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

Thursday, November 5, 2020

1:00 P.M. to 1:45 P.M.

AMENDED AND APPROVED 11-12-2020.

Executive Committee Action and Motion Items

A. Executive Committee Action Items

1. **Action Item:** Nancy Leipzig will send a complete draft of the letter to the Governor on GCPD's Policy Recommendations by the November 12, 2020 Executive Committee meeting.
2. **Action Item:** Nancy Leipzig will send the revised GCPD Member Expectations document to the Executive Committee.

B. Executive Committee Motion Items

1. **Motion Item:** Ben Barrett made a motion to approve the November 5, 2020 Executive Committee meeting agenda. Margaret Kristan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Motion Item:** Ben Barrett made a motion to approve the October 29, 2020 Executive Committee meeting minutes as amended. Nancy Leipzig seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Motion Item:** Margaret Kristan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Nancy Leipzig seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome and Introductions, David Morstad, Chairperson

Executive committee members present: David Morstad; Margaret Kristan; Nancy Leipzig; and Ben Barrett.

Executive committee members absent (excused*): Pearl Fessenden*.



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Guest: Mark Wadium, Outagamie County Board of Supervisors.

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

II. David Morstad, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 1:04 P.M.

The meeting was available via phone at 1-844-708-2569 and Meeting ID: 945 4614 7489 and via [Zoom](#).

III. Review and Approve November 5, 2020 Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

- Ben Barrett made a motion to approve the November 5, 2020 Executive Committee meeting agenda. Margaret Kristan seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

IV. Review and Approve October 29, 2020 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

- David Morstad noted a few amendments that were needed to the October 29, 2020 Executive Committee meeting minutes:
 - For Action Items 1 and 4, the word with needs to be changed to will.4
 - For Motion Items 1, 3, and 4 Margaret's name needs to be corrected.
- Ben Barrett made a motion to approve the October 29, 2020 Executive Committee meeting minutes as amended. Nancy Leipzig seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.

V. Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities

- No public comment was received.



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VI. Discuss COVID-19 and GCPD Policy Recommendations

• ***Review and Approve Draft Letter to Governor on GCPD's Policy Recommendations***

- Nancy Leipzig reported that she did not have full draft of the letter to share with Executive Committee, but shared the outline of the letter with the Executive Committee members.
- The overall frame for the letter is to outline challenges being faced by people with disabilities as result of the pandemic and solutions to addressing these concerns. The letter includes the following topics:
 - COVID-19 testing both availability of tests and accessible test sites.
 - Vaccines (both flu and COVID-19) most vulnerable populations, caregivers, and health care professionals having access to vaccines. Plan to get vaccines to individuals who are homebound.
 - General information on COVID-19 and prevention measures not being in accessible formats (American Sign Language, screen readers, plain language) for people with disabilities. Also possible customizing information for people with Dementia similar to the recently developed Board for People with Developmental Disabilities COVID-19 toolkit.
 - Caregivers having access to face masks and flu vaccines to reduce risk of respiratory infections and COVID exposure. Possible offering hazard pay for caregivers and paid time off if they are sick.
 - No visitor policies impact on people with disabilities and access to health care.
 - Telehealth access and broadband infrastructure.



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- ***Provide Updates on Letter to Governor's Office on No Visitor Policy Letter***

- David Morstad has reached out to Fred Ludwig, Lieutenant Governor's Ex-Officio member of GCPD, to set up a meeting and discuss the policy recommendations within the letter further.

VII. Discuss Revisions to the GCPD Member Expectations Document

- *Review and Approve GCPD Member Expectations*

- David Morstad stated that some of the concerns raised with this document at the GCPD quarterly meeting may need to be addressed in GCPD's by-laws versus this GCPD Member Expectations document.
- The Executive Committee discussed several changes to the document including:
 - Adding the expectation the GCPD members have an email for communications.
 - Adding language from the by-laws on how GCPD members request reasonable accommodations.
 - Adding language that GCPD members cannot be implying they are representing GCPD on personal social media accounts.
- Nancy Leipzig will send the revised GCPD Member Expectations document to the Executive Committee. See Action Item 2.
- The revised GCPD Member Expectations document will be shared at GCPD's December Bi-Monthly meeting. See Action Item 3.

VIII. Adjourn

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

Meeting adjourned at 2:20 P.M.