



Corrected at May 10, 2018 Council Meeting
Illinois Council on Developmental Disabilities
Council Meeting
Thursday, March 8, 2018
10:00 AM
Springfield Office
830 South Spring Street
Springfield, IL 62704

Members Present

Bill Bogdan, Chairperson
Diana Braun
Adam Cooper
Susan Fonfa
Deb Goodman
Brad Guidi
JJ Hanley
Abbey Heins
Susan O'Neal for Zena Naiditch
Nathan Joerndt
Kit O. Brien-Cota for Greg Fenton
Jose Ovalle
Randall Owens for Tamar Heller
Zoubida Pasha
Barb Pritchard
Carole Rosen
Vincent Smith
Randy Staton
Jeff Stauter
Julie Stover
Quinetta Wade
Dianna Wilson
Dan Winters

Staff Present

Kimberly Mercer-Schleider, Director
Mariel Hamer
Margie Harkness
Vanessa Morris

Guest

Shannon Dolman
Sandy Ginther
Allie Gunderson-Donnelly
Victoria Smith

AGENDA ITEM: Call to Order

The Council meeting of the Illinois Council on Developmental Disabilities was held on March 8, 2018. Bill Bogdan, Chairperson, presiding and Kimberly Mercer-Schleider, Director, present. Chairperson Bogdan called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM.

AGENDA ITEM: 1st Consent Agenda

A. Motion: Approve January 11, 2018 Council Meeting Minutes with the following corrections:

Chairperson's Report: Cathy Christensen['s] term on the Council has expired as well and a plaque will be mailed thanking her for the years she served on the Council from 2011-2017.

Agency Report: HFS submitted their ~~Adult DD~~ [Waiver Services] and it has been approved by Central Management Services.

Accept November 1, 2017 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Accept December 28, 2017 Special Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Made By: Adam Cooper

Second: Nathan Joerdnt

Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM: Chairperson's Report

Chairperson Bogdan thanked all the women on International Women's Day.

The Chairperson thanked Vincent Smith for assisting as the Acting Chairperson for the March Executive Committee meeting.

Chairperson Bogdan reported on the Council membership. The Council continues to work on Council appointments.

The Chairperson, Director Mercer-Schleider and Associate Director Hamer will all attend the 2018 Disability Policy Seminar in Washington DC on April 23 - 25, 2018.

AGENDA ITEM: Director's Report

The Director reported on the Financial Report. The Council is on track with spending.

The Director reported on the Investment update. The Council is on track with expending funds.

The proposed Federal budget includes a reduction to cut Councils' funding. The National Association of Councils on Developmental Disabilities (NACDD) is working to ensure that Councils' receive level funding.

Mariel Hamer reported on the newly formatted legislative reported titled "Policy Insider" that is provided in the supplemental folder. The Policy Insider list the various legislative bills that the Council is following.

AGENDA ITEM: Presentation – Southern Illinois Project

The Director introduced Sue Walter. Sue Walter presented a culminated report on the various areas in which the Southern Illinois region is lacking in services provided to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Staff will email the finalized report to Council members.

The Director reported that the next steps for implementing changes in the Southern Illinois region is for the Council to assist with investments in that area. A review team is needed for the development of the Call for Investment. Council members interested should contact the Director or Associate Director of

Program and Policy to be on the review team. Council members, JJ Hanley, Dan Winters, Deb Goodman, Julie Stover, and Diana Braun have expressed their interest in serving on the review team. The Director reported that the goal is to develop a Call for Investment to be presented at the May 2018 Council meeting.

AGENDA ITEM: Funding Decision

Adam Cooper and Nathan Joerdnt both left the Council meeting prior to the Illinois Self-Advocacy Alliance funding decision discussion. Abbey Heins and Deb Goodman reported for the Health and Individual and Family Advocacy Committee on the Illinois Self-Advocacy Alliance funding decision.

Motion: To invest \$796,440 to the Illinois Self-Advocacy Alliance (The Alliance) over the next 3 years.

Made By: Vincent Smith

Second: Barb Pritchard

Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Adam Cooper and Nathan Joerdnt returned to the meeting after the discussion and vote was completed for this funding decision.

Margie Harkness reported on the New Approaches for Breaking Down Barriers funding decision. Ms. Harkness provided background information on the project.

Motion: To invest \$183,665 to Good Shepherd Center for Exceptional Children over the next 2 years.

Made By: Deb Goodman

Second: Diana Braun

Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM: Old Business

The Chairperson reported on the Conflict of Interest Policy. A copy of the policy was provided in the supplemental folder for those members who have not completed the policy. Council members should complete and return to staff.

Maribel Hamer reported on the January Council Activity compiled feedback results.

AGENDA ITEM: New Business

The Chairperson reported on the Statement of Economic Interest. Council members each year are required to complete the Statement of Economic Interest. The form must be completed and returned to Janinna Hendricks as she will submit the completed form to the Secretary of State's Office by May 1, 2018.

The Director reported that the Council will have a September retreat. The dates are not finalized but the retreat will be held at the Marriott in Bloomington.

AGENDA ITEM: Agency Reports

Susan Fonfa, Health and Family Services (HFS), provided the Council with an update that she will be retiring on March 30, 2018.

Sue O'Neal for Equip for Equality (EFE), provided an update for EFE. EFE continues to work on ensuring that the polling locations are accessible for the upcoming March primary and November elections.

Kit O'Brien-Cota, Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD), provided the Council with an update that Director Greg Fenton is retiring on May 31, 2018.

Quinetta Wade, Department of Rehabilitation Services (DRS), provided the Council with an update for DRS. DRS will be collaborating with DDD to assist in fulfilling an interagency agreement for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) legislation requirement. The outcome of the collaboration is to create and implement new procedures that will assist both agencies in serving their mutual clients. The first meeting is scheduled for March 8th following the Council meeting.

Randall Owen, UIC Institute on Disabilities and Human Development (IDHD) provided the Council with an update. IDHD received a cut in their budget. The Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (LEND) graduate program was cut due to the budget cuts.

AGENDA ITEM: Announcements

JJ Hanley, Director of the A Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act announced that the ABLE Act continues to grow, and she is