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

**Wednesday, February 1, 2023
11:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.**

Approved March 1, 2023.

Transportation Sub-Committee Action and Motion Items

A. Transportation Sub-Committee Action Items

1. **Action Item:** Kyle Kleist will send 8521 funding talking points to the GCPD Transportation Sub-Committee meeting.

B. Transportation Sub-Committee Motion Items

1. **Motion Item:** Julie Blasky made a motion to approve the February 1, 2023, meeting agenda. Dan Laatsch seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Motion Item:** Julie Blasky made a motion to approve the January 4, 2023, Transportation Sub-Committee meeting minutes. Dan Laatsch seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Motion Item:** Dan Laatsch made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Julie Blasky seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. Transportation Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome and Introductions

Transportation Sub-Committee members present: Rhonda Staats; Dan Laatsch; Julie Blasky; and Ramsey Lee.

Transportation Sub-Committee members absent (excused*): Ben Barrett and Dan Idzkowski.

Guests: Kyle Kleist; Center for Independent Living for Western Wisconsin; Kelly Burt, Contract Monitor for Wisconsin's Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Program (NEMT), Department of Health Services (DHS); Jonathan Liegeois, Veyo/MTM Employee; and Erick Schroeder, Veyo/MTM Employee.



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

II. Rhonda Staats, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 11:15 A.M.

The meeting was made available via phone at 1-844-708-2569 with Meeting ID: 161 514 3235 and via [Zoom](#).

III. Review and Approve February 1, 2023, Transportation Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda

- Julie Blasky made a motion to approve the February 1, 2023, meeting agenda. Dan Laatsch seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

IV. Review and Approve January 4, 2023, Transportation Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes

- Julie Blasky made a motion to approve the January 4, 2023, Transportation Sub-Committee meeting minutes. Dan Laatsch seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.

V. Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities

- No public comment received.

VI. Update on Wisconsin's Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT)

- Jonathan Liegeois reported Veyo switched the telephone system in January with minimal impact to consumers.
- Erick Schroeder shared the Veyo consumer complaint process. Erick Schroeder shared that in the summer it took on average 18 business days to resolve a consumer complaint. Now consumer complaints are resolved on average in 6 ½ business days.
- Kelly Burt shared that there is a Transportation Advisory Council (TAC) meeting on March 2, 2023. The TAC meeting scheduled has been set for the year. Regan Batterman sent a survey to gather discussion topics for these meetings.



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VII. Discuss Legislative Updates Related to Transportation Needs of People with Disabilities

- The Transportation Sub-Committee discussed legislative updates related to transportation.
 - Rhonda Staats shared she spoke to the Department of Transportation's Non-Driver Advisory Committee's Co-Chair Denise to discuss additional funding for accessible transportation programs. Denise stated that the Non-Driver Advisory Committee's work plan and funding requests are set. Denise shared the most effective way to get more funding for accessible transportation would be to contact Joint Finance Committee members in the Wisconsin State Legislature and tell individual or personal stories related to transportation access issues.
 - Kyle Kleist stated that the Wisconsin Independent Living Network was working on talking points related to 8521 transportation funding. Kyle Kleist will share these talking points with the GCPD Transportation Sub-Committee. See Action Item 1.

VIII. Draft March 1, 2023, Transportation Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda

- The Transportation Sub-Committee drafted the March Sub-Committee agenda. Meeting agenda will be:
 - Welcome and Introductions
 - Review and Approve March 1, 2023, Transportation Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda
 - Review and Approve February 1, 2023, Transportation Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes
 - Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities (11:10 A.M. – 11:15 A.M.)
 - Update on Wisconsin's Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT)



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- Discuss Legislative updates related to Transportation for People with Disabilities
 - Support and Advocate for Braided Funding for Accessible Transportation
 - Increasing Mileage Reimbursement Rates for Medical Appointments
 - Plain Language on NEMT Forms and Complaint Process
- Draft the April 5, 2023, Transportation Sub-Committee Meeting Agenda
- Adjourn

IX. Adjourn

- Dan Laatsch made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Julie Blasky seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 3.

Meeting adjourned at 11:53 A.M.