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Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities

Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities (GCPD) Executive Committee Teleconference Meeting Minutes

**Thursday, August 12, 2021
1:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M.**

Approved August 26, 2021

Executive Committee Action and Motion Items

A. Executive Committee Action Items

1. **Action Item:** DHS Support Staff will inquire about how to create a link to the Gov-D message directly from the GCPD Website.
2. **Action Item:** DHS Support Staff will extend an invite to DHS Communications Staff for an upcoming Executive Committee meeting, to discuss technical assistance that can be provided for the educational video.

B. Executive Committee Motion Items

1. **Motion Item:** Rhonda Staats made a motion approve the August 12, 2021 Executive Committee meeting agenda. Tom O'Connor seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Motion Item:** Ben Barrett made a motion to approve the August 5, 2021 Executive Committee meeting minutes. Rhonda Staats seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Motion Item:** Tom O'Connor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rhonda Staats seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome and Introductions, David Morstad, Chairperson

Executive committee members present: David Morstad; Rhonda Staats; Ben Barrett; Tom O'Connor; and Margaret Kristan.

Executive committee members absent (excused*): Not applicable



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Guest: Laurence Brown, Community Member; Ramsey Lee, Member-at-large, GCPD; Evelyn Azbell, Member-at-large, GCPD; and Jeff Fox, Member-at-large, Council on Physical Disabilities (CPD).

DHS support staff present: Lisa Sobczyk, Department of Health Services (DHS), Bureau of Aging and Disability Resource (BADR); Monica Smith, DHS, BADR; and Ashley Walker, DHS, BADR.

II. David Morstad, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 1:01 P.M.

The meeting was made available via phone at 1-844-708-2569 with Meeting ID: 850 0666 3159 and via [Zoom](#).

III. Review and Approve August 12, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

- Rhonda Staats made a motion approve the August 12, 2021 Executive Committee meeting agenda. Tom O'Connor seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

IV. Review and Approve August 5, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

- Ben Barrett made a motion to approve the August 5, 2021 Executive Committee meeting minutes. Rhonda Staats seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.

V. Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities

- No public comment was received.

VII. COVID- 19 and GCPD Policy Recommendations

- ***Update on GOV-D Message***
 - The Executive Committee reviewed the Gov-D message that had been sent out to the DHS listserv on August 11, 2021.
 - The Executive Committee discussed having a link to the Gov-D message directly on the GCPD Website.



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- ***Update on Educational Training Video; COVID-19 Consumer Survey***
 - The Executive Committee discussed having an outline for the educational training video.
 - David Morstad stated that he has been working with Rhonda Staats and Margaret Kristan on an outline for an educational training video of first hand interviews and data related to the COVID-19 Consumer Survey findings.
 - The outline of the training video would include:
 - A positive message by Governor, Secretary Timberlake, or a comparative DHS representative.
 - First person interviews focusing on how the COVID-19 pandemic personally effected people with disabilities, inequity and access barriers, and importance of reasonable accommodations.
 - Ramsey Lee, Laurence Brown, Rhonda Staats and Ben Barrett agreed to be potential interviewees.
 - Emphasis on a strong connection between the training video and the GCPD Website; updating the resources list.



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VIII. Discuss Status of GCPD 2021-2023 Work Plan

- The Executive Committee discussed the progress of the Equitable Access Section of the GCPD 2021-2023 Work Plan. Committee agreed that the last Work Plan Committee Meeting was very beneficial and produced a great draft.
 - The Executive Committee discussed the use of the Equitable Access language and using *Fairness or Fair Opportunity* instead due to feedback from legislation.

IX. Draft August 19, 2021 GCPD Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

- The Executive Committee agreed to proceed with having an Executive Committee meeting on August 19, 2021; even though the GCPD Bi-Monthly Meeting was on August 18, 2021.
- The Executive Committee discussed the following items for the August 12, 2021 Executive Committee meeting agenda:
 - COVID-19 and GCPD Policy Recommendations
 - Discussion on Educational Training Video; COVID-19 Consumer Survey
 - Discuss Feedback from August 18, 2021 GCPD Bi-Monthly Meeting
 - Draft August 26, 2021 GCPD Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

X. Adjourn

- Tom O'Connor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rhonda Staats seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 3.

Meeting adjourned at 1:46 P.M.