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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, April 6, 2023

1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Approved May 4, 2023.

Executive Committee Action and Motion Items

A. Executive Committee Action Items

1. **Action Item:** DHS support staff will work with David Morstad to find out where to send the CPD Emergency Preparedness Toolkits, Wistech brochures, and accompanying resources and documents for the upcoming Concordia presentation.
2. **Action Item:** Rhonda Staats will reach out the John Hartman to gage his interest in continuing with being an Executive Committee Member due to his lack of engagement and attendance.

B. Executive Committee Motion Items

1. **Motion Item:** Ramsey Lee made a motion to approve the April 6, 2023, Executive Committee meeting agenda. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Motion Item:** Ben Barrett made a motion to approve the March 2, 2023, Executive Committee meeting minutes. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Motion Item:** Ben Barrett made a motion to allow David Morstad to move forward with a second draft of the GCPD Logo Press Release that will be reviewed and approved at the upcoming GCPD Executive Committee meeting on May 4, 2023. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. **Motion Item:** Ben Barrett made the motion to move the May 17, 2023, GCPD Quarterly meeting to virtual only. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried.



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5. **Motion Item:** Ben Barrett made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome and Introductions

Executive committee members present: Rhonda Staats; Ben Barrett; and Ramsey Lee.

Executive committee members absent (excused*): John Hartman and *Margaret Kristan.

Guests: Tom O'Connor, GCPD Member-at-Large; and David Morstad, GCPD Member-at-Large.

DHS support staff present: Ashley Walker, Department of Health Services (DHS), Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources (BADR); Laura Plummer, DHS, BADR and Lisa Sobczyk, DHS, BADR.

II. Rhonda Staats, Vice Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:04 P.M.

The meeting was made available via phone at (669) 254-5252 with Meeting ID: 161 640 1752 and via [Zoom](#).

III. Review and Approve April 6, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

- Ramsey Lee made a motion to approve the April 6, 2023, Executive Committee meeting agenda. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

IV. Review and Approve March 2, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

- Ben Barrett made a motion to approve the March 2, 2023, Executive Committee meeting minutes. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.



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V. Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities

- Tom O'Connor shared an employment position was open for an Executive Director for the Office of the Blind and Visually Impaired in the Milwaukee Area.

VI. Review and Approve GCPD Logo Press Release

- The Executive Committee discussed the draft of the GCPD Logo Press Release. Adding more language highlighting all the important work that GCPD has been doing.
 - Ben Barrett made a motion to allow David Morstad to move forward with a second Draft of the GCPD Logo Press Release that will be reviewed and approved at the upcoming GCPD Executive Committee meeting on May 4, 2023. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 3.

VII. Discuss April 26, 2023, Concordia University Educational Presentation

- David Morstad reported that GCPD will be presenting to an estimated 100 students at Concordia on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, from 3:00 P.M.- 4:30 P.M. (90 minutes).
 - Cohorts from Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, and the Physician Assistant Program will be in attendance.
 - Discussed having CPD Emergency Preparedness Toolkits and Wistech information available on-hand for students and faculty. Also, logistics of CART services making the Zoom portion of the presentation accessible.
 - DHS support staff will work with David Morstad to find out where to send the CPD Emergency Preparedness Toolkits, Wistech brochures, and accompanying resources and documents for the upcoming Concordia Presentation. See Action Item 1.



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VIII. Discuss from Sub-Committee and Workgroups

- Currently, two of the Sub-Committees have moved forward as Work Groups: Transportation and Employment. Opportunities and Access remains a Sub-Committee.
 - **Employment Workgroup, Nancy Leipzig**, nothing to report.
 - **Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee, Katherine Schneider**, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee met this morning and decided to meet ongoing on months that there is not a Quarterly Meeting. Will move forward with a discussion with Stacy Stone and Kimberlee Coronado about access to mental health services.
 - **Transportation Workgroup, Rhonda Staats**, continues to meet in a virtual space once a month for whomever would like to attend and give updates. At the last meeting, Regan Batterman, DHS, reported that she was still working on editing the complaint letters for Veyo and making them more member friendly and plain language. Met with Disability rights Wisconsin (DRW) and reviewed the letter edits and gave great suggestions and will workshop the language and those complaint letters will be published by next meeting. Jonathan Liegeois, Veyo, updated the group with his new cell phone number Julie Blasky stated she was going to be getting a team together for to participate on the Accessibility Institute and Community of Practice thru Community Transportation Association of America (CTAA). Which is a national request.

IX. Discuss GCPD Membership and Attendance

- The Executive Committee stated that they would like to move forward with a virtual meeting on May 17, 2023.
 - Ben Barrett made the motion to move the May 17, 2023, GCPD Quarterly meeting to virtual only. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 4.



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- Rhonda Staats will reach out the John Hartman to gage his interest in continuing with being an Executive Committee Member due to his lack of engagement and attendance. See Action Item 2.

X. Draft May 4, 2023, GCPD Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

- The Executive Committee drafted the May 4, 2023, Executive Committee meeting agenda:
 - Welcome and Introductions
 - Review and Approve May 4, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting Agenda
 - Review and Approve April 6, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
 - Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities (1:10 P.M. – 1:15 P.M.)
 - Review and Approve GCPD Logo Press Release
 - Feedback on April 26, 2023, Concordia University Educational Presentation
 - Presentation on IRIS Program Policy Changes (or for Quarterly Meeting agenda)
 - Presentation on Health Equity (or for Quarterly Meeting agenda)
 - Draft May 17, 2023, GCPD Quarterly Meeting Agenda
 - Draft June 1, 2023, GCPD Executive Committee Meeting Agenda
 - Adjourn



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XI. Adjourn

- Ben Barrett made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 5.

Meeting adjourned at 2:31 P.M.