AZ ABLE Oversight Committee Meeting Minutes

May 15, 2018 11:00am-12:00pm Location: 1789 W. Jefferson St. Phoenix, AZ 85007 3rd Floor, SE DBF Conference Room

Meeting called to order at 11:06am

In Attendance:

Brittaney Chipley – Executive Director
Grahame Richards - Committee Member
Joyce Millard-Hoie - Committee Member (via web ex)
Jason Snead – Committee Member (via web ex)
Karla Phillips - Committee Member (via web ex)
Mark Swenson – Committee Member (via web ex)
Debra Peterson, Arizona Department of Economic Security, Assistant Director Wendy Wilda - Arizona Department of Economic Security, Executive Assistant

1. Welcome and Introductions

a. Grahame Richards to act as Chair for meeting.

2. Minutes Approval – 2/13/18

a. Joyce Millard-Hoie motioned to approve the last meeting minutes and was seconded by Jason Snead. There were not any objections and the minutes are approved unanimously.

3. Reports Review

a. Outreach Report:

Brittaney Chipley reviewed the information in the Outreach report, including Enrollment, Webinars, Presentations and Communications.

b. Accounts Report:

Brittaney reviewed the data on the account information sent to us from the STABLE Accounts for March. There were some questions on the data values. Brittaney will get with the Ohio team to ask them to clarify and elaborate the information. Brittaney reported that Ohio expressed that we are off to a good start and they are impressed with our numbers.

Grahame asked if they can join us at our next meeting to explain the report information. Brittaney will ask them to attend the next meeting.

c. Transaction Report:

Brittaney reviewed the data in the Transaction Report. There are also some questions there that she is waiting for an answer on.

4. Updates

a. NAST (National Association of State Treasurers) handout:

Brittaney is a member of the NAST committee and she reviewed the initiatives that they are currently working on. Karla Phillips asked how the Medicaid payback is a barrier. Brittaney reported that there are some disagreements in the committee on the initiatives. Debi Peterson explained how the money left in the account is used to payback the Medicaid Program for expenses. Brittaney will clarify the details and ensure that the DES staff are aware of the parameters of Medicaid payback.

b. Rules:

The Rules are completed, and they are currently waiting on the Economic Impact Statement approval from the Attorney General's Office.

c. Website:

The ABLE link and program information is now on the external and internal DES website.

d. Quarterly Meetings:

The ABLE Oversight Committee is required to meet quarterly. We have been meeting more often to get the Launch going. Now that it is up and running, do we want to go to Quarterly Meetings?

Debi motioned to change to quarterly meetings, Joyce seconded the motion. There were not any objections and the quarterly meetings were approved unanimously.

e. Requests to present:

Brittaney has learned that other agencies have been presenting the Arizona ABLE account information. There is concern, if they are providing accurate information and charging for the presentations. Brittaney will be going to sit in on some of them to find out if they are using the current, accurate information. Debi added that there needs to be some way to control who speaks and provides presentations. Grahame suggested getting with Ohio and see if they have a legal letter for use. Brittaney will follow up with Ohio to see how they control the information.

- 5. Open Forum/ Call to the public:
 - a. No public comments.
- 6. Meeting Adjourned at 11:41 am.