



Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing First Quarter Meeting Minutes

Friday, March 01, 2024
10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Meeting held virtually via Zoom

Motion Items

1. **Motion Item:** Motion to adopt meeting agenda: Motion by Katy Hagmeyer, Second by David Seligman. Motion carried, no opposition.
2. **Motion Item:** Motion to accept December, Q4 meeting minutes, as amended. Motioned by Katy Hagmeyer with corrections, Second by BJ. Motion carried, no opposition.
3. **Motion Item:** Motion to adopt Kathy Johnson as HLAA member brought by Katy Hagmeyer, Seconded by BJ Ermenc. No opposition, motion carries.
4. **Motion Item:** Motion to table items 9 and 10 by BJ Ermenc, Second by David Seligman. No opposition. Motion carried.

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order

The March, Quarter 1 meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. by Jonathan Petermon

2. Welcome and Introductions

Welcome and introductions by: Jonathan Petermon

Council members present: Jonathan Petermon, BJ Ermenc, David Seligman, Andy Altmann, Hollie Barnes Spink, Katy Hagmeyer, Billy Mauldin.

Council members absent (excused*): Leia Sparks

Council Members absent: Andrew Last, Nicole Everson

Liaisons present: Jason P Anderson

DHS staff support present: Jennifer Anderson, Christopher Rawlings

Guests: Kathy Johnson- HLAA, Amber Mullett, Chantel Wiedmeyer, Stacie Heckendorf

3. Review and Approve March Meeting Agenda

Motion to adopt meeting agenda: Motion by Katy Hagmeyer, Second by David Seligman. Motion carried, no opposition.

4. Review and Approve December Meeting Minutes

Motion to amend December minutes:

Kathy noted a mistake in her role with HLAA, clarified HLAA Wisconsin, not Milwaukee or national. Noted misspelling of BJ Ermenc name from previous meeting.

Motioned by Katy with corrections, Second by BJ. Motion carried, no opposition.

5. Public Comments on Issues Affecting the Deaf, Deaf-Blind, or Hard of Hearing (10:15-10:30am)

Kathy Johnson was in attendance. No other members of the public joined, and no other public comments were made.

6. Executive Board Updates

- Jonathan Petermon: JP introduced Kathy Johnson and proposed liaison membership to council for additional insight. Council discussed and the Hearing Loss of America-Wisconsin partnership agency as a liaison membership to be a better option, with Kathy Johnson being named as the current liaison. Liaison members will be able to participate in meetings but may not vote or impact quorum. Liaison stays with the organization for continuity, Kathy may appoint someone in her place. Council wishes to see more representation of this kind from other community organizations serving the DHH/DB community.

Motion to adopt Kathy Johnson as HLAA member brought by Katy Hagmeyer, Seconded by BJ Ermenc. No opposition, motion carries.

7. Updates from GCPD Liaison

- BJ Ermenc, Vice-Chair- Discussed happening with GCPD. Details missing due to misunderstanding with notetaking. No votes taken.

8. ODHH Updates

- Liaison Transition- Jason P Anderson
 - Explanation of transition from Jennifer Anderson to Jason Anderson for consistency of Program and Policy Analysts across boards and councils.
- ADILN Cross-Council Conference and Pre-Conference- Jason P Anderson
 - Encouraged council members to attend conference and that it would help in their roles as council members.
- BHI Updates- Stacie Heckendorf
 - Stacie updated the council on partnerships with Denise Johnson and BHI

- BEI Updates- Chantel Wiedmeyer
 - Chantel updated that BEI would begin testing again.
- Biannual Budgets and Initiatives- Amber Mullett
 - Amber explained the budgetary process and what things will look like in the coming months. The council can assemble a group for budgetary considerations in the future, can be part of a strategic plan to be discussed at a later council meeting.

9. Council Strategic Plan for 2024

- Developing Strategic Plan
- Council Retreat
- Transportation

BJ and JP discussed the importance of developing a strategic plan to help guide the Council in their work. Also, there was a hope for a council retreat. There was not enough time to discuss details. Discussion tabled for next Quarterly meeting. Motion to table discussions by BJ Ermenc, Second by David Seligman. Motion carried.

10. Website for Council on ODHH Website

Also tabled for future meeting in motion above.

11. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by BJ Ermenc, Second by Katy Hagemeyer. No opposition, motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m.