

Board Meeting Packet

September 18, 2019 ALAS 1615 S 22nd St Milwaukee WI 53204

September 19, 2019 American Serb Hall 5101 West Oklahoma Ave Milwaukee, WI 53219



Board Meeting

Milwaukee, Wisconsin · September 18th-19th, 2019

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September 10, 2019

Dear BPDD Board Directors,

This is my first letter as your board chair. Thank you for placing your trust and confidence in my abilities to assume the office of board chair. I am honored and humbled to be able to serve you in this capacity. I know it is a significant commitment, but I am prepared to work hard to build upon the success of the past and embrace the challenges yet to come.

I want to welcome all new BPDD Board Directors. We are very fortunate to have a fully staffed board for the first time in recent years. I am excited to see what we can accomplish this term and really looking forward to working alongside you.

As you probably know, we are gearing up to have a very busy year as we develop our next 5-year plan. We will begin this process during our September meeting, which is scheduled to take place at multiple locations. Committee meetings, dinner and a 5-year plan presentation-discussion will take place at ALAS on Tuesday, September 18th beginning at 3:30 p.m. ALAS is located at 1615 S 22nd St., Milwaukee 53204. On Wednesday September 19th we will be meeting at Independence First for our Annual Milwaukee Community Conversation and business meeting. Independence First is located at 540 S 1st St., Milwaukee 53204.

Greg and I have made board committee assignments. You should have received an email from Jeremy letting you know which board committee you have been assigned to. Please make plans to attend your board committee meeting on Tuesday, September 18th. If you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to let me know. I look forward to seeing you all at our September meeting in Milwaukee.

In the spirit of service,

Elsa Diaz-Bautista

Board Chair, Wisconsin Board for People with Developmental Disabilities

Elsa Dioz-Bautista



BOARD AGENDA SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2019

Wednesday, September 18, 2019							
Time	Symbol	Topic	Facilitator/Presenter				
3:30-4:30 PM		Diversity Committee Location: ALAS	All				
4:30-5:00 PM		Nominating and Membership Committee Location: ALAS	Staff: Jenny Neugart				
5:00-6:00 PM		Dinner/ ALAS Presentation Location: ALAS	ALAS Staff				
6:00-7:00 PM		Overview of State Plan Process Location: ALAS	Staff: Molly Cooney				

THURSDAY, SEPTE	Thursday, September 19, 2019							
Time	Symbol	Topic	Facilitator/Presenter					
8:30-9:00 AM		Breakfast at Hotel Location: Hotel	All					
9:00-9:45 AM		Consumer Caucus/Board Member Support Discussion Room: Serb Hall	All					
9:45-10:00 AM		Break – FILL OUT, SIGN, AND RETURN TRAVEL VOUCHERS to BPDD STAFF	All					
10:00-12:00 PM		Community Education Event Room: Serb Hall						













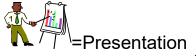
12:00-1:00 PM		Lunch	All
		Room: Serb Hall	
1:00-1:30 PM	()	Community Education Event – Wrap up Discussion	
		Location: Serb Hall	
1:30-2:30 PM		Business Meeting	All
		Chair Report	 Elsa Diaz-Bautista
		 Executive Director Report 	Beth Swedeen
		Executive Committee	Elsa Diaz-Bautista
		 Diversity Committee 	Barbara Beckert
	** / ·	 Nominating & Membership Committee 	Greg Meyer
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		Agency updates	Agency Reps

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2019 CONTINUED

Board members will be staying overnight at the **Best Western Plus Milwaukee West, located at 5501 West National Ave in Milwaukee**. The Wednesday night meetings will be held at **ALAS located at 1615 S 22nd St, Milwaukee, WI 53204**. Our Thursday September 19th meetings will be held at **Serb Hall located at 5101 West Oklahoma Avenue, Milwaukee 53219**. If you have any questions about the September Board meeting please contact Jeremy Gundlach at <u>Jeremy.Gundlach@wisconsin.gov</u> or 608-266-7826.















