

Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities Quarterly Meeting

The Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities (GCDD) met on Thursday, June 9, 2022 UA Pulaski Tech-South Campus, CAHMI Building, Le Culinaire Dinning Room, 13000 I-30, Little Rock AR 72210 also Zoom for those who was not available to attend.

Agenda Item I

Call to Order

Katherine Donovan Council Chair call to order was made on 10:14 am.

Agenda Item II

Roll Call

Donoven, Council Chair conducted the roll call with the following results:

Members Present:

Kate Donovan – Chairperson
Lud Kozlowski – Vice - Chair
Karan Burnette
Syrad Evans
Joseph Baxter-Christy
Cynthia Fong-Virtual
C.W. Gardenhire
Mark George
Ke'Arus Henderson
Carrie Hollis-Anthony
Ann Price
Kimberly Horton-Virtual
Christopher Tebbetts-Virtual
Maria Villagran-Virtual
Melissa Weatherton-Virtual
Janette Williams-Smith-Parent Advocate
Tom Masseau-Virtual
Kasey Hodges-Virtual

Members Absent:

Toni Roy
Rhonda Saunders
Heather Shrader
Amanda Sanders

Guest:

Michael Thornton-Self Advocate
Julia Robbins-MHP
Arkansas Rehab
Ally Thompson

Staff Present:

Jonathan Taylor, Executive Director

Assiah Lewellen, Deputy Director
Jamiya Foote, Finance & Operations Coordinator
Kim Gatewood, Admin. Specialist

Agenda Item
Approve May 5, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Katherine asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the previous Council meeting. She asked was there any corrections being made. With no changes requested, a motion was made by Karen Burnette and seconded by Janette Williams Smith to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2022 meeting. All members present voted unanimously in favor and the motion to approve the minutes passed.

Agenda Item
Council Budget Report

Jamiya Foote Finance Operations Coordinator presented the FY22 Budget to the Council. Executive Director Jonathan Taylor spoke about 2201 ARSCPH 2022-Expanding Public Health Workforce pertaining to it being a new award and potential partners are still being advised about the award. Janette Williams Smith questioned the budget. Donovan explained the process of the grants. Assiah Lewellen also explained the budget. Council Chair asked the council for any other question regarding the Budget Report. Donovan thanks Foote and moved on the next order of business

Agenda Item
FY22 Funded Project Report

Assiah Lewellen presented the Funding Project Arkansas Support Network, Disabilities Rights Arkansas, University of Arkansas/Partners for Inclusive Communities. Lewellen explained the activities that will take place on each award along with significance of each award. Assiah informed the members at the retreat in September Lewellen will present more utilization to the board. Council Chair asked the council for any other question regarding the FY22 Funded Project Report. Donovan thanks Lewellen and moved on the next order of business

Agenda Item
DD Network/Advocacy Update

Executive Director Taylor informed the board about the Breakfast Club pertaining to what the networking event was about. Different levels of budgeting, housing opportunities for people with disabilities. Taylor advised advantages are coming with other entities that has the same goal.

Ally Thompson informed the alliance she stated how others can help participants Thompson informed the committee on how parents, siblings, and guardians needs help. Ally advised the committee that there are four non disable individuals twelve people four parents, two self-advocates. Thompson informed that they all will be on the waiting list.

Tom Masseau also informed the council about part of the material is encouraging to share documents to network.

Agenda Item

Reports from Committee Chairs

Lud Kozlowski Vice Chair informed the council starting September 2022 the nominating committee will keep documentation of the role. Kozlowski advised the council members cannot miss more than two meetings throughout a year.

Mark George on behalf of the Public Policy & Outreach Committee federal level two senators from Ohio 2,000 per individuals 3,000 per couple the bill will increase assess living. George states July 15 the bill will be extended it is important for everyone to update their contact information.

George, inform the council the waiver group is up for renewal public calling period has ended it will be submitted the 2nd week in June. George emphasizes the issue is to keep pushing the legislators for the Senate Bill 4102.

Julia Robbins with Mangan Holcomb Media Report (MHP). Robbins gave a PowerPoint presentation to the Committee regarding the marketing efforts and results for the past quarter. She reviewed the previous quarters website and social media metrics. (The Covid 19 Landing Page informed the council members informed the committee of all the new updates pertaining to the website and what the viewers are viewing. Digital media was 701, 584 it was 2,406 link clicks, 10 e-newsletter sign ups. Social media performance 607 Facebook page visit, 31 new page likes. Donovan asked the council for any question regarding reports from Committee Chairs. Council Chair Donovan thanks Robbins and moved on the next order of business.

Agenda Item**State Plan and Implementation Committee Update**

CW Gardenhire informed the council of the State Plan & Implementation Committee Update Gardenhire informs the council members that the SPI is begin taking to full council for revision. Motion to approve was made by Janette Williams-Smith 2nd motion was made by Carrie Hollis-Anthony.

Agenda Item**FY23 Project Funding**

CW Gardenhire made approval for full council for the rewarding process. Syrad Evans, Maria Villagran, recused. Katherine Donovan approved 2nd motion was made by Janette Williams Smith. Donovan asked the council for any question regarding FY23 Project Funding Council Chair Donovan thanks Gardenhire and moved on the next order of business.

Agenda Item**Council Education & Training**

Executive Director Taylor presented ITACC Advocacy & Public Policy Activities teaching other people about advocating and building. Taylor explained the difference in advocating and lobbying. Taylor informed the council to make sure they are talking to their legislators and knowing who their legislators are. Mark George commented stating "Contact a representative who need to know what's important to you and your family.". Donovan asked the council for any question regarding Council Education & training from Committee Chairs. Council Chair Donovan thanks Taylor and moved on the next order of business.

**Agenda Item VIII
New Business and Announcements**

Taylor explained all the events that is taking place within the year.

The Marshallese thanked the council members for helping to partner with Marshallese in Springdale Arkansas. Taylor informed the council about cost for projects will be showing up on budget sheet networking sessions disability and education which are virtual sessions.

Karen Burnette informed the council on November 3, 2022 it will be an In-Person Artissima Gala.

**Agenda Item
Adjourn**

Donoven made motion to adjourn Janette Williams Smith made motion 2nd motion was made by Karen Burnette.

Jamiya Foote, Recorder

APPROVED 09/12/2022 BY FULL COUNCIL
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