



COUNCIL ON
PHYSICAL DISABILITIES

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**Wisconsin Council on Physical Disabilities (CPD)
Quarterly Meeting**

**Sheraton Madison Hotel
706 John Nolen Drive
Madison, WI 53713**

**Thursday, July 28, 2022
9:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.**

Approved October 27, 2022.

Action and Motion Items

A. Action Items

- 1. Action Item:** DHS support staff will contact Division of Public Health staff and arrange for a presenter on the State Health Plan and State Health Improvement Plan framework at the August CPD Executive Committee meeting.
- 2. Action Item:** DHS support staff will secure quotes for the Council on the printing of additional Emergency Preparedness Communications folders.
- 3. Action Item:** DHS support staff will get the Council registered for a table at the National Respite Conference and secure lodging for CPD members.
- 4. Action Item:** DHS support staff will send the revised State Plan for People with Disabilities to the full Council.

B. Motion Items

- 1. Motion Item:** Roberto Escamilla II made a motion to approve the CPD July Quarterly meeting agenda as amended. Karen Secor seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 2. Motion Item:** Michael Conley-Kuhagen made a motion to approve the April Quarterly meeting minutes. Jeff Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 3. Motion Item:** Jeff Fox made a motion for the Council to use its funding to print additional Emergency Preparedness Communications folders. Karen Secor seconded the motion. Motion carried.



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4. **Motion Item:** Jackie Gordon made a motion that the Dan Johnson Advocacy Award work will be assigned to the Executive Committee. Gabriele Schlieve seconded the motion. Motion carried.
5. **Motion Item:** Gabriel Schlieve made a motion to adopt the State Health Improvement Plan priority areas and State Health Assessment framework for the Council's State Plan and to remove strategies from the State Plan. Karen Secor seconded the motion. Motion carried.
6. **Motion Item:** Jeff Fox made a motion to approve the October Quarterly meeting agenda. Charles Vandenplas seconded the motion. Motion carried.
7. **Motion Item:** Elizabeth Watson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gabriel Schlieve seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome and Introductions, Ben Barrett, Chairperson

Council members present: Ben Barrett; Artrell Mason; Jeff Fox; Charles Vandenplas; Karen Secor; Roberto Escamilla II; Jackie Gordon; Gabriel Schlieve; Michael Conley-Kuhagen; Ann Belisle; Nicole Herda; and Camile Cray.

Council members absent (excused*): Not applicable.

Liaisons present: Taqwanya Smith, Department of Transportation; Craig Wehner, Wisconsin Department for Workforce Development; Elizabeth Watson, University of Wisconsin Whitewater; and Sarah Smith, Wisconsin Office of the Commissioner of Insurance.

Liaisons absent (excused*): Nicholas Zouski, Department of Natural Resources; Colleen Larsen, Wisconsin Technical College System; *Eva Kubinski, Department of Public Instruction*; and Jeremy Kaukl, Department of Safety and Professional Services*.

Guests: Courtney Brightharp, Journey of Collaboration (JOFC); Chris Reyes (JOFC, university of Wisconsin Department of Pediatrics); Jaleel Jefferson (JOFC, South Carolina Department of Health); Will Hopkins (JOFC); and Jennifer Hoege, Services Manager (public member).

Captioning Services: Margo Lucas.



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DHS staff support present: Lisa Sobczyk, Department of Health Services (DHS), Bureau of Aging and Disability Resource (BADR); Mikael Snitker, DHS, BADR; and Amber Mullett, DHS, BADR.

II. Meeting Called to Order

Ben Barrett, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M.

The meeting was held at the Sheraton Madison Hotel located at 706 John Nolen Drive, Madison, WI 53713. The meeting was also made available via phone at (669) 254-5252 and Meeting ID: 161 338 9219 and via [Zoom](#).

III. Review and Approve July Quarterly Meeting Agenda

- Roberto Escamilla II made a motion to approve the CPD July Quarterly meeting agenda. Karen Secor seconded the motion.
 - Lisa Sobczyk requested that the State Health Assessment Request from DHS be added to the agenda as Item VI.
 - The Council discussed the addition of this meeting agenda item and agreed to add it.
 - Roberto Escamilla II made a motion to approve the CPD July Quarterly meeting agenda as amended. Karen Secor seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

IV. Review and Approve April Quarterly Meeting Minutes

- Michael Conley-Kuhagen made a motion to approve the April Quarterly meeting minutes. Jeff Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.

