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Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities

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

**Monday, October 17, 2022
12:00 P.M. to 1:00 P.M.**

Approved November 7, 2022.

Employment Sub-Committee Action and Motion Items

A. Employment Sub-Committee Action Items

1. **Action Item:** Invite Ellie Hartman to the November 7, 2022, GCPD Employment Sub-Committee to present on Wisconsin Promise.

B. Employment Sub-Committee Motion Items

1. **Motion Item:** Stacy Stone made a motion to approve the October 17, 2022, GCPD Employment Sub-Committee meeting agenda. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
2. **Motion Item:** Ben Barrett made a motion to approve the June 6, 2022, GCPD Employment Sub-Committee meeting minutes. Sarah Kuehn seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Motion Item:** Stacy Stone made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sarah Kuehn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. Employment Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome and Introductions: Nancy Leipzig, Chair

Employment Sub-Committee members present: Nancy Leipzig; Stacy Stone; Ben Barrett and Margaret Kristan.

Employment Sub-Committee members absent (excused*): *Pearl Fessenden; *Dan Laatsch; *Ramsey Lee; and *Daniel Idzikowski;

Liaison(s) present: Sarah Kuehn, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) Liaison.



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

Guests: Patti Johnson, Department of Workforce Development (DWD), Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) Policy Initiatives Advisor, Jeff Fox, Vice-Chair, Council on Physical Disabilities.

II. Nancy Leipzig Chairperson of Employment Sub-Committee called the meeting to order at 12:11 A.M.

The meeting was made available via phone at 1- 669-254-5252 with Meeting ID: 160 888 2066 and via [Zoom](#).

III. Review and Approve October 17, 2022, Employment Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda

- Stacy Stone made a motion to approve the October 17, 2022, GCPD Employment Sub-Committee meeting agenda. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion Carried. See Motion Item 1.

IV. Review and Approve June 6, 2022, Employment Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes

- Ben Barrett made a motion to approve the June 6, 2022, GCPD Employment Sub-Committee meeting minutes. Sarah Kuehn seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.

V. Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities

- No public comment was received.

VI. Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) Business Liaison Presentation

- Patti Johnson, Department of Workforce Development (DWD), Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) Policy Initiatives Advisor, attended the GCPD Sub-Committee meeting and provided information about Business Services Representatives throughout Wisconsin, and developing relationships with employers which are responsive to employer needs and candidates from DVR employment and rehabilitation services.



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- The Employment Sub-Committee discussed Disability Business Enterprise (DBE) designation within State Use program, to include people with disabilities as vendors of the State Use Program, and prior work by GCPD Employment Sub-Committee during 2017-2018.
- The Sub-Committee discussed removing disincentives to employment within the Social Security system, including expanding eligibility for the Medicaid Assistance Purchase Plan (MAPP).
- The Employment Sub-Committee discussed advancing Competitive Integrated Employment through a collaborative and aligned work plan within the Department of Workforce Development, Department of Health Services, and Department of Public Instruction by promoting and incentivizing the hiring of people with disabilities by private sector employers.
- The Sub-Committee discussed inviting Ellie Hartman to the November 7, 2022, GCPD Employment Sub-Committee to present on Wisconsin Promise. See Action Item 1.

VI. Develop Agenda for next GCPD Employment Sub-Committee meeting

- Welcome and Introductions
- Review and Approve November Employment Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda
- Review and Approve October Employment Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes
- Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities
- Discuss and Create a Plan on How to Accomplish Objectives in the Employment Section of the GCPD 2022-2024 Work Plan, and/or consider revising plan objectives.
- Draft December 5, 2022, Employment Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda meeting.



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VII. Adjourn

- Stacy Stone made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sarah Keuhn seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 3.

Meeting adjourned at 1:02 P.M.