

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, February 4, 2021 1:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M.

APPROVED FEBRAURY 11, 2021. Executive Committee Action and Motion Items

A. Executive Committee Action Items

1. Action Item: David Morstad will revise and send letter about Wisconsin Legislature and access to public hearings by GCPD's Executive Committee meeting on February 11, 2021.

B. Executive Committee Motion Items

- **1. Motion Item:** Nancy Leipzig made a motion approve the February 4, 2021 Executive Committee meeting agenda. Margaret Kristan seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
- Motion Item: Margaret Kristan made a motion to approve the January 28, 2021 Executive Committee meeting minutes. Nancy Leipzig seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- **3. Motion Item:** Margaret Kristan made a motion approve the meeting agenda for the GCPD February Bi-Monthly meeting for February 17, 2021. Nancy Leipzig seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 4. Motion Item: Margaret Kristan made a motion to approve and send the letter regarding public access to hearings. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- **5. Motion Item:** Nancy Leipzig made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Pearl Fessenden 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; Margaret Kristan; Nancy Leipzig; Pearl Fessenden; and Ben Barrett.

Executive committee members absent (excused*): Not applicable.

Guests: Ramsey Lee, Member-at-Large, GCPD; Tom O'Connor, Member-at-Large, GCPD; Dan Idzikowski, Member-at-Large, GCPD; Pam Ironside; and Lawrence Brown, ADAPT.

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

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

The meeting was available via phone at 1-844-708-2569 and Meeting ID: 848 0153 1422 and via Zoom.

III. Review and Approve February 4, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

 Nancy Leipzig made a motion approve the February 4, 2021 Executive Committee meeting agenda. Margaret Kristan seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

IV. Review and Approve January 28, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Margaret Kristan made a motion to approve the January 28, 2021
 Executive Committee meeting minutes. Nancy Leipzig seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.



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V. Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities

- Lawrence Brown stated that snow removal around Milwaukee public transit bus stops was not adequate or wheelchair accessible as there was not wheelchair path. This caused Lawrence Brown to miss a doctor's appointment and has happened during the recent snow storms.
 - Dan Idzikowski recommended Lawrence Brown contact the Milwaukee Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator.
 - The Executive Committee also emailed Lawrence Brown the Milwaukee ADA complaint form.



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VI. Review and Approve GCPD February Bi-Monthly Meeting Agenda

- For agenda item 6, sub-bullet one "Establishing Work Plan Committee for Development of New Three-Year Plan" state in meeting email that the Executive Committee is looking for GCPD members to serve on the workgroup. The Executive Committee also discussed including the timeline for Work Plan workgroup compassion and timeline for completion as a meeting handout.
 - Margaret Kristan made a motion approve the meeting agenda for the GCPD February Bi-Monthly meeting for February 17, 2021.
 Nancy Leipzig seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 3.

VII. Review and Approve Letter to Wisconsin Legislature on Access to Public Hearings

- Nancy Leipzig stated that bullet one in the recommendations section needs to be revised and clarification needs to be added.
- The Executive Committee also discussed spelling out acronyms the first time they are used in the letter.
- The Executive Committee discussed who the letter should be sent to and expanded recipients to include: Majority leaders; Minority leaders; and Joint Finance Committee Chairs.
- Margaret Kristan recommended GCPD CC all Wisconsin State Legislators on the letter. Discussion was also had about CC GCPD members and the Lieutenant Governor's office.
 - Margaret Kristan made a motion to approve and send the letter regarding public access to hearings. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 4.
 - David Morstad will revise and send letter about Wisconsin Legislature and access to public hearings by GCPD's Executive Committee meeting on February 11, 2021. See Action Item 1.



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VIII. Discuss COVID-19 and GCPD Policy Recommendations

- The Executive Committee discussed vaccination sign-up systems and that
 they should not rely solely on internet access or emails since internet is
 not accessible to everyone throughout the state or individuals may not
 have access to devices to access the internet.
- Discussion was also had by the Executive Committee related to transportation for people to get the COVID-19 vaccine. Some funding for transportation has been made available by counties or municipalities but it has been limited.
- The Executive Committee also discussed a letter being sent by Managed Care Organizations to participants about getting vaccinated. The Executive Committee discussed the letter being at a 12th grade reading level and the need for plain language to be utilized to make this information accessible for everyone.

IX. Adjourn

 Nancy Leipzig made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Pearl Fessenden seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 5.

Meeting adjourned at 2:08 P.M.