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Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities

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

**Thursday, October 7, 2021
1:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M.**

Approved October 21, 2021

Executive Committee Action and Motion Items

A. Executive Committee Action Items

1. **Action Item:** DHS Support Staff will follow-up with DHS Communications Staff regarding feedback and next steps moving forward with the Educational Training Video.
2. **Action Item:** DHS Support Staff will connect with Governor's Office Appointments Staff and see if the dropdown menu can include GCPD as an option when applying to serve on Governor appointed Councils/Committees.

B. Executive Committee Motion Items

1. **Motion Item:** Margaret Kristan made a motion approve the October 7, 2021 Executive Committee meeting agenda. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Motion Item:** Ben Barrett made a motion to approve the September 30, 2021 Executive Committee meeting minutes. Rhonda Staats seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Motion Item:** Margaret Kristan made a motion to approve the October 20, 2021 GCPD Bi-Monthly Meeting agenda. Rhonda Staats seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. **Motion Item:** Rhonda Staats made a motion to cancel the October 14, 2021 GCPD Executive Committee Meeting. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried.
5. **Motion Item:** Margaret Kristan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rhonda Staats seconded the motion. Motion carried.



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C. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome and Introductions, David Morstad, Chairperson

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

Executive committee members absent (excused*): Tom O'Connor

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

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

II. David Morstad, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 1:02 P.M.

The meeting was made available via phone at 1-844-708-2569 with Meeting ID: 837 9599 2010 and via [Zoom](#).

III. Review and Approve October 7, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

- Margaret Kristan made a motion approve the October 7, 2021 Executive Committee meeting agenda. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

IV. Review and Approve September 30, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

- Ben Barrett made a motion to approve the September 30, 2021 Executive Committee meeting minutes. Rhonda Staats seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.



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V. Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities

- Ramsey Lee stated that People First Wisconsin has been doing many great things and the Self-Directed Conference is coming up in October. The Waisman Center is conducting a study on caregiving during the pandemic.
- Laurence Brown stated that there are not enough caregivers in Wisconsin due to low wages and no benefits. People First has been making recommendations regarding these issues.

VII. COVID- 19 and GCPD Policy Recommendations

- ***Update on Educational Training Video; COVID-19 Consumer Survey***
 - David Morstad updated the Executive Committee on the Educational Training Video of first hand interviews and data related to the COVID-19 Consumer Survey findings.
 - Amber Mullett, DHS, has elevated the Medical Provider Script to DHS Medical Staff, Jonathan Meiman and Ryan Westergaard; and still awaiting feedback.
 - David Morstad emailed the two versions of the script; one for people with disabilities and their advocates and one for medical providers, to DHS Communications Staff and Fred Ludwig; and still awaiting feedback.
 - DHS Support Staff will follow-up with DHS Communications Staff regarding feedback and next steps moving forward with the Educational Training Video. See Action Item 1.

VIII. Discuss GCPD Website

- The Executive Committee discussed the link to 'Apply to Serve' on the GCPD Website was fixed by DHS Support Staff; however, GCPD was still not located in the dropdown menu when filling out the online application to apply to serve on the Committee.



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- DHS Support Staff will connect with Governor's Office Appointments Staff and see if the dropdown menu can include GCPD as an option when applying to serve on Governor appointed Councils/Committees. See Action Item 2.

IX. Review and Approve Draft October 20, 2021 GCPD Bi-Monthly Meeting Agenda

- The Executive Committee review and approve the following items for the October 20, 2021 Bi-Monthly Meeting Agenda.
 - Review and Approve October 20, 2021 Bi-Monthly Meeting Agenda
 - Review and Approval of the August 18, 2021 Bi-Monthly Meeting Minutes
 - Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities (1:15 P.M. – 1:25 P.M.)
 - GCPD Executive Committee Updates
 - Update on Educational Training Video; COVID-19 Consumer Survey
 - Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) Presentation
 - Nicholas Di Meo, Department of Health Services, Health Policy Advisor
 - Review and Approve Draft GCPD 2021-2023 Work Plan
 - Timeframes and Assign Committees
 - Discuss Upcoming Officer Elections
 - Liaison Updates
 - Council Updates
 - Discuss GCPD Membership Recruitment
 - Review GCPD Bi-Monthly Meeting Dates for 2022



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- Margaret Kristan made a motion to approve the October 20, 2021 GCPD Bi-Monthly Meeting agenda. Rhonda Staats seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 3.

X. Draft October 14, 2021 GCPD Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

- The Executive Committee agreed to cancel the upcoming Executive Committee meeting scheduled for October 14, 2021, due to scheduling conflicts with multiple Committee Members.
 - Rhonda Staats made a motion to cancel the October 14, 2021 GCPD Executive Committee Meeting. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried. See motion item 4.
- The Executive Committee moved forward with drafting the October 21, 2021 Executive Committee meeting agenda:
 - Review and Approve October 21, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting Agenda
 - Review and Approve October 7, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
 - Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities (1:10 P.M. – 1:15 P.M.)
 - COVID-19 and GCPD Policy Recommendations
 - Update on Educational Training Video; COVID-19 Consumer Survey
 - Discuss GCPD Website Apply to Serve Link
 - Discuss October 20, 2021 GCPD Bi-Monthly Meeting
 - Follow-up items
 - Draft October 28, 2021 GCPD Executive Committee Meeting Agenda



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XI. Adjourn

- Margaret Kristan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rhonda Staats seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 5.

Meeting adjourned at 1:47 P.M.