Hawaii Self-Advocacy Advisory Council Minutes

Date: December 3rd, 2019

10:00am – 11:00am

**SAAC Members:** Alita Smith, Carleen Yamamoto, Joshua Iloreta, Cody Streeter, Willabeth Ludingon, Alexandra Mcclurg, Travis Planas, Robert Stuart

**Guests:** Melissa Iida, Davlyn Brede, Anne Hvizdak

**Agenda:**

**Call to Order:** Josh

**Welcome and Introductions:** Josh

Discussion:

* Introduction Completed

**Friendly Reminders:** Alita/Willabeth

Discussion:

* Read by Robby and presented by Cody

**Statements from the Public**

Discussion:

* Update from Anne: The legislature needs to hear stories of your experience with Dentists and dental services. They are reaching out to Kauai individuals as we have a good history advocating for dental services. There are four documents that were handed out “Aloha Care”, “Advocacy Talking Points”, Hawaii Oral Health Coalition”, and “Native Hawaiian Community Leads Way to Improve Oral Health Statewide”. These packets are information on talking points for reinstating adult dental services. We need at least one or two stories from staff, family, or individuals in need of these services. People are also needed to be in an informational video, if you are interested in being in the video please speak with Anne from Waimea Easterseals. Anne is now officially a part of the Oral health coalition. The next meeting will take place on Friday December 13th at the department of health office (the Kauai meeting). There is a group going around trying to take video’s of people stories regarding their experiences with dental services or lack there of. The current legislative argument is that the state is paying for emergency room cost of people who are suffering problems because of lack of dental services. If the state had dental services the cost could be offset by the money saved from emergency room visits.

**Approval of Minutes:** Josh

Discussion:

* Approved with correction from Waimea Easterseals

**Update from SAAC President’s Report:** Read by Ryan

Discussion:

* Josh would like to go to the SPIN Conference

**Treasurer Report:** Colleen

Discussion:

* Nothing has changed without budget. We still have $200 in the SAAC account.

**Sign Waiving:** Che

Discussion:

* Still looking into possibility of working with police force.

**SAAC Logo Contest:**

Discussion:

* We have voted on Kauai and now we await the votes to be counted

**Social Media:**

Discussion:

* Please add the Facebook page to your friends list. It is called Kauai SAAC

**Feeling Safe Being Safe:**

Discussion:

* Ryan has had a meeting with Zosimo, Josh is too busy to participate. Cody has expressed interest consistently.

**Member Reports**

Discussion:

* Travis Planas: I like to go to special Olympics Oahu, I helped light the torch.
  + I scored a total of 481 Points
* Alexandra: I love to go to Special Olympics and I love bowling
  + My score was 264 points and I got second place
* Willabeth: Special Olympics in Oahu and she got third place
* Robby: Basketball team took 5th place, it was fun
* Josh: Will report on his meeting with the Mayor in the January meeting

**Announcements:**

Discussion:

* Next meeting is January 7th, 2019, 10:00am – 11:00am. State Building, 2nd Floor Conference Room.