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

Thursday, April 1, 2021
1:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Executive Committee Action and Motion Items

A. Executive Committee Action Items

- 1. Action Item:** DHS Support Staff will work with GCPD Officers to obtain names and email addresses for the following: Dr. Clyde Chumbley, Chief Executive Officer at Wisconsin Medical Society; Wisconsin Hospital Association; Wisconsin Dental Association; Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging (GWAAR); National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) and Autism Awareness Groups.
- 2. Action Item:** Tom O'Connor will send email language along with the Executive Summary and *Right to Have a Support Person of Caregiver at Appointments* PowerPoint data to CDHH and WI HLAA and also WI Association of the Deaf (WAD).
- 3. Action Item:** Rhonda Staats will send email language along with the Executive Summary and *Right to Have a Support Person of Caregiver at Appointments* PowerPoint data to SCOB and the WI Council of the Blind and VI.

B. Executive Committee Motion Items

- 1. Motion Item:** Tom O'Connor made a motion approve the April 1, 2021 Executive Committee meeting agenda. Rhonda Staats seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
- 2. Motion Item:** Margaret Kristan made a motion to approve the March 25, 2021 Executive Committee meeting minutes. Tom O'Connor seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 3. 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; Margaret Kristan Tom O'Connor; Rhonda Staats and Ben Barrett.

Executive committee members absent (excused*): Not applicable

Guests: Ramsey Lee, Member-at-Large, GCPD; Jeff Fox, Member-at-Large, Wisconsin Council on Physical Disabilities.

DHS staff support present: Laura Plummer, Department of Health Services (DHS), Bureau of Aging and Disability Resource (BADR); Amber Mullett, DHS, BADR; Monica Smith, DHS, BADR.

II. David Morstad, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

The meeting was made available via phone at 1-844-708-2569 with Meeting ID: 834 0611 7182 and via [Zoom](#).

III. Review and Approve April 1, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

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

IV. Review and Approve March 25, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

- Margaret Kristan made a motion to approve the March 25, 2021 Executive Committee meeting minutes. Tom O'Connor seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.

V. Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities

- Ramsey Lee mentioned attending two of the Governor's Bounce Back Meetings and writing a letter to the governor highlighting the need for health equity and broadband access.



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VI. Discuss COVID-19 and GCPD Policy Recommendations

- ***COVID-19 Consumer Survey Results***
- ***Discuss Feedback from Survey Data and Executive Summary Distribution to Stakeholders and Partners***
 - The Executive Committee discussed feedback and distribution of the Executive Summary and *Right to Have a Support Person of Caregiver at Appointments* PowerPoint data to stakeholders and partners.
 - David Morstad shared that the documents were emailed to contacts at the Office of the Governor; Office of the Lieutenant Governor; Secretary's Office; Department of Health Services (DHS) Leadership, Division of Medicaid Services (DMS) and Division of Public Health (DPH) Leadership; Health and Equity Council; Disability Rights Wisconsin (DRW) and constituent councils.
 - David Morstad shared that he did receive a response from Chuck Warzecha, Deputy Administrator DPH, acknowledging the value of the survey's findings, and adding that he will be strategizing with Carrie Molke, Director Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources, regarding improvements that can be moved forward; and will provide an official response when able.
- ***Discuss GCPD Next Steps with Survey Data and Executive Summary***
 - The Executive Committee discussed next steps needed for obtaining additional contact information.
 - DHS Support Staff will work with GCPD Officers to obtain names and email addresses for the following: Dr. Clyde Chumbley, Chief Executive Officer at Wisconsin Medical Society; Wisconsin Hospital Association; Wisconsin Dental Association; Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging (GWAAR);



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VII. Discuss Equity and Inclusion Task Force Recommendations

- **Equitable Access**
 - Amber Mullett shared that as a starting point, all State agencies are working to develop Equity and Inclusion plans as required per Executive Order #59. In addition, the Governor's budget is requesting an Equity and Inclusion position be provided to each State agency to help with this work; suggesting that the Executive Committee may want to review these plans as they are released, since they will be public.
- **GCPD Work Plan Committee Updates**
 - Rhonda Staats informed Executive Committee that GCPD Work Plan Committee met on March 19, 2021; and discussed adding Equitable Access as a main broad goal to the GCPD Work Plan, along with continuing with Transportation, Employment goals.
 - The next GCPD Work Plan Committee will be April 16, 2021.



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VIII. Draft Agenda for April 8, 2021 GCPD Executive Committee Meeting

- The Executive Committee agreed on cancelling the upcoming April 8, 2021 GCPD Executive Meeting. The GCPD Executive Committee will resume meeting on April 15, 2021 from 1:00 PM- 2:00 PM.

IX. Adjourn

- Margaret Kristan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rhonda Staats seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 3.

Meeting adjourned at 1:58 P.M.