May 16, 2019 1:00-3:00 PM Best Western Premier Park Hotel 22 S Carroll St Madison, WI

Present:	Chair: Pam Malin Vice Chair: Elsa Diaz-Bautista, Barbara Beckert, Aliza Claire Bible, Gail Bovy, Lynn Carus, Kevin Coughlin, Ramsey Lee, David Pinno, Carole Stuebe, Leila Solati, Liz Hecht, Daniel Parker, Gail Bovy, Kediboyne Carpenter, Greg Meyer, Delores Sallis, Lynn Stansberry-Brusnahan, Patrick Friedrich,
Absent:	Nathaniel Lentz, Sarah Lincoln, Rita Fuller,
Staff Present:	Fil Clissa, Natasha Fahey-Flynn, Jeremy Gundlach, Tami Jackson, Beth Swedeen, Jennifer Neugart, Molly Cooney, Allison Kelly, Kaitlin McNamara
Staff Present:	

Chair Pam Malin called the meeting to order at 12:50 PM.

1. Chair Report:

 Pam recognized board members for all of the out of meeting participation that happened over the last month or so. We had board members testify at JFC public hearings, attend state budget trainings and other advocacy work. Pam also wanted to talk about our board members who are leaving the board. Delores Sallis will not be attending anymore board meetings so May is her last meeting.

2. Executive Director Report:

- The Administration on Community Living making structural changes. Breaking up Admin on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. P&A and Projects of National Significance would be housed in one silo and DD Councils and UCEDDs would be in other silos. We feel strongly that this is opposed to our values. A letter has been written outlining our concerns. Liz recommended a joint WI letter of the DD Council, P&A and UCEDD. Also want to have individual constituent meetings with our U.S. Representatives. Ramsey interested in his area Sean Duffy. Others interested in putting together meetings should contact Jenny
- Next state plan will start gearing up in summer/early fall. Molly will be the lead. Anyone
 interested in doing a community conversation in your area should contact Molly.
- National meeting this summer. Fil doing session on SDM
- Reminder the retreat is in July in Eau Claire. Wanda Willis will join us to talk about the DD Councils intent, history, direction, etc.
- Fiscal analysis in the packet. Have underspending so if there are ideas for innovative programs, let Beth know.

3. Executive Committee Report:

- Survey last year for Beth's review. A lot of people said they weren't aware of the financials so those are included in the board packets. Questions can go to Pam or Beth. Please take the time to review.
- Pointed out the DRAFT calendar for Board Meetings and Executive Committee meetings. Please put dates in your calendar now.
- The Board approved moving the March meeting to coincide with Disability Advocacy Day next year.
- Exec Committee also discussed switching our July retreat to September in order to have better attendance and more options to our retreat venues. Due to the DNC in 2020 and the year wait to sign contracts we will switch these meetings in 2021.

4. Nominating & Membership Committee Report:

 Greg Meyer recapped the committee meeting from the night before. Nominating and Membership talked about new board members and board members coming off the board. We are currently looking at where we need more membership from around the state. Pam talked about having a system in place for when board members are not attending. Pam, Greg, Beth and Jenny will be meeting with Cassi (the appointments director for the Governor) to discuss appointments this afternoon (5/16/19).

5. Diversity Committee Report:

Vice Chair Barbara Beckert gave an update on the discussion Diversity Committee had
the previous day. They discussed how BPDD is trying to set up infrastructure for
translation and support for people who aren't English speakers as their primary
language. Zongcheng Moua was on the phone for the discussion and gave lots of good
advice on how to reach out to the community. Pam Malin also brought up that
Zongcheng said we need to focus on going to non-disability related events which are
usually on Saturdays. He also suggested that we have a cultural connector attend with
a board member/staff at these events.

6. Board Member updates:

- Pam Malin talked about the Disabiilty Policy Seminar that board staff and several members went to. Robert Kuhr talked about how much of a learning experience it was.
- Molly Cooney talked about the Employment First conference and how we had record attendance. We also had 3-4 out of state people come to talk about integrated employment. New board member Ashely Mathy presented twice at the EF conference.
- Fil Clissa gave an update on the Self-Determination conference. The theme is technology and we have one of the main people from Dan Habib's new movie coming to do a keynote. Susan Borri will be premiering her new Self-Determination youtube channel for self-advocates.
- Ramsey talked about his experience on the board and how he wants to stay involved with the board.

