

Background:

- **Stipends Grants Applications Approved** - TCDD Policies provide for the Executive Director to make final decisions about applications for Stipend Grants. Stipend applications were approved during the quarter from the following five organizations:
 1. Partners Resource Network: for up to \$5,998 for the *Statewide Parent Leadership Conference* on December 2-3, 2011, in Austin.
 2. Arc of Texas: for up to \$6,000 for the *Inclusion Works Conference* on February 1-4, 2012, in Austin.
 3. Attention Deficit Disorders Association – Southern Region: for up to \$6,000 for the *24th Annual ADDA-SR Conference* on February 17-18, 2012, in Houston.
 4. Texas A&M University: for up to \$6,000 for the *Texas Transition Conference* on February 7-9, 2012, in Austin.
 5. Southwest Chapter of Autism Society for America: for up to \$1,200 for the *Techniques for Systematic Teaching and Reducing Behavior Challenges in Students with ASD* on March 30, 2012 in El Paso.

- **State and Federal Affairs Update** –TCDD staff will provide updates about various state and federal matters during the meetings.

- **TCDD Planning Calendar** – We have again included a calendar of key activities that will be discussed in Council and Committee meetings during the next year. A few staff activities are also included.

- **Attendance Report** – A quarterly summary of attendance of Council members at meetings is also enclosed.

Important Terms:

Stipends Grants: Organizations may apply for up to \$6000 to pay for conference registration, hotel rooms, attendants, respite, travel expenses, etc. for self-advocates and their family members to attend conferences and other events.

Executive Committee

Agenda Item 5.

Expected Action:

The Executive Committee will review the information provided and may provide guidance to staff.

CONSUMER STIPENDS PROPOSALS

Date: 11/09/11

Executive Director Review

ITEM: 1

Organization: Partners Resource Network
City, State: Beaumont, TX

Federal: \$ 5,998
Match: \$ 3,000

Event: Conference: Statewide Parent Leadership Conference
Date: December 2 – 3, 2011
Hotel: Austin Airport Hilton
City, State: Austin, TX

Previously Funded: Yes: 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003

Comments: The conference will examine challenges facing families of persons with disabilities that extend beyond the school day and school years. Participants' opinions/concerns will be passed on to agencies and others who can make a difference. The Conference will end with a viewing of PRN' s DVD about IDEA's Procedural Safeguards.

Considerations: The conference sponsors propose to provide stipends for "20 parents of children with developmental disabilities for these expenses:"

Lodging – 20 individuals
(20 @ \$99.00 + 8.91 (9% tax)/individual for 2 nights) = \$2158.00

Registration – 20 individuals
(20 @ \$140.00/individual) = \$2800.00

Respite Services – 20 individuals
(20 @ \$52.00/individual) = \$1040.00

Total cost (federal): = \$5998.00

Applicant match covers meals, transportation, etc:
Per diem (meals, transportation, etc.)
(20 @ \$150.00/individual) = \$3000.00

Total cost (match): = \$3000.00

Recommendation: Staff recommends funding. Proposal received 90 days prior to the event.

Approved: (yes no) _____ Date: _____

Comments: _____

CONSUMER STIPENDS PROPOSALS

Date: 11/14/11

Executive Director Review

ITEM: 3

Organization: Attention Deficit Disorders Association-Southern
Region
City, State: Houston, TX

Federal: \$ 6,000
Match: \$ 1,000

Event: Conference: 24th Annual ADDA-SR Conference
Date: February 17-18, 2012
Hotel: Sheraton North Houston
City, State: Houston, Texas

Previously Funded: **Yes:** 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002, 2001, 2000, 1999, 1996, 1995

Comments: This conference is designed for those with ADHD, family members and those who impact the lives of these children and adults. Those coping with this disability will learn consumer empowerment and community integration skills to improve their quality of life.

Considerations: The conference sponsors propose to provide stipends to cover:

Registration –15 individuals	
(15 @ \$100.00/individual/day for 2 days)	= \$ 3000.00
Lodging –15 individuals	
(15 @ \$100.00/night for 2 nights double occupancy)	= \$ 3000.00
Total cost (federal):	= \$ 6000.00

Applicant match covers registration fees:	
Registration – 4 individuals	
(4 @ \$100.00/individual/day for 2 days)	= \$ 800.00
Lodging – 1 individual	
(1 @ \$100.00/night for 2 nights)	= \$ 200.00
Total cost (match):	= \$1000.00

Recommendation: Staff recommends funding. Proposal received 90 days prior to the event.

