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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, September 7, 2023

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

Executive Committee Action and Motion Items

A. Executive Committee Action Items

1. **Action Item:** DHS support staff will collect nominations and send out ballots to fill the Executive Committee Member-at-large position.

B. Executive Committee Motion Items

1. **Motion Item:** Ben Barrett made a motion to approve the September 7, 2023, Executive Committee meeting agenda. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Motion Item:** Rhonda Staats made a motion to approve the August 3, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Motion Item:** Rhonda Staats made a motion to have DHS staff identify quarterly meeting dates in 2024. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. **Motion Item:** Rhonda Staats made a motion to approve the October Executive Committee Meeting Agenda. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried.
5. **Motion Item:** Rhonda Staats made the motion to adjourn the meeting and move into closed session. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried.



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C. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome and Introductions

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

Executive committee members absent (excused*): Tiffany Payne.

Guests: Becky Rabatin, Community Member, Independence First ADA Coordinator; Jeff Fox, member-at-large of CPD, and Dan Idzikowski, member-at-large of GCPD (not executive committee member.)

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

ASL Interpreters: Nicole Keeler and Steve Smart.

II. Margaret Kristan, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:01 P.M.

The meeting was made available via phone at (669) 254-5252 with Meeting ID: 161 640 1752 and via **Zoom:** <https://dhs.wi.zoomgov.com/j/1616401752>.

III. Review and Approve September 7, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

- Ben Barrett made a motion to approve the September 7, 2023, Executive Committee meeting agenda. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

IV. Review and Approve August 3, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

- The Executive Committee reviewed the minutes; Rhonda Staats made a motion to approve the August 3, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion item 2.



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V. Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities

- Becky Rabatin, ADA Coordinator from Independence First, shared her information with the council and stated that she would like to develop a partnership between GCPD and Independence First. DHS Support staff emailed her information to the council.

VI. Recap from full GCPD Meeting

- The Executive Committee discussed the results of the special election to replace John Hartman on the Executive Committee member-at-large. Tiffany Payne will replace John Hartman term for the at-large position beginning Immediately and ending December 31, 2024.
- Discussed putting out a press-release about GCPD 75 Anniversary.
- Discussed plan for Winter Elections call for nominations.
- Discussed updating 2 year work plan and who should work on it.
 - Possibly soliciting members to develop work plan in work group.
 - Develop work plan in Executive Committee meetings.
 - DHS Support Staff will email the full-council a copy of the current 2 year work plan to review and request input from. DHS support staff will track any comments from council members and share at the next Executive Committee Meeting.

VII. Discuss 2024 Quarterly Meetings

- The Executive Committee discussed 2024 quarterly meetings and suggested that meetings be offered both virtually and in-person.
- Rhonda Staats made a motion to have DHS staff identify quarterly meeting dates in 2024. Ramsey Lee seconded motion. Motion carried. See motion item 3.



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VIII. Update on Disability Summit

- DHS support staff shared that the United Voices Disability Summit will be a recorded in-person event. Those who cannot attend will have the option to request the recorded version of the event.

IX. Draft October 5, 2023, GCPD Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

- The Executive Committee drafted the October 5, 2023, Executive Committee meeting agenda:
 - Welcome and Introductions
 - Review and Approve October 5, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting Agenda
 - Review and Approve September 7, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
 - Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities (1:10 P.M. – 1:15 P.M.)
 - Recap from United Voices Engage for Change Disability Summit
 - Update Work Plan
 - DHS Support Staff share any input received from Council
 - Discuss Winter Election
 - Discuss Falkner and Blakeley Awards
 - Draft November 2, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting Agenda
 - Adjourn



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- Rhonda Staats made a motion to approve the October Executive Agenda. Ben Barret seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 4.

X. Adjourn

- Rhonda Staats made the motion to adjourn the meeting and move into closed session. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 5.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 P.M.