7. Action Items:

- Motion to accept the January and March 2019 board meeting minutes made by Greg Meyer and seconded by Delores Sallis. The motion passed unanimously.
- Motion to accept the 2020 board meeting calendar made by Gail Bovy and seconded by Ramsey Lee.

8. Agency Updates:

DPI- See Attached

DRW- See Attached

DHS- No updates at this time

Waisman-See Attached

DWD -

- CIE plan/report will be posted by June 30.
- DVR, DPI and DHS are having ongoing meetings regarding data sharing
- DVR Directors and MCO Employment Leads are having a joint meeting on May 22 to discuss how to improve service delivery.
- DVR, DHS and DPI along with other stakeholders are having meetings to address service provider capacity and retention related to Supported Employment
- Project Search graduations are occurring in June.

Motion to adjourn made by Delores Sallis at 2:17 PM; seconded by David Pinno. Unanimously passed.



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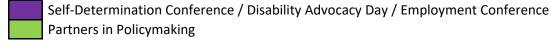
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Board Meeting Dates & Locations:

January 16 & 17, 2019	Premier Park Hotel 22 S Carroll St Madison WI, 53703
March 21, 2019	Premier Park Hotel 22 S Carroll St Madison WI, 53703
May 15 & 16, 2019	Premier Park Hotel 22 S Carroll St Madison WI, 53703
July 17 & 18, 2019	Lodging – Best Western Plus Eau Claire Conference Center 3340 Mondovi Rd, Eau Claire WI 54701 Meetings – UW Eau Claire Davies Center 77 Roosevelt Ave, Eau Claire, WI 54701
September 18 & 19, 2019	Serb Hall - 5101 West Oklahoma Ave, Milwaukee 53219
November 13 & 14, 2019	Premier Park Hotel - 22 S Carroll St Madison WI, 53703

Executive Committee Meeting Dates

February 5 th , 2019	2:00-3:00 PM
April 2 nd , 2019	2:00-3:00 PM
June 4 th , 2019	2:00-3:00 PM
August 6 th , 2019	2:00-3:00 PM
October 1 st , 2019	2:00-3:00 PM
December 3 rd , 2019	2:00-3:00 PM

Other BPDD Dates:

March 20, 2019	Disability Advocacy Day
May 15, 2019	Employment First Conference
October 14-16, 2019	Self-Determination Conference

^{*}Dates are not final and still need approval from the Board.



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Self-Determination Conference / Disability Advocacy Day / Employment Conference
Partners in Policymaking
National Election Day

Updated: 5/20/19 NF



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March 25, 2020	Premier Park Hotel 22 S Carroll St Madison WI, 53703
May 20 & 21, 2020	Premier Park Hotel 22 S Carroll St Madison WI, 53703
July 15 & 16, 2020	TBD – Possibly Rhinelander
September 16 & 17, 2020	TBD-Milwaukee Area
November 18 & 19, 2020	TBD

Executive Committee Meeting Dates

February 4 th , 2020	2:00-3:00 PM
April 7 th , 2020	2:00-3:00 PM
June 2 nd , 2020	2:00-3:00 PM
August 4 th , 2020	2:00-3:00 PM
October 6 th , 2020	2:00-3:00 PM
December 1 st , 2020	2:00-3:00 PM

Other BPDD Dates:

March 24, 2020	Disability Advocacy Day
TBD	Employment First Conference
October 26-28, 2020	Self-Determination Conference

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2019-2021 Committee Assignments

Diversity committee:

- 1. George Zaske
- 2. Kedibonye Carpenter
- 3. Andy Thain Chair
- 4. Barbara Beckert Vice Chair
- 5. Daniel Parker
- 6. Liz Hecht
- 7. Rita Fuller
- 8. Meredith Dressel
- 9. Desirae Kluth
- 10. Pam Malin

