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

Thursday, June 1, 2023
10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.

Approved July 6, 2023

Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Action and Motion Items

A. Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Action Items

1. **Action Item:** DHS support staff will connect Katherine Schneider with Karen Secor, CPD Emergency Preparedness Chair for further discussion around access and emergency preparedness.

B. Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Motion Items

1. **Motion Item:** David Morstad made a motion to approve the June 1, 2023, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee meeting agenda. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Motion Item:** Ben Barrett made a motion to approve the April 6, 2023, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee meeting minutes. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Motion Item:** Ben Barrett made a motion to move the Sub-Committee Meeting to the second Thursday of the month starting September 14, 2023. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion.
4. **Motion Item:** David Morstad made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ben Barrett 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*):
Not applicable.



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Guests: Not applicable.

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

II. Katherine Schneider, Sub-Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:01 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 June 1, 2023, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda

- David Morstad made a motion to approve the June 1, 2023, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee meeting agenda. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

IV. Review and Approve April 6, 2023, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes

- Ben Barrett made a motion to approve the April 6, 2023, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee meeting minutes. Ramsey Lee 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 Future Plans for Concordia University Educational Collaboration

- Sub-Committee discussed the two Concordia presentations that have been done so far and plans for future presentations.
 - Discussed creating a video panel. DHS multimedia team could assist with the logistics of the videotaping. Also, the option of having virtual presenters and an in-person panel.



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- Discussed the importance of having in-person interactions vs. video interactions. Discussed possibly having both video and in-person options.
- Discussed moving forward with expanding to present at other colleges and technical schools and limited capacity to do more.
- Discussed inviting Elizabeth Watson, University of Wisconsin Representative, to the September 14, 2023, GCPD Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Meeting for discussion.
- Ben Barrett made a motion to move the Sub-Committee Meeting to the second Thursday of the month starting September 14, 2023. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. See Motion Item 3.

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

- ***No Updates on the Recommendation for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator Position within Government***
 - No current updates.
- ***No Updates on the Status of Disability Related Civil Rights Complaints Routing Through Wisconsin Attorney General***
 - No current updates.

VII. Identify Partners, Stakeholders and Other Community Members to Invite to Opportunities and Access Subcommittee Meetings for Policy Discussions

- Upcoming: July 6, 2023, Presentation on Mental Health Services Access for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Population; Anastasia Heckendorf, DHS D/HH/DB Behavioral Health Initiative Project Coordinator.
- Discussed September 14, 2023, having an update on the Concordia Project and invite Elizabeth Watson for discussion.



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- Discussed emergency preparedness and connecting with the Council on Physical Disabilities (CPD) Emergency Preparedness Chair to discuss local education efforts.
 - DHS support staff will connect Katherine Schneider with Karen Secor, CPD Emergency Preparedness Chair for further discussion around access and emergency preparedness. See Action Item 1.

VIII. Draft July 6, 2023, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda

- The Sub-Committee discussed the agenda for the next Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee meeting on July 6, 2023:
- Review and Approve July 6, 2023, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda
- Review and Approve June 1, 2023, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes
- Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities (10:10 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.)
- Presentation on Mental Health Services Access for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Population
 - Anastasia Heckendorf, DHS D/HH/DB Behavioral Health Initiative Project Coordinator
- Identify Partners, Stakeholders and Other Committee Members to Invite to Opportunities and Access Subcommittee Meetings for Policy Discussions
- Draft September 14, 2023, Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda
- Adjourn



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IX. Adjourn

- David Morstad made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried. See motion item 4.

Meeting adjourned at 10:58 A.M.