V. Public Comment on the [State Plan for People with Disabilities, 2019-2021](https://cpd.wisconsin.gov/pdffiles/stateplan2019-21.pdf) (<https://cpd.wisconsin.gov/pdffiles/stateplan2019-21.pdf>) or Issues Impacting People with Physical Disabilities (9:10 A.M.–9:20 A.M.)

- No public comment was received.



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VI. CPD Liaison Updates

- Taqwanya Smith, Department of Transportation (DOT) Liaison provided updates on the Milwaukee Intermodal Station and Milwaukee Airport Rail Station (MIS and MARS).
- Elizabeth Watson, University of Wisconsin System liaison provided an update regarding System president. Elizabeth Watson shared an update on the statewide transition initiative and transition coordinator. In addition, Elizabeth Watson shared information on the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation's training grants for college students with disabilities and how that was working for students. Elizabeth also shared that accessibility has been a focus of the President's Office and an annual Report on University Accessibility will be released in October/November 2022.
- Sarah Smith shared that the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance (OCI) is focused on web accessibility. Sarah Smith also stated that OCI has seen an increased enrollment for uninsured during the open enrollment period.
- Camile Cray with the Governor's Office provided updates on the disability issues the Governor's office was monitoring and working on.

VII. State Health Assessment Request

- The Department of Health Services, Division of Public Health is trying to engage as many partners and advocates as possible with the new State Health Improvement Plan and State Health Assessment framework, wants to build alliances around the foundational shifts and equity work, and to have partners' input into the framework. As a result, DPH wants to present the SHA and SHIP framework to as many stakeholders as possible from May to August 2022 and receive feedback.
- The Council discussed this request and agreed CPD would be interested in having a formal presentation on the framework at its next Executive Committee meeting.



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VIII. CPD Committee Updates

- ***Emergency Preparedness***

- Karen Secor, Emergency Preparedness Committee Chair, provided updates on CPD Emergency Preparedness Toolkit distribution and outreach events.
 - At the Department of Veteran's Affairs conference in Green Bay 150 toolkits were distributed and 120 Emergency Preparedness Communications folders.
 - The Council discussed remaining quantities of toolkits and the communications folder. The Council had distributed over 1,700 Emergency Preparedness Communications folders and is running low on inventory.
 - Jeff Fox made a motion for the Council to use its funding to print additional Emergency Preparedness Communications folders. Karen Secor seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 3.
 - DHS support staff will secure quotes for the Council on the printing of additional Emergency Preparedness Communications folders. See Action Item 2.
 - Nicole Herda shared that there was interest from the Wisconsin Council of Churches to have a presentation on the Emergency Preparedness Toolkit.
 - Jackie Gordon also shared that there was an opportunity to have a table at the National Respite Conference being held September 13-15, 2022 at the Concourse Hotel in Madison, WI.



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- The Council discussed this opportunity and decided unanimously to register for a table to be able to do outreach related to emergency preparedness and the toolkit.
- Jackie Gordon, Ben Barrett, and Jeff Fox will staff the table.
- DHS support staff will get the Council registered for a table at the National Respite Conference and secure lodging for CPD members. See Action Item 3.
- **State Plan**
 - The State Plan Committee recommended at its March meeting that the full Council discuss the Council Mission and Vision and possible revisions to the State Plan for People with Disabilities, 2022-2024 at a full Council meeting.
 - These items are on the July Quarterly meeting agenda for discussion.
- **Executive Committee**
 - **Update on the Dan Johnson Award**
 - Executive Committee asked if there were any volunteers willing to serve on a workgroup for the Dan Johnson Advocacy Award. Jackie Gordon, Karen Secor, and Ben Barrett volunteered to serve on the workgroup.
 - Discussion was had by the Council as to whether this should be a separate workgroup or handled by the Executive Committee as all the volunteers are Executive Committee members.
 - Jackie Gordon made a motion that the Dan Johnson Advocacy Award work will be assigned to the Executive Committee. Gabriele Schlieve seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 4.