Possible – Still waiting on confirmation

- 1. Gail Bovy
- 2. David Pinno

Nominating and Membership Committee:

- 1. Ashley Mathy Vice Chair
- 2. Patrick Friedrich
- 3. Tricia Thompson
- 4. Nathan Ruffolo
- 5. Stephenie Mlodzik
- 6. Lynn Stansberry-Brusnahan
- 7. Kevin Coughlin
- 8. Robert Kuhr Chair
- 9. Pamela DeLap
- 10. Hector Portillo
- 11. Greg Meyer

Possible – Still waiting on confirmation

- 1. Leila Solati
- 2. Greg Meyer



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

BPDD Office and Teleconference

Chair: Elsa Diaz-Bautista Vice Chair: Greg Meyer, Gail Bovy, Leila

Present: Solati, Pam Malin

Staff Liaison: Beth Swedeen

Absent:

Staff Present: Beth Swedeen, Jeremy Gundlach

Meeting called to order at 2:00 pm.

1. Schedule of board meetings: Length especially with state plan:

- Beth brought up our shorter board meetings and the amount of work we need to do with state plan. It doesn't seem like our current schedule leaves enough time to get everything done. We could have more things scheduled on Wednesdays and we could meet later in the day on Thursday.
- Pam suggested that we have Governmental Affairs information sent as an email instead of having it as a long presentation.
- The board will discuss the need of consumer caucus at the September board meeting.

2. Angela Witt: NCI in November

- Kevin Coughlin asked if the Exec Committee would want to include an hour presentation on National Core Indicators at the November Meeting.
- Exec decided to have the NCI information just sent over as a handout.

3. Adding a caucus or preview phone call (Monday's before the meeting)

 This could help us get some extra time back during the Wednesday night meeting time. Elsa brought up that we could bring this up as a conversation at the next board meeting.

4. When should the Board Schedule Governmental Affairs Committee?

 Executive Committee discussed having GA during dinner on Wednesday nights, or if there isn't a consumer caucus, we could put GA during that time.

5. September Meeting Schedule and Community Education Event

3:30-4:30 PM	Diversity Committee
4:30-5:00 PM	Nominating and Membership Committee
5:00-6:00 PM	Dinner/ ALAS Presentation
6:00-7:00 PM	Overview of State Plan Process – Molly C

8:30-9:00 AM	Breakfast at Hotel	
9:00 -9:45 AM	Consumer Caucus/ brd mbr support discussion	
10:00- 12:00	Community Education Event	
PM		
12:00 – 1:00PM	Lunch	
1:00-1:30 PM	Community Education Event – Final Discussion	
1:30 – 2:30 PM	Business Meeting	

6. Scheduling executive Committee Meetings: Establish dates and times:

- Executive Committee has decided to keep the Tuesday from 2-3pm meeting time 6 weeks before the board meetings.
- The Committee will revisit this once the new calendar year starts.

7. <u>Update on Accelerated spending:</u>

- Tomorrow morning the BPDD workgroup on accelerated Spending is meeting to discuss options for spending.
- The bylaws state that Exec Comm needs to make the final judgement on any spending decisions so the workgroup will have to bring any options to Exec.
- Executive Committee will need to schedule another phone call to approve/deny whatever plans the workgroup makes after tomorrow. The committee has decided to have the Call on Friday August 9th at 2pm.

8. Other Agenda Items:

• The New Miss Wisconsin has a focus on Disability Rights and wants to interface with the board about how we can partner with her.

Motion to adjourn at 3:04 PM. Unanimously passed.



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

BPDD Office and Teleconference

Chair: Elsa Diaz-Bautista Vice Chair: Greg Meyer, Gail Bovy, Leila

Present: Solati, David Pinno

Staff Liaison: Beth Swedeen

Absent:

Staff Present: Beth Swedeen, Jeremy Gundlach

Meeting called to order at 2:00 pm.

