

Attachment 6

Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities

Executive Committee

Review of Proposed Activities & Budget

Date: 07/25/12

ITEM: C

Grantee: Brighton School, Inc. (dba Brighton Center)

Year: 1 of 2

Project Title: Parent Alliance for Learning and Support (PALS)

Project Location: Bexar and Comal Counties

TCDD RFP Intent:

To continue development of a network of training programs and resources to assist Texans with developmental disabilities and their families to have support and training needed to be strong leaders and advocates. Organizations are expected to use funding to expand the impact of their training programs and to serve as a resource to other organizations. Grantees may implement a new policy, program, or procedure; development of new partnerships; and/or activities that significantly build the capacity of an existing program. TCDD has approved funding of up to \$40,000 for year one and \$20,000 for year two.

Project Goals and Accomplishments for Year(s)1:

Goal: To improve the quality of life for children with developmental delays and disabilities from birth to age 22 by empowering parents, young adults with disabilities and community members with the knowledge and tools to support and advocate in the community in which they live.

Accomplishments per goal: During this budget period, the project trained 245 parents of children with disabilities in general and IDEA advocacy; served 55 young adults and 32 professionals/community members with trainings; increased the number of locations from 2 to 6; established new partnerships with Edgewood ISD, Randolph AFB, The Children’s Shelter and the Down Syndrome Association; added more Self Determination – from 1 to 5; and, provided more ARD Clinic – 13 clinics serving 48 participants.

Proposed Goals and Objectives for Year 2:

Goal: Same as above

Objectives: Provide advocacy education to 300 parents of children with disabilities and developmental delays; provide support services in hands-on small group and 1-to-1 help for families and professionals in the area of IDEA advocacy; provide advocacy education to 60 community members/professionals; and, provide self-advocacy education to 60 young adults with disabilities and developmental delays.

Staff Considerations: Public Policy considerations: Expanding the lessons learned from participants could lead to important policy recommendations associated with identifying and addressing barriers and unmet needs. It would be beneficial for the grantee to identify and report public policy implications and identify participants that have or could take their self-advocacy to the next level by sharing their stories with legislators. No staff concerns; Council to consider continued funding for this project.

Continuation Budget Detail Summary			
	Federal	Match	Totals
Amount expended in year 1 (\$2,757 Consultant) (based on 7 months) - \$40,000 awarded)	\$26,586	\$70,777	\$97,363
Amount requested for next year budget:			
I. Personnel Services	18,810	108,544	127,354
II. Travel	0	6373	6373
III. Purchased Services	0	33,856	33,856
IV. Property/Materials	0	7443	7443
V. Rental/Leasing	1190	2511	3701
VI. Utilities	0	5455	5455
VII. Other			
Budget period totals	\$ 20,000	\$164,182	\$184,182