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

Wednesday, August 26, 2020
2:00 P.M. to 2:45 P.M.

APPROVED SEPTEMBER 23, 2020.

Executive Committee Action and Motion Items

A. Executive Committee Action Items

1. **Action Item:** Review and approval of Executive Committee meeting minutes for August 5, 2020 and August 12, 2020 will be added the September 2, 2020 Executive Committee meeting agenda.

B. Executive Committee Motion Items

1. **Motion Item:** Margaret Kristan made a motion to approve the August 26, 2020 Executive Committee meeting agenda as amended. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Motion Item:** Margaret Kristan made a motion for GCPD to hold on pursuing membership in Survival Coalition, stay informed on their work, and GCPD revisit this decision in six months. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Motion Item:** Pearl Fessenden made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Margaret Kristan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome and Introductions, David Morstad, Chairperson

Executive committee members present: David Morstad; Pearl Fessenden; Margaret Kristan; and Ben Barrett.

Executive committee members absent (excused*): Nancy Leipzig.

Guest: Evelyn Azbell, Member-at-large, GCPD.

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



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II. David Morstad, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 2:16 P.M.

The Executive Committee did not have quorum until 2:16 P.M. The meeting was available via phone at 1-844-708-2569 and Meeting ID: 932 9790 3018 and via [Zoom](#).

III. Review and Approve August 26, 2020 Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

- Margaret Kristan made a motion to approve the August 26, 2020 Executive Committee meeting agenda. Ben Barrett seconded the motion.
 - Discussion was had about the Executive Committee meeting agenda.
 - David Morstad stated the meeting agenda date needed to be changed to August 26, 2020.
 - Also the Executive Committee discussed the Executive Committee meeting minutes from August 5, 2020 and August 12, 2020 would need to be removed from the agenda, as Executive Committee members present did not attend those meetings and are therefore unable to approve those meeting minutes.
 - Margaret Kristan made a motion to approve the August 26, 2020 Executive Committee meeting agenda as amended. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

IV. Review and Approve of August 5, 2020 and August 12, 2020 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

- This agenda item was removed from the agenda and will be deferred until the September 2, 2020 Executive Committee meeting. See Action Item 1.

V. Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities

- No public comment was received.



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VI. Discuss Survival Coalition Membership

- The Executive Committee discussed joining Survival Coalition and whether GCPD has the capacity to be an active member.
- Margaret Kristan stated she felt this should be put on hold until GCPD establishes its purpose and direction.
- Margaret Kristan made a motion for GCPD to hold on pursuing membership in Survival Coalition, stay informed on their work, and GCPD revisit this decision in six months. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.

VII. Discuss Council and Liaison Reports

- David Morstad stated that time for reports during the bi-monthly meetings as become an issue now that GCPD is meeting virtually and the meetings are much shorter than when GCPD met in person. These reports are important but feel rushed.
- David Morstad asked the Executive Committee members how does GCPD get council and liaison content or reports related to work GCPD needs to do or is doing.
 - The Executive Committee discussed having liaisons report on how COVID-19 is affecting programs or services to people with disabilities during the pandemic.
- Pearl Fessenden stated maybe GCPD could request liaisons to record videos of their reports and send written documents and reports in advance.
 - The Executive Committee also discussed needing the reports in advance to ensure accessibility of documents for all members.
- Margaret Kristan stated that maybe the report should focus on issues GCPD would want to take action on.



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- David Morstad responded that maybe reports from Councils should include priority projects/interests and what actions would you like GCPD to take based on this information.

VIII. Discuss Follow-Up to Bi-Monthly Meeting COVID-19 Presentations and Policy Recommendations

- The Executive Committee did not get to this agenda item.

IX. Discuss Membership Recruitment and Recommendations

- The Executive Committee did not get to this agenda item.

X. Adjourn

- Pearl Fessenden made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Margaret Kristan seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 3.

Meeting adjourned at 3:04 P.M.