1. <u>Discuss/Finalize Accelerated Spending Workgroup Plan</u>:

- Executive Director Beth Swedeen gave an update on how the meeting went with the workgroup on August 7th.
- 3-fold requirements
 - i. Require just a year of funding
 - ii. Something with a quick turnaround
 - iii. Already in the State Plan
- The <u>ATTACHED</u> document has the workplan that was created, for reference.
- The committee went through the line items and discussed how these ideas fulfill the 3-fold requirements.
- Board Chair Elsa requested a motion to vote on the workgroup plan minus the carepool initiative.
- David Pinno made a motion; Greg Meyer seconded the motion.
- The vote passed unanimously

Motion to adjourn at 2:16 PM. Unanimously passed.

Nominating Committee Agenda

4:30-5:00 PM

Meeting Location

Members: Chair: Greg Meyer Vice Chair: Open; Lynn Stansberry-Brusnahan, Patrick Friedrich

Staff Liaison: Jenny Neugart

Symbol	Topic:	Presenter:	Time:
	1. TopicChair Updates		
	2. Topic Board Member Recruitment		
	3. Topic		
	4. Adjourn		

Other Information:









Diversity Ad Hoc Committee Agenda

3:30-4:30 pm Location

Members

Chair: Andy Thain, Vice Chair: Kediboyne Carpenter; George Zaske, Desirae Kluth, Pam Malin,

Barbara Beckert, Meredith Dressel, Daniel Parker, Rita Fuller, Liz Hecht

Staff Liaison: Molly Cooney

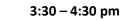
Symbol	Topic	Presenter	Time
	1. Call Meeting to order	Andy	3:30- 3:40
	2. Background on the Board's diversity efforts and walk through the Diversity Action Plan	Andy, Beth, Molly	3:40- 4:10
	3. Identify next Steps	All	4:10- 4:20
	4. Updates from Board Members	All	4:20- 4:30











Best Western premier Park Hotel



Committee Present:	Chair: Lynn Carus, Vice Chair: Barbara Beckert; Elsa Diaz-Bautista, Delores Sallis, Rita Fuller,	
Committee Absent:	bsent: Nathaniel Lentz, Rita Fuller, Molly Cooney	
Staff Present:	Jenny Neugart, Jeremy Gundlach	
Guests:	Zongcheng Moua, Barbara Gadbois, Andy Thain, Pam Malin, Daniel Parker	

Meeting called to order at 3:35 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order:

• Barbara opened up the meeting and board members and staff introduced themselves to our guest on the phone.

2. Newsletter Video and audio recordings:

- Zongcheng Moua with Moua Consulting Group joins by phone.
- MouaConsulting@gmail.com (Jeremy will send the newsletter to Zongcheng this afternoon).
 Zongcheng had concerns about having a strict schedule when receiving the newsletter so people have time to get it translated and out in a timely matter.
- Zongcheng talked about how outreach needs to look different for the Hmong community and it
 needs to be more word of mouth and attending family gatherings. Finding a Cultural Connector
 would be a huge help in getting into the community. Building trust is going to be essential.
- Elsa will be sending some info about a Hmong group in the Milwaukee area. June 15th there is a Hmong American Friendship community event in Milwaukee.
- Zongcheng said we should focus on getting our base materials translated and sent over, so we are
 prepared when going to a community event. The more visible we are in the community the easier it
 will be to ask for help. Pam suggested having a cultural connector at events to help facilitate
 conversations.
- Jeremy will make sure to get the BPDD brochure sent over to the printers as soon as possible so we can have them for any event coming up.
- Pam asked how we can find more community events around the state. Most events will be on the weekend so we need to be proactive about finding the events and staffing them.
- Jeremy will send out the committee's contact info and region so Zongcheng knows who are around Milwaukee.
- Our newsletter blurbs need to be shorter and to the point. Also if we send something out we need to make sure it is translated.
- We could put together a glossary of Disability related "jargon" so we can make sure things are being translated correctly. The OSEP Spanish glossary and the Waisman center Spanish dictionary as examples.