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- Timeline for the Dan Johnson Advocacy award was discussed and determined to be as follows:
 - December 2022 – Call for Nominations
 - April 2023 – Applications Reviewed
 - June 2023 – Nominees Selected
 - October 2023 – Award Celebration will be held in conjunction with CPD’s Quarterly meeting
- **Transportation**
 - The Transportation has not met since March and has been sunset until more Council members are appointed. No updates were provided from this committee.
- **Employment and Health**
 - The Employment and Health Committee has not met since April and has been sunset until more Council members are appointed. No updates were provided from this committee.

IX. Facilitated Discussion on CPD Member Questions, CPD Mission, and Vision

- The Council discussed questions that were distributed Council members prior to the meetings including:
 - What is the Council being called to do?
 - Is the Council’s purpose and vision still relevant?
 - Is the Council truly dismantling the broken system?
 - Are the Council’s current approaches working?
 - What happens if the Council stops its work and does nothing?
 - How does the Council leverage the disruption happening due to COVID and societal change to leverage opportunities for people with physical disabilities?



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- Is the Council pursuing programs, policies, and leveraging opportunities that truly address the needs of people with physical disabilities in Wisconsin?
- Why are more people with physical disabilities not engaging with the Council and its work?
- What are members being called to do?
- What is the one thing you want accomplish during your time serving on the Council?
- What meaningful work do you feel you have engaged in while serving on this Council?
- What unique skills, talents, and gifts do you bring to the Council? Can these be utilized to advance the Council's purpose?
- The Council also discussed its current mission and vision.
 - Gabriel Schlieve stated there is a lot of good things the Council is doing but it could be doing more with a streamlined structure.
 - Michael Conley-Kuhagen asked if there is a way to streamline and synchronize the work of the Council.
 - Gabriel Schlieve also asked members how they get the Council more visible?
 - Ann Belisle stated she would get the word out within her personal and professional networks to see who might be interested in joining the Council.
 - Roberto Escamilla II said the Council should not try and cure all the worlds ills but rather this group should bring issues faced by people with physical disabilities to life and should engage others when asking for recommendations.
 - Camile Cray shared that possibly having Council member's do goal setting when they come onboard with the Council might help.



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- ***Discuss Next Steps Related to Revisions of the State Plan for People with Physical Disabilities, 2022-2024***
 - Based on the discussion by Council members related to streamlining its work and leveraging partners, Amber Mullet shared the State Health Improvement Plan priority areas and framework as a possible template for simplifying the Council's goals.
 - The Council discussed how removing the strategies from the State Plan for People with Physical Disabilities and only listing the goals would allow the Council to be more responsive to opportunities to improve programs, funding, and services for people with disabilities.
 - Gabriel Schlieve made a motion to adopt the State Health Improvement Plan priority areas and State Health Assessment framework for the Council's State Plan and to remove strategies from the State Plan. Karen Secor seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 5.
 - DHS support staff will send the revised State Plan for People with Disabilities to the full Council. See Action Item 4.

X. Draft October CPD Quarterly Meeting Agenda

- Review and Approve October Quarterly Meeting Agenda
- Review and Approve July Quarterly Meeting Minutes
- Public Comment on the State Plan for People with Physical Disabilities
- Presentation on the State Health Improvement and State Health Assessment
- CPD Committee Updates
- CPD liaison Updates
- Review and Approval of Dan Johnson Advocacy Award Documents



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- Review and Approve CPD's 2022 Annual Report
- Presentation by Division on Vocational Rehabilitation on Employment data for people with physical disabilities.
- CPD State Plan Distribution and Discuss Development of Workplans by CPD Committees
 - Jeff Fox made a motion to approve the October Quarterly meeting agenda. Charles Vandenplas seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 6.
 - Discussion was had about meeting the night before the quarterly meeting to provide orientation and education to new members.
 - Future quarterly meeting agenda items proposed included: unwinding of COVID (Presenters Natalie or Karen), state budget, and presentation by Division of treatment services.

XI. Adjourn

- Elizabeth Watson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gabriel Schlieve seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 7.

Meeting adjourned at 3:50 P.M.