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Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities

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

**Thursday, June 9, 2022  
1:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M.**

Approved June 16, 2022.

#### **Executive Committee Action and Motion Items**

##### **A. Executive Committee Action Items**

1. **Action Item:** DHS support staff will send out a redlined copy of the Bylaws to the Full Committee to review prior to the GCPD Bi-Monthly Meeting on June 15, 2022.

##### **B. Executive Committee Motion Items**

1. **Motion Item:** Ramsey Lee made a motion to approve the June 9, 2022, Executive Committee meeting agenda. Tom O'Connor seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Motion Item:** Tom O'Connor made a motion to approve the June 2, 2022, Executive Committee meeting minutes. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Motion Item:** Ramsey Lee made a motion to move the Employment Sub-Committee's recommendations to improvements the Wisconsin State Use Program forward to the upcoming GCPD Bi-Monthly Meeting on June 15, 2022, for approval. Tom O'Connor seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. **Motion Item:** Ramsey Lee made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom O'Connor seconded the motion. Motion carried.



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### C. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

#### I. Welcome and Introductions:

**Executive committee members present:** Rhonda Staats; Tom O'Connor; Ben Barrett; and Ramsey Lee.

**Executive committee members absent (excused\*):** Margaret Kristan\*.

**Guests:** Jeff Fox, Council on Physical Disabilities Member; Evelyn Azbell, GCPD Member-at-Large; Lawrence Brown, Community Member.; David Morstad, GCPD Member-at-Large; Nancy Leipzig, GCPD Member-at-Large.

**DHS support staff present:** Mikael Snitker, Department of Health Services (DHS), Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources (BADR); Ashley Walker, DHS, BADR; Karen Potnek, DHS, BADR; and Lisa Sobczyk, DHS, BADR.

#### II. Rhonda Staats, Vice Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

The meeting was made available via phone at 1-844-708-2569 with Meeting ID: 161 640 1752 and via [Zoom](#).

#### III. Review and Approve June 9, 2022, Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

- Ramsey Lee made a motion to approve the June 9, 2022, Executive Committee meeting agenda. Tom O'Connor seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

#### IV. Review and Approve June 2, 2022, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

- Tom O'Connor made a motion to approve the June 2, 2022, Executive Committee meeting minutes. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.

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

- Lawrence Brown stated that he is concerned with the efficiency with the Veyo and MTM merger, and the need for local transportation.



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#### VI. Discuss GCPD #Access4All Video Project Follow-Up

- Rhonda Staats reported that Margaret Kristan and herself met with Karen Odegaard and Paula Trans from DHS to discuss feedback from the #Access4All Video Watch Party and the last-minute changes to the video, which caused confusion and chaos 24 hours before the event.
  - Karen Odegaard and Paula Trans requested that frequent communication is very important between DHS and GCPD for all future events and projects.
- The Executive Committee discussed that a Concordia University professor named Lois Harrison, attended the #Access4All Video Watch Party, and requested that GCPD members present twice a year to students at Concordia (during the spring and fall sessions). Margaret Kristan and Rhonda Staats will meet with Lois Harrison again June 22, 2022, to continue the discussion.

#### VII. Discuss GCPD Sub-Committee Updates

- The Executive Committee discussed moving GCPD Sub-Committee updates at next week's GCPD Executive Committee meeting.
  - Tom O'Connor, Chair of Bylaws Sub-Committee reviewed the GCPD Bylaw changes.
    - DHS support staff will send out a redlined copy of the Bylaws to the Full Committee to review prior to the GCPD Bi-Monthly Meeting on June 15, 2022. See Action Item 1.
  - Nancy Leipzig, Chair of Employment Sub-Committee shared the recommendations to improvements to the Wisconsin State Use Program which will be shared at the upcoming GCPD Bi-Monthly Meeting on June 15, 2022.



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#### **VIII. Review 2022 GCPD Bi-Monthly Meeting Schedule**

- The Executive Committee discussed the 2022 GCPD Bi-Monthly meeting.
  - The possibility of having an August 2022 meeting in-person and ongoing having 2 meetings in-person/hybrid and the rest virtual.
  - The Executive Committee discussed continuing to have Bi-Monthly meetings instead of Quarterly meetings; and continuing to meet 9:00 A.M.- 12:00 P.M.

#### **IX. Draft June 16, 2022, GCPD Executive Committee Meeting Agenda**

- The Executive Committee drafted the June 16, 2022, Executive Committee meeting agenda.
- Draft agenda is as follows:
  - Welcome and Introductions
  - Review and Approve June 16, 2022, Executive Committee Meeting Agenda
  - Review and Approve June 9, 2022, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
  - Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities (1:10 P.M. – 1:15 P.M.)
  - Discuss Feedback from the GCPD Bi-Monthly meeting from June 15, 2022
    - Follow-ups and Action Items



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- Draft June 23, 2022, GCPD Executive Committee Meeting Agenda
- Adjourn

#### X. Adjourn

- Ramsey Lee made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom O'Connor seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 4.

**Meeting adjourned at 1:58 P.M.**