3. Partners in Policymaking discussion:

- Jenny brought up how we change Partners in Policymaking to be more accessible and reach more communities. It has been suggested that we have 3 sessions in Milwaukee and 3 sessions in Madison. Daniel Parker also suggested that we could have one main site and have the session telecasted elsewhere around the state.
- BPDD should send out a survey to all the past partners grads to gather their input on how we can make partners more diverse and accessible.
- BPDD could put together some sort of pre-cursor assessment to see if families are prepared to go through partners.
- BPDD will put together a map of where all the past partners are from so we can assess where to do outreach.

4. Meeting adjourned at 4:40 PM

	SFY20 Beginning Budget Balance Remaining	SFY20 YTD Exp/Enc	SFY20 Remaining Budget Balance as of 8/31/2019
	BPDD FFY tables for adjusted budget less prior year expenditures	BPDD FFY tables for YTD expenses plus encumbrances	Adjusted Budget less expenses and encumbrances
	This should also equal the "Remaining" line in previous SFY table plus encumbrances.		
14100-MGMT Mngmt & Council	82,659	19,054	63,605
14100-PROG Gen Prog & Staff	64,827	132,220	(67,393)
14200-AIDS State Plan - AIDS	144,118		25,820
FFY18 Grant Subtotal	291,604	269,572	22,031
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FFY19 Grant Subtotal	1,341,540	374,587	(79,197) 966,953
FF 119 Grant Subtotal	1,341,540	374,307	
10100 - GPR (for DOA expenses)	44,200	<u> </u>	44,200
10100 - Partners with Business	75,000	January May	75,000
14100 - Living Well 19 Programming	120,156	54,375	65,781
14200 - Living Well 19 Aids	167,644	198,277	(30,633)
14300 - BPPC (PROMISE Comm			
Conv/Parent Training)	82,148	112,568	(30,421)
14300 - BPPE (PROMISE Exec			
Comm)	20,414	18,570	1,845
14300 - PROMISE Family Advocate			
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from conference and publication fe	es.		
FFY grant figures are links to the ap	ppropriate BPDD grant <u>year</u> work	sheets.	
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October 14 - 16, 2019

Kalahari Resort, Wisconsin Dells, WI Registration opens July, 2019

For more information visit: www.WI-BPDD.org







HOW TO REGISTER: www.WI-BPDD.org

Registration fees include: meals, materials, and refreshments





REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Pre-conference Labs: \$10SD Conference 101: Free

Consumer: \$90 (Early Bird: \$75)

▶ Direct Care Provider attending with a Consumer: \$100 (Early Bird \$85)

► Family Member: \$100 (Early Bird \$85)

Professional/Other: \$250 (Early Bird \$200)

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION MUST BE postmarked by August 15, 2019 Registration deadline is September 27, 2019

Scholarships: A limited number of scholarships are available for individuals with disabilities who qualify. Scholarship applications will be accepted until August 30, 2019, or until funds have run out.

• Adult Consumer Scholarship: \$25

Student Plus One Scholarship: \$50

Everyone attending must register, including support staff and additional family members. On-site registration is not available.

Hotel Lodging: Reserve online at https://book.passkey.com/e/49887464 or call (877) 253-5466. The Kalahari Resort is holding a block of guest rooms for October 14 and 15, 2019. Room rates are \$82/single and \$129/double/triple/ quad.

* If you need an accessible room, indicate this online or by phone.

Visit www.KalahariResort.com for driving instructions and hotel information.

Reserve your room by September 13, 2019. Ask for the 2019 Self-Determination Conference room block.

Cancellation Policy: Conference expenses are projected based on your attendance. Therefore, we will not be able to give refunds. However, substitutions may be made at any time. Please inform us in advance of such substitutions or of a cancellation.

Questions? Email: selfdetermined@incontrolwisconsin.org or call (920) 723-5571













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Your past never defines your future.

In the words of Mahatma Gandhi, "The future depends on what we do in the present."

Every day we learn about new technology that helps us live better, be stronger, or simply have more fun. Technology can break barriers, level the playing field, and open doors - literally and figuratively! It is the future.

