

## State of Wisconsin

Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities

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### **Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities (GCPD) Transportation Sub-Committee Teleconference Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, December 7, 2022  
11:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.**

#### **Transportation Sub-Committee Action and Motion Items**

##### **A. Transportation Sub-Committee Action Items**

1. **Action Item:** Identify local opportunities for advocacy on accessible transportation and discuss them at a future Transportation Sub-Committee meeting.

##### **B. Transportation Sub-Committee Motion Items**

1. **Motion Item:** Ramsey Lee made a motion to approve the December 7, 2022, meeting agenda. Dan Laatsch seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Motion Item:** Ramsey Lee made a motion to approve the November 2, 2022, Transportation Sub-Committee meeting minutes. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Motion Item:** Julie Blasky made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dan Laatsch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

##### **C. Transportation Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes**

###### **I. Welcome and Introductions**

**Transportation Sub-Committee members present:** Rhonda Staats; Ben Barrett; Dan Laatsch; Julie Blasky; and Ramsey Lee.

**Transportation Sub-Committee members absent (excused\*):** Dan Idzkowski.

**Guests:** Regan Batterman, Department of Health Services; Jonathan Liegeois, Veyo/MTM Employee; Jeff Fox, Vice-Chair, Council on Physical Disabilities (CPD); Alena DeGrado, Transportation Coordinator, Milwaukee County Aging Department; Taqwanya Smith, Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WI-



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DOT); Katie Patterson, WI-DOT; Jennifer Murray, I-DOT; Adam Thomas; and Lawrence Brown.

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

#### II. Rhonda Staats, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 11:00 A.M.

The meeting was made available via phone at 1-844-708-2569 with Meeting ID: 161 514 3235 and via [Zoom](#).

#### III. Review and Approve December 7, 2022, Transportation Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda

- Ramsey Lee made a motion to approve the December 7, 2022, meeting agenda. Dan Laatsch seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

#### IV. Review and Approve November 2, 2022, Transportation Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes

- Ramsey Lee made a motion to approve the November 2, 2022, Transportation Sub-Committee meeting minutes. Ben Barrett seconded the motion.
  - Julie Blasky abstained from the vote as she did not attend the November meeting.
  - Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.

#### V. Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities

- Lawrence Brown shared that the Non-Medical Emergency Transportation program is not coming to pick up riders on time and not able to accommodate special requests such as two riders in wheelchairs.

#### VI. Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WI-DOT) Presentation

- Kaite Patterson with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation presented on the transportation programs that WI-DOT oversees.



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- Rhonda Staats stated after the presentation that the most effective advocacy for accessible transportation happens at the county or local level and that people with disabilities need to be providing input on county transportation plans and serving on those local boards.
  - Transportation Sub-Committee members will identify local opportunities for advocacy on accessible transportation and discuss them at a future Transportation Sub-Committee meeting. See Action Item 1.

#### **VII. Update on Wisconsin's Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT)**

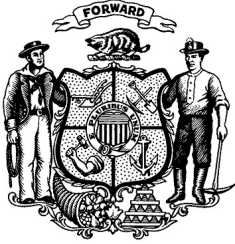
- The Transportation Sub-Committee ran out of time and did not get to this agenda item.

#### **VIII. Discuss Legislative Updates Related to Transportation Needs of People with Disabilities**

- The Transportation Sub-Committee ran out of time and did not get to this agenda item.

#### **IX. Draft January 4, 2023, Transportation Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda**

- The Transportation Sub-Committee stated that the January meeting agenda would cover the items the Sub-Committee did not get to during the December meeting. Meeting agenda will be:
  - Welcome and Introductions
  - Review and Approve January Transportation Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda
  - Review and Approve December Transportation Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes
  - Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities (11:10 A.M. – 11:15 A.M.)
  - Update on Wisconsin's Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT)



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- Discuss Legislative updates related to Transportation for People with Disabilities
- Review GCPD Work Plan and Discuss Additional Recommendations for Consideration by the GCPD's Executive Committee Meeting
- Draft the February 2023, Transportation Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda
- Adjourn

#### X. Adjourn

- Julie Blasky made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dan Laatsch seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 3.

**Meeting adjourned at 12:02 P.M.**