Approved: **yes** **no** _____ **Date:** _____

Comments: _____

CONSUMER STIPENDS PROPOSALS

Date: 11/14/11

Executive Director Review

ITEM: 4

Organization: Texas A&M University
City, State: College Station, TX

Federal: \$ 6,000
Match: \$ 3,800

Event: Conference: Texas Transition Conference
Date: February 7-9, 2011
Hotel: Doubletree Hotel
City, State: Austin, Texas

Previously Funded: Yes: 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2003

Comments: The Texas Transition Conference is a 3 day conference dedicated to providing up to date information about best practices related to transition from school to work, legal requirements, and best practices in secondary and post-secondary education for persons with disabilities.

Considerations: The conference sponsors propose to provide stipends to cover registration and lodging costs:

Registration – for up to 40 individuals	
(40 @ \$100.00/individual)	= \$4000.00
Total registration cost = \$195/individual, the remainder will be met by matching funds	
Lodging - 20 individuals	
(20 @ \$50/individual/night for 2 nights)	= \$2000.00
Total cost (federal):	= \$6000.00

Applicant match covers Registration:	
Registration – 40 individuals	
(40 @ \$95.00/individual balance of \$195 total)	= \$3800.00
Total cost (match):	= \$3800.00

Recommendation: Staff recommends funding. Proposal received 90 days prior to event.

Approved: yes no _____ Date: _____

Comments: _____

CONSUMER STIPENDS PROPOSALS

Date: 12/28/11

Executive Director Review

ITEM: 5

Organization: Southwest Chapter Autism Society of America
City, State: El Paso, TX

Federal: \$ 1,200
Match: \$ 140

Event: Conference: Techniques for Systematic Teaching and Reducing Behavior Challenges in Students with ASD
Date: March 30, 2012
Location: El Paso Water Utilities/TechH2O Center
City, State: El Paso, Texas

Previously Funded: 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010

Comments: Dr. Jim Ball designed this presentation for parents and professionals to introduce systematic techniques for treating autism and related disorders. He will use lectures, videos, demonstrations, and hands-on activities.

Considerations: The conference sponsors propose to provide stipends to cover registration:

Registration – 20 individuals
(20 @ \$60.00/individual/one day) = \$1,200.00
Total cost (federal): = \$1,200.00

Applicant match covers registration expenses balance:
Registration – 20 individuals
(20 @ \$7.00/individual) = \$ 140.00
Total cost (match): = \$ 140.00

Recommendation: Staff recommends funding. Proposal received 90 days prior to the event.

Approved: yes no _____ Date: _____

Comments: _____

TCDD Planning Calendar

February 2012

February 2012

- **Quarterly Meetings**
 - **Council**
 - ✓ **Vice-Chair elected**
 - ✓ **Consumer Member-at-large to Executive Committee elected**
 - **Executive Committee**
 - ✓ **Executive Session re: Personnel Matters**
 - ✓ **Approval to Publish TCDD Rules for Re-Adoption**
 - Time allowed for Members to visit Senator and/or Representative (odd years)
- Terms of 1/3 of public members expire February 1 of odd years
- 2014: TCDD Sunset review update
- 2015: Sunset Commission report for TCDD submitted to 84th Texas Legislature

March 2012

April 2012

- **Executive Committee**
 - **Consideration of Continuation Grant Awards**

May 2012

- **Quarterly Meetings**
 - **Council**
 - ✓ **Approve Draft State Plan / Amendments for Public Comments** – Proj Dev. Committee
 - ✓ 2013 Only: Review TCDD Sunset Review Process; Timeline for Self-Evaluation
 - ✓ 2014 & 2015: TCDD Sunset Review Update
 - **Executive Committee**
 - ✓ **Consideration of Continuation Grant Awards**
 - ✓ **Final approval of TCDD Rules for Re-adoption**
 - **Public Policy Committee**
 - ✓ Initial Consideration of Biennial Report Special Focus, if any (odd-numbered years)
- May 28, 2013: 83rd Texas Legislature Adjourns Sine Die after 160 days in session

June 2012

- **Beginning of Grant Projects Annual Budget Cycle (most projects)**

July 2012

August 2012

- **Quarterly Meetings**
 - **Council**
 - ✓ **Approve Operating Expense Budget for Following Year** – Executive Committee
 - ✓ **Preliminary Review of Biennial Disability Report Recommendations** (even-numbered years)
 - Committee of the Whole
 - ✓ **Approve State Plan / Amendments** – Committee of the Whole