There are some who say, "I've done just fine without technology in my life," and that may be true. We'll have things for people like this at the conference too. There are many things from our past that should not or cannot be replaced. They are tried and true. There is no substitute for actual human contact, that personal connection you make when you're face to face with someone. Talking! Remember that? We need more of that in our lives. Technology shouldn't take the place of things that are working, but technology can help someone overcome barriers they are currently experiencing. It is a great equalizer.

For those of you who have already embraced technology, this conference will be like a trip to the candy store! Technology can be used to help someone self-direct. It can help us find solutions in a different way. You will learn ways technology can improve your life. Regardless of how much you currently use technology, you will get lots of chances to try things out and see what might work for you.

From the very beginning of the Self-Determination Conference, self-advocates have had the opportunity to share their successes and struggles so others can understand and learn from their experiences. Self-determination is inspired by our past, and in touch with tomorrow. At the Self-Determination Conference, our experiences will move us forward!

Thousands have been inspired to live more self-determined lives, to do their own thing rather than picking from a menu of services. We've become more resourceful and expanded the possibilities for a life just like everyone else's. We come together to share common values of self-determination and self-direction.

We hope this 12th Self-Determination Conference will inspire you to try new things, expand your universe and empower YOU to share your ideas with all of us.

So, for this conference, lets keep an open mind and take a **BYTE** out of technology! You may just find something that will improve your life.

Self-Determination: To infinity and beyond!

Keynote Speakers

Tuesday, October 15: Through the Same Door: Living MY Life

Micah Fialka-Feldman is a self-advocate, teaching assistant, outreach coordinator, national speaker, and pioneer who fights for disability pride, justice, and inclusion. He is part of the first wave of adults with intellectual disabilities who have attended college and has been fully included in school and community.

Micah is also featured in a documentary by Dan Habib called, *Intelligent Lives*. He will share his story of what it took to be fully included in school, college, work and his community. A Circle of Friends, technology, taking risks, asking for help and doing what he enjoys have been important parts of his quest to be happy and healthy.



Micah Fialka-Feldman earned a certificate in Disability Studies from the Syracuse University School of Education in 2015. Micah currently lives in Syracuse N.Y. where he co-teaches classes in inclusive education and disability studies. He is an outreach coordinator at the Lawrence B. Taishoff Center for Inclusive Higher Education. In May of 2014, Micah was appointed by President Obama to President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities.

Wednesday, October 16: Self-Determination YouTube Channel

Do you see life as a journey? Are you looking for a path that personally empowers you? We are a group of self-advocates with developmental or intellectual disabilities who believe self-determination is essential to living our best life-the life we all deserve. We're Launching our YouTube Channel at the conference! The channel is dedicated to sharing our voices about using choice and control in our lives. We will celebrate successes and show you that perseverance is possible. Through this channel you can connect with other self-advocates and people who support us. Meet the channel hosts:



Cindy Bentley
Milwaukee



Ashley Mathy Rhinelander



Philip TemmeMadison



Stacy Ellingen
Oshkosh



Susan Borri Milwaukee

Monday, October 14

REGISTRATION OPEN 12 - 7 PM

Pre-conference Labs: 1:00 - 4:00 PM

* Registration Required

StorySlam: Everyone has true, personal stories inside them, just waiting to be told! Ex Fabula invites you to discover, craft and share stories about your life. In this workshop, Ex Fabula storytelling coaches will lead you through a series of interactive, small group activities - to learn effective storytelling skills. We'll focus on the theme of technology – which can include stories about tools, cell phones, assistive devices, relationships built online, or even the time you solved a problem MacGyver style! At the end of the session, you'll learn about opportunities to share a story at the Club SD StorySlam. * Lab conducted by Megan McGee from ExFabula

Self-Determination YouTube Channel: Join the first YouTube Channel run by people with disabilities. Learn what it takes to get a YouTube channel set up, how to film and produce interesting videos. Help create some videos, be a reporter and maybe even star in your own video. * Lab conducted by Susan Borri and the Self-Determination YouTube Channel Hosts

