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Statutory Council on Blindness (SCOB) Quarterly Teleconference Meeting Minutes

June 28, 2024

9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

Quarterly meeting Action Items and Motion Items

A. Action Items

- 1. Action Item:** DHS staff support will submit the CPD Emergency Preparedness Toolkit along with format if requested.
- 2. Action Item:** DHS staff support will check on the meeting space availability at Lion's camp and draft agenda.

B. Motion Items

- 1. Motion Item:** Chuck Fehl made a motion to approve the agenda, June 28, 2024, SCOB Quarterly meeting agenda as amended. Jenny Marchewka seconded. Motion carried.
- 2. Motion Item:** Jenny Marchewka made a motion to approve the March 6, 2024, SCOB Quarterly meeting minutes. Brenda Brunet seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 3. Motion Item:** Kathi Zoern made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jenny Marchewka seconded the motion. Motion carried.



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C. Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome and introductions: Kate Coerper, Vice Chairperson.

Committee members present: Kate Coerper, Kathi Zoern, Chuck Fehl, Kerry Robinson, Brenda Brunet, Jennifer Marchewka, Kathleen Enders.

Committee members absent (Excused*): Patty Zallar and Connor Kane.

Guest Present: Nancy Leipzig, Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities (GCPD) Member-at-Large and Ramsey Lee, GCPD and Council on Physical Disabilities (CPD) Member-at-Large.

DHS staff support present: Zachary Davenport, Department of Health Services (DHS), Bureau on Aging and Disability Resources (BADR); Amber Mullet, DHS, BADR; and Ann Sievert, DHS, BADR.

American Sign Language Interpreting Services: Carly Bieri, DHS, BADR and Chantel Wiedmeyer, DHS, BADR.

II. Kate Coerper, Vice Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M.

- The Committee meeting was made available via phone at (669) 254-5252 with Meeting ID: 160 871 2373 and via [Zoom](#).

III. Review and Approve June Statutory Council on Blindness Committee Agenda

- Chuck Fehl made a motion to approve June 28, 2024, Quarterly Meeting Agenda as amended. Jenny Marchewka seconded the motion. The motion carried. Motion Item 1.



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IV. Review and Approve March Statutory Council on Blindness Committee Minutes

- Jenny Marchewka made a motion to approve the March 6, 2024 Quarterly meeting minutes. Brenda Brunet seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.

V. Public Comment on Issues Affecting Wisconsin Residents Who are Blind or Visually Impaired

- No public comment was received.

VI. Debrief ADILN conference Engage for Change Session

- Council members made some comment about ADILN and Engage for Change Session. The comments were positive regarding interaction and accommodations.

VII. Presentation by the Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities (GCPD)

- Nancy Leipzig provided an overview of GCPD. The information she shared and listed below:
 - The charge of the council.
 - List of the GCPD's committees.
 - GCPD's workplan
 - Advocacy issues that GCPD have addressed and how do they decide what advocacy issues to prioritize.
 - Example of successful advocacy.



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- Advocacy issues that GCPD is currently working on.
 - The council discussed having a member of GCPD attend the SCOB meeting to identify areas of alignment regarding the workplan.

VIII. Presentation by the Council on Physical Disabilities (CPD)

- Ramsey Lee provided information an overview of CPD. The information he shared and listed below:
 - The charge of CPD.
 - Council committee's and priority advocacy.
 - CPD's development of an Emergency Preparedness Toolkit.
- Some Council members were interested in having Emergency Preparedness Toolkit. DHS staff support will submit the CPD Emergency Preparedness Toolkit along with format with request. See Action Item 1.
- Kerry Robinson and Kathi Zoern expressed interest in getting involved with the Emergency Preparedness Subcommittee.

IX. Roles and Responsibilities of SCOB – Fall Meeting Planning

- SCOB members discussed focusing on developing a list of roles and responsibilities.
- SCOB members wanted to develop the key action steps.
- SCOB requested Amber Mullett to be a facilitator for the next meeting.

X. Member Recruitment Discussion

- Two members will be resigning or plan on stepping down.



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- One Council member's term is ending soon.
 - Ann Sievert shared with the council that Tyler Wilcox recommended a potential candidate. The candidate has submitted the letter of interest for consideration and will be sending the resume.

XI. Next Meeting Date and Agenda Item

- The Council considered having their fall meeting at Lion's camp.
- The DHS Staff will check on the meeting space availability at Lion's camp and draft an agenda. See Action Item 2.
- The meeting date for the September meeting will be decided at the next SCOB Committee meeting.

XII. Adjourn

- Kathi Zoern made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jenny Marchewka seconded the motion. Motion carried. See motion Item 3.

The meeting adjourned at 11:58 A.M