

Statutory Council on Blindness (SCOB)  
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 10, 2023

4:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

**Meeting is available via Zoom:**

<https://dhswi.zoomgov.com/j/1605014656>

**And via phone:**

Phone: (669) 254-5252

Meeting ID: 160 501 4656

**Action Items and Motion Items**

**Motion Items:**

- 1. Motion Item:** Kate Coerper called for a motion to approve the agenda for today's meeting. A motion to approve the agenda for today's meeting was made by Patty Zallar and seconded by Rhonda Staats. The motion carried.
- 2. Motion Item:** Rhonda Staats called for a motion to approve the minutes from the October executive committee meeting. The motion was seconded by Patty Zallar. No discussion. Motion passed.
- 3. Motion Item:** Kate Coerper entertained a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Rhonda Staats and seconded by Patty Zallar. Hearing no discussion, this motion passed, and the meeting adjourned at 4:40pm.

**Action Items:**

- 1. Action Item:** Ann Sievert and Amber Mullett will develop a draft February 9<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Meeting agenda with specific times for each topic and send to all council members for review.

## Meeting Minutes

### **I. Welcome and Introductions**

**Council Members Present:** Kate Coerper, Rhonda Staats, Patty Zallar, Patty Slaby, Amber Mullett.

**Council Members Absent:**

**DHS Staff Support Present:** Ann Sievert, and Kate Connell, Department of Health Services, Bureau on Aging and Disability Resources.

**Guests:**

### **II. Call Meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 4:06pm by Kate Coerper. This meeting was available via zoom link and teleconference. Kate Coerper called for a motion to approve the agenda for today's meeting. A motion to approve the agenda for today's meeting was made by Patty Zallar and seconded by Rhonda Staats. The motion carried. Rhonda Staats called for a motion to approve the minutes from the October executive committee meeting. The motion was seconded by Patty Zallar. No discussion. Motion passed.

### **III. Comment on Issues Affecting Wisconsin Residents Who Are Blind and Visually Impaired.**

No comments made.

### **IV. Council on Blindness Draft the February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Statutory Quarterly Meeting Agenda**

The council decided that that the meetings for 2023 would be based upon the four themes identified from the community conversations (i.e., Community Engagement and Connectedness, Information, Transportation and Pedestrian Safety, and Supportive environments, Systems and Programs, and Social Support) The first meeting on

February 9<sup>th</sup> will be focused on the topic of community engagement and connectedness. Amber Mullett reviewed a list of DHS staff that she connected with to be potential presenters on topics related to community engagement and connectedness. Amber Mullett reviewed the topics each presenter would discuss and presented a draft agenda for the February 9<sup>th</sup> quarterly council meeting. After some discussion council members approved the agenda. Patty Zallar commented that she thought it was a great next step following the community conversations.

Council members discussed whether to have the February 9<sup>th</sup> meeting in person, via zoom or a hybrid. After discussion it was decided the next meeting would be via zoom and potentially do a hybrid meeting in Spring. The meeting will be from 9:00 to 3:00. Ann Sievert and Amber Mullett will develop an agenda with specific times for each topic and send to all council members for review.

**V. Adjourn**

Kate Coerper entertained a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Rhonda Staats and seconded by Patty Zallar. Hearing no discussion, this motion passed, and the meeting adjourned at 4:40pm.