Innovation Station: Have you ever wanted to be on Shark Tank, or have you ever said, "Why didn't I think of that?" Put on your inventor's hat and come with your ideas for creating a business, inventing a product, or developing an App. We'll help you develop your idea to display during the Tuesday Technology Huddles – the top ideas could be awarded grants to help bring them to life! * Lab conducted by Shannon Webb, Dustin Wright and Jenny Neugart

Self-Determination Conference 101: Are you attending the conference for the first time? Do you want help figuring out what sessions you would like to attend? Register for this pre-conference session to get the scoop on all the really good sessions, keynotes presentations, and activities. With a conference packed full of this many things, you don't want to miss anything!

MONDAY NIGHT KICK-OFF: DINNER AND A MOVIE: 5:00 PM - 9:00 pm

From award-winning filmmaker Dan Habib comes INTELLIGENT LIVES. The movie stars three pioneering young American adults with intellectual disabilities – Micah, Naieer, and Naomie – who challenge perceptions of intelligence as they navigate high school, college, and employment. Academy Award-winning actor and narrator Chris Cooper contextualizes the lives of these central characters through the emotional personal story of his son Jesse, as the film unpacks the shameful and ongoing track record of intelligence testing in the U.S.

Special guest: Micah Fialka-Feldman

Scavenger Hunt: Gather a team, or join one of ours, for an interactive hunt around the Kalahari. There will be prizes, laughter and team building experiences you won't want to miss. 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Agenda at a Glance

Day 1: Tuesday, October 15

7:30 am - 9:00 am Registration, Networking & Breakfast

9:00 am - 10:00 am General Session 1, Keynote: Micah Fialka - Feldman

10:00 am -10:30 am Networking Break & Exhibitors

10:30 am - 12:00 pm Really Good Learning Sessions

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm Lunch, Diehard Awards & Networking

1:30 pm - 3:00 pm Really Good Learning Sessions

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Innovation Labs & Tech Huddles

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Break & Hotel Check-in

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Dinner & People First Wisconsin Auction

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Club Self-Determination StorySlam

Day 2: Wednesday, October 16

7:30 am - 9:00 am Breakfast

9:00 am - 10:00 am General Session 2, Keynote:

Self-Determination YouTube Channel

10:00 am -10:30 am Networking Break & Exhibitors

10:30 am - 12:00 pm Really Good Learning Sessions

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Lunch & Networking

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Let's Talk About It! Hot Topics!

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Closing & Really Good Door Prizes!

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GENERAL SESSION TOPICS

- Circles of Support
- Health Monitoring Technology
- Technology to Support Independence
- Visual Plans
- Fitness
- Transportation Projects

- Relationship Building
- Voting
- Remote Technology
- Apps, Social Media, Online Tools
- Technology and Job Coaching
- And More.....



Featured Events

TUESDAY

DIEHARD AWARDS (12:30 PM)

Diehard Awards are presented to individuals who have made a significant contribution to the advocacy work here in Wisconsin. A diehard is someone with a steadfast commitment to the principles of self-determination and goes above and beyond what's expected and helps others along the way. Do you know a diehard you would like to nominate? Use our QR Code to find the nomination form!

TECH HUDDLE: EXPLORE, TRY AND INNOVATE! (3:30-5:00 PM)

This is a hands-on opportunity to see the latest technologies, ask questions of the experts and try out some cool stuff! From Smart homes to inventions (created by you), there is something for everyone!

CLUB SD STORYSLAM (7:00 PM)

The Club Self-Determination StorySlam is an evening of true and personal stories from StoryLab participants. This noncompetitive Slam will feature true stories about technology and more. Audience members can also participate in the storytelling by submitting UltraShorts, which are brief, true personal stories written on slips of paper and then read onstage by the emcee. Come Join the Club!

WEDNESDAY

HOT TOPICS: LET'S TALK ABOUT IT!

Join one of the many hot topic conversations. A facilitator will help us identify issues, brainstorm solutions and take action steps. Content experts will be on hand to listen and answer questions.



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