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Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities (GCPD) Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Teleconference Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 5, 2023
10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.

APPROVED 2-2-23.

Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Action and Motion Items

A. Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Action Items

1. **Action Item:** Ben Barrett will be reviewing the GCPD Access Policy Brief on behalf of the Sub-Committee during the GCPD Executive Committee Meeting this afternoon.
2. **Action Item:** Ramsey Lee will be reviewing the GCPD AG Policy Brief on behalf of the Sub-Committee during the GCPD Executive Committee Meeting this afternoon.

B. Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Motion Items

1. **Motion Item:** David Morstad made a motion to approve the January 5, 2023, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee meeting agenda. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Motion Item:** Ramsey Lee made a motion to approve the December 1, 2022, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee meeting minutes. David Morstad seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Motion Item:** Ben Barrett made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome and Introductions:

Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee members present: Katherine Schneider; David Morstad; Ben Barrett; and Ramsey Lee.

Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee members absent (excused*): John Hartman*.



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Guests: Dan Laatsch, GCPD Member-at-Large.

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

II. Katherine Schneider, Sub-Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

The meeting was made available via phone at (669) 254-5252 with Meeting ID: 161 038 6323 and via [Zoom](#).

III. Review and Approve January 5, 2023, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda

- David Morstad made a motion to approve the January 5, 2023, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee meeting agenda. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

IV. Review and Approve December 1, 2022, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes

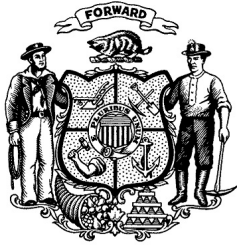
- Ramsey Lee made a motion to approve the December 1, 2022, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee meeting minutes. David Morstad seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.

V. Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities

- No public comment was received.

VI. Discuss Opportunities and Access Section of the GCPD 2022-2024 Work Plan

- The Sub-Committee discussed moving forward with possibly amended the Opportunities and Access Workplan to support the two Policy Brief Recommendations.



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- ***Discuss the Recommendation for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator Position within Government***

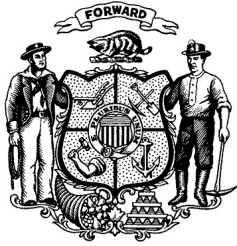
- The Sub-Committee reviewed and discussed a one-page policy brief and recommendation from the Sub-Committee to support Access and an ADA Coordinator position or an equivalent to work within DHS.
 - Ben Barrett will be reviewing the GCPD Access Policy Brief on behalf of the Sub-Committee during the GCPD Executive Committee Meeting this afternoon. See Action Item 1.

- ***Discuss and Review Status of Disability Related Civil Rights Complaints Routing Through Wisconsin Attorney General***

- The Sub-Committee discussed and reviewed the GCPD AG Policy Brief. *Issue: Alleged Civil Rights Violations are not currently being reviewed and investigated by an Office of Civil Rights Enforcement and/or the Wisconsin Attorney General's Office.*
 - Lisa Sobczyk and Margaret Kristan, GCPD Chair, will be meeting with the Attorney General's office this month to discuss the Policy Brief and if/how they would like to proceed.
 - Ramsey Lee will be reviewing the GCPD AG Policy Brief on behalf of the Sub-Committee during the GCPD Executive Committee Meeting this afternoon. See Action Item 2.

VII. Draft February 2, 2023, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda

- The Sub-Committee discussed the agenda for the next Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee meeting on February 2, 2023:
 - Review and Approve February 2, 2023, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda



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- Review and Approve January 5, 2023, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes
- Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities (10:10 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.)
- Discuss Opportunities and Access Section of the GCPD 2022-2024 Work Plan
 - Follow-up and Next Steps on the Status of Recommendation for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator Position within Government
 - Follow-up and Next Steps on the Status of Recommendation for Disability Related Civil Rights Complaints Routing Through Wisconsin Attorney General
- Discuss Aging Advocacy and Assistive Technology (AT) Act Funding Initiatives
- Draft March 2, 2023, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda
- Adjourn

VIII. Adjourn

- Ben Barrett made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 3.

Meeting adjourned at 10:36 A.M.