

July 5, 2016

MEMORANDUM

TO: Developmental Disabilities Council Members

FROM: Sandee Winchell Executive Director

The July Council meeting will be held on **July 20th and 21st** at the **Holiday Inn** at **9940 Airline Hwy.** in Baton Rouge. Our committees will follow our regular Wednesday schedule and the business meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday. Please refer to the agenda linked below for more details.

All of the meeting documents are provided electronically to help you prepare for the meeting and will be provided in hard copy at the meeting:

- Council Meeting Agenda the links to the various reports are included on the agenda
- Status Report of Council Plan Activities

Please note on the agenda that you will be voting on revised Council member responsibilities. The Executive Committee has already approved these revisions and will be asking for the Council's approval.

You will also note on the agenda that the afternoon of the Council meeting will include the solicitation of feedback on Person Centered Planning and Coordination by the Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities (OCDD). A list of questions was provided by Dr. Brandi Kelly to help you prepare to provide input.

State Superintendent of Education John White will also be on our agenda to talk about changes to education policies related to the federal <u>Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)</u>.

These additional documents are available for your information:

- Attendance Chart
- <u>Committee List</u>
- <u>Council Representation on Other Disability Groups</u>
- Quarterly Meeting Schedule

The Council member address list is attached for your information as this document is not available to the public.

If you have not yet let us know of your planned attendance, please call Kourtney at (800) 450-8108 or email her at <u>Kourtney.gaines2@la.gov</u>. I look forward to seeing you in a couple of weeks. Please call me if you have any questions in the meantime.

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Enclosure