- ✓ **Approve extension and/or revisions to Memorandum of Understanding with TEA** – Executive Committee
- ✓ **Approve Biennial Disability Report Special Focus**, (odd-numbered years) – Committee of the Whole
- ✓ **Consideration of Possible TCDD Projects or Activities (every year)**; Summary of Texas Legislative Session (odd-number years)– Public Policy Committee
- **Executive Committee**
 - ✓ **Review/Approve & Continuation Grant Awards**
 - ✓ 2016: Initial Review of TCDD Rules for Re-adoption
- **Audit Committee**
 - ✓ **Review Status of Internal Auditing Activities for Current Year** (Optional)
- **Project Development Committee**
 - ✓ **Consideration of Unsolicited Ideas**
- **State Plan / Amendments** – submitted electronically to ADD by August 15th
- 2013: TCDD Sunset Self-Evaluation Submitted (Estimated)
- 2014: TCDD Sunset Review update.

September 2012

- **State Fiscal Year begins September 1**

October 2012

- **Council and Federal Fiscal Year begins October 1**
- **Audit Committee Reviews and Approves Annual Internal Audit Report & Internal Audit Plan**

November 2012

- **Annual Internal Audit Report and Audit Plan submitted to State Auditor & others by November 1st**
- **Quarterly Meetings**
 - **Council**
 - ✓ **Nominating Committee established**
 - ✓ **Approval of prior year Internal Audit Reports and current year Internal Audit Plan**
 - ✓ Biennial Report Recommendations Finalized (even-numbered years) – C.O.W.
 - ✓ Approval of TCDD Public Policy Priorities (even-numbered years) – Public Policy Comm
- Executive Committee – Approve Pool of Review Panel Members (even-numbered years)
- 2016: Approval to Publish TCDD Rules for Re-adoption
- Fall 2013: Sunset staff prepare TCDD report; Sunset Commission holds public hearing, determine recommendations
- 2014: TCDD Sunset review update.

December 2012

- 2012: Biennial Report submitted to Governor, Lt. Governor, Speaker, and HHSC Executive Commissioner – December 1st of **even** numbered years

January 2013

- **Annual Report (PPR) submitted electronically submitted to ADD by January 1st**
- January 10, 2013: 83rd Texas Legislature convenes (2nd Tuesday of January)
- 2015 Only: Monitor Sunset Legislation to Reauthorize TCDD during 84th Legislature

**TCDD QUARTERLY COUNCIL MEETINGS
ATTENDANCE REPORT
February 2010 – November 2011**

Council Member	11/11	8/11	5/11	2/11 meeting cancelled	11/10	8/10	5/10	2/10
B. Coleman-Beattie	P	P	P	NA	P	P	P	EA-Th P-FR
H. Adkins	P	P	P	NA	P	P	P	P
K. Blackmon	P	EA	P	NA	P	EA	P	P
K. Clark	P	P	EA	NA	EA – Th P - Fr	P	P	P
G. Cortez	P	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
K. Cox	EA	P	P	NA	EA – Th P - Fr	P	P	P
A. Crim	P – Th EA – Fr	EA	P	NA	P	P	P	P
M. Delgado	P	P	P	NA	P	P	P	P
C. Johnston	P	P	EA	NA	P	P	P	P
D. Kern	EA	P	EA	NA	P	P	EA	P
J. Morris	P	P EA -Fr	P	NA	P	P	EA	P
D. Perry	EA	P	EA	NA	P	EA	P	P
J. Rivas	P	P	P	NA	P	P	P	P
L. Taylor	P	EA	P	NA	EA	P	P	P
R. Tisch	EA	P	P	NA	P	P	P	P
S. Vardell	P	P	P	NA	EA	P-Wed EA-Th & Fr	P	P
DRT (AI)	P	P	P	NA	P	P	P	EA-Th P-Fr
UT CDS	P	EA	EA	NA	EA	P	A	EA
A&M CDD	EA	P	EA	NA	EA	P	P-Th EA-Fr	P
DADS	P	P	P	NA	P	P	P	P
DARS	P	P	P-Th EA-Fr	NA	EA	P	P	P
DSHS	P	P	P	NA	P	P	P	P-Th EA-Fr
HHSC	P	P	P	NA	EA	P-Th EA-Fr	P	P
TEA	P	P	P	NA	EA	P	P	P

Key: P = Present
A = Absent
EA = Excused Absence
NA= Not Applicable