

**CENTER FOR DEVELOPMENT & DISABILITY**  
**CONSUMER ADVISORY BOARD (CAB)**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Sept. 6, 2006**

**Participants:**

CAB Members: Alan Greenfeld, Judy Greenfeld, Randy Costales, Jeffrey Griffith, Johanne Guyton, Darlene Hunter, Tony Husted, Marilyn Martinez, Jon Peterson, Ivie Vigil.

CDD Aligning Group: Cate McClain, Tanya B. McCue, Pat Osborn, Melody Smith, Mette Pedersen, Carolyn Richardson, Christy Barden.

1. **Welcome:** Cate McClain welcomed members to the meeting.

2. **Tanya B. McCue reviewed agenda:**

Tanya introduced her self as the new Family and Community Partnership Division Director and liaison to the CAB.

3. **What's New:**

Each individual introduced themselves and shared something either special/new that had happened to them since the last meeting.

4. **Report on Consumer Advisory Committees from The Association of University Centers on Disabilities :**

Tanya reviewed the reports findings and recommendations for meaningful participation of individuals with disabilities and families serving on Consumer Advisory Committees. Participants brainstormed how we could improve supports in the following areas:

□ **Individual Supports**

- ❖ Adjust counter height (reception, conference room)
- ❖ Provide tactile items (squeeze toys)
- ❖ Provide information in alternative formats (large print, technology computers)
- ❖ Provide child care (respite)
- ❖ Provide roster-of CAB members for mutual networking
- ❖ Meet with individuals before meeting to go over agenda (either by conference call or meeting)
- ❖ Support transportation- bus access, valet service
- ❖ Provide E-mail reminders
- ❖ Reach out to outer communities /Geographic diversity
- ❖ Review times we meet
- ❖ Explore distance technology
- ❖ Ensure cultural diversity

- **\$\$\$\$**
  - ❖ Price of gas for out of towners
  - ❖ Cab (taxi) support
  - ❖ Stipend amount increase?
  - ❖ We need to be leaders and demonstrate best practice
  
- **Communication**
  - ❖ Provide personal communication (phone call, check in etc.)
  - ❖ Say our names-when we speak (to help with identifying each other)
  - ❖ Individualize supports for individual needs.
  
- **Leadership Orientation**
  - ❖ Recruit from CDD programs, younger, families, and self-advocates.
  - ❖ Transition comm.→ self advocates
  - ❖ Disability support office (contact them)
  - ❖ Include LEND students
  - ❖ APS-Special Educ. Community personnel
  - ❖ Siblings of persons with disabilities.
  
- **Values/Outcomes**
  - ❖ CAB allows for meaningful and reciprocal participation (asking for input)
  - ❖ Commend Cate & Aligning group for being present at all meetings.
  - ❖ CDD follows up on program recommendations.
  - ❖ Still need to increase opportunities for CAB members to be on committees

#### 4. **PathFinders Process:**

Pat Osbourne reported on Pathfinders and how the CDD was participating in this entrepreneurial process. The CDD had identified a team of Center staff and members of the community (including a CAB member, Darlene Hunter) to undertake the PathFinder training program to guide us on establishing a “product” or business venture to produce income and unrestricted funds. One of the marketing exercises was to list the CDD’s assets and public image.

CAB members were asked to provide input on the question:

**“What is the first thing that comes to mind when you think of the CDD.”**

The following responses were put on a flip chart:

- Empowerment Services
- Families
- Hope
- Free literature/library
- Grants
- Enterprise new ideas
- Statewide/state government
- Outreach
- Research
- Improvement of services
- Model Best Practice

- ❑ Umbrella of protection.
- ❑ Support to parents and teachers.
- ❑ Disabilities
- ❑ Gathering place for persons with Developmental Disabilities
- ❑ Networking
- ❑ Diagnosis- treatment

The CDD is a safety net

Leader in facilitating

**Ideas for the future:**

- ❑ Expand family support (sibling)
- ❑ Expanding services statewide (satellite offices)
- ❑ Collaboration-given scarce funds:
- ❑ Expand to systems change efforts that benefit people w/disabilities
- ❑ Improving methods/tools in early diagnosis-expanding coverage
- ❑ CDD need to do more public awareness to what they do
- ❑ Legislature and Representatives need to be oriented (have a luncheon)
- ❑ Hot air balloon
- ❑ Leave a legacy campaign
- ❑ Capture stories of success
- ❑ Helping hands/Create a foundation to ensure sustainability.
- ❑ Partner w/other higher education programs in NM regarding disability issues.

**Next CAB Meeting:**

**Next meeting scheduled will be Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 07 from 11:00am to 2:30pm at the CDD in room 129.**

**Adjournment:**