attachment 1)

6) Status of SDP (Wood/ Van Scotter)

Discussion

A. Updates on: SDP, both at KRC and statewide

a. Celebrations (all)

b. Obstacles (all)

c. Directives (Wood/ Van Scotter)

d. Statewide Committee updates (Wood/ Van Scotter)

7) State Council Updates (Nicholas Lutton)

Discussion

8) KRC Updates

Discussion

A. Self-Determination Program (SDP) Enrollment

B. SDP updates on process and procedures on the website

C. General Updates on the Self-Determination Program

D. Discussion on RFP status

9) Topics for Next Meeting

Discussion

D. Members of the public – suggestions welcome

Upcoming meeting 2026 SDLVAC meeting schedule:

October 5, 2026	November 2, 2026	December 7, 2026
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10) Adjournment

Action

Attachment 1

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Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SDAC) Meeting Minutes

Monday, July 6, 2026

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:04 pm.
2. Quorum Established: Confirmed.
 - A. Members in attendance:
 - a. Sandra Van Schotter, Co-Chair (SCDD appointee)
 - b. Rick Wood, Chair (SCDD appointee)
 - c. Kelly Kulzer-Reyes (KRC appointee)
 - d. Lorie Stewart (SCDD appointee)
 - e. Norma Tuiasosopo (Family Resource Center representative- Exceptional Families Center, required by statute)
 - f. Courney Mangus (Representative for Office of Client Rights Advocacy, OCRA)
 - g. Nicholas Lutton (State Council Representative, required by statute)
 - B. Absentees:
 - a. None
3. Additional Items:
 - A. Add State Council as a standing discussion point to provide updates, creating a new standing agenda item.
4. Public Comment:
 - A. KRC is hosting free Person-Centered Thinking, with upcoming dates for training in August and September.
 - B. Ricardo DelHoyo thanked Kern Regional Center for hosting the vendor fair. It was very well organized, thanks to Isis and Frances. PPL was excited to connect with families and Service Coordinators. PPL was able to connect with about fifteen attendees who showed interest.
 - C. Nick Lutton introduced Esteban Ortiz, from SCDD.
 - D. Esteban Ortiz, SCDD (San Bernardino Regional Office), provided updates on the National Core Indicators (NCI) Survey.
 - a. Esteban Ortiz, Analyst II, Quality Assessment Coordinator – Esteban.Ortiz@scdd.ca.gov
 - b. Alondra Castillo, Analyst II, Community Program Specialist – Alondra.Castillo@scdd.ca.gov

- E. Kelly Kulzer- Reyes. Asked for clarification; her understanding was that the survey used random selection, rather than sending it to everyone who met the criteria.
 - F. Norma: met with Devonne; they are now distributing survey flyers to families at each service visit.
 - G. Isis: To clarify, KRC's catchment area includes Inyo and Mono Counties.
 - H. Tomas: Esteban's manager, Patricia, has been a great collaborator to Isis and me. KRC had an NCI presentation in December 2025.
5. Approval of SDLVAC minutes:
- A. Approval of May Minutes. Rick: noted two spelling corrections in item 2- Yang Lee and Peter Cervenka. No other changes. May Minutes: Rick moved to approve with the two spelling corrections; Sandra seconded, Kelly abstained, motion carried.
 - B. Approval of June Minutes: Rick abstained (absent in June). Sandra made the motion to approve, and Kelly seconded; motion carried.
6. Status of SDP: (Wood /Van Scotter)
- A. Updates on: SDP, at KRC and Statewide.

As we are at the end of the fiscal year, there are upcoming changes we will discuss this evening. This should give everyone a clear picture of where things stand amid the uncertainty. With the committee's agreement, we will move on to that discussion.

 - a. Celebrations: none
 - b. Obstacles: none
 - c. Directives: (Wood/Van Scotter)

Sandra's updates: There were 13 new directives since the last meeting

Statewide Committee updates (Wood/Van Scotter): Rick shared updates on implementation funding. Discussion continued with regards to the updates of implantation funds and how they are spent.
7. KRC updates: Postpone the KRC updates.
- A. Self-Determination Program (SDP) enrollment (Postponed)
 - B. SDP updates on process and procedures on the website (Postponed)
 - C. General updates on the Self-Determination Program (Postponed)
8. Request for Proposal review and discussion:
- A. All presenters had the opportunity to share their plans for training and support services, offered in both English and Spanish, through online and in-person training formats. Proposal Presentations:

Katie Ramirez, Ally Comprehensive Services.

Cindy Cox, Community Integration Specialist.

Judy Mark, President, Disability Voices United
Joe Tide Speak Group.

9. Topics for Next Meeting:

- A. Sandra reminded everyone of the August 3, 2026, meeting. Rick shared he would be sharing the status of the RFP with DDS.
- B. Upcoming meetings: No board of directors meeting this month. No CAC meeting in July.

10. Motion to adjourn made by Sandra, Kelly seconded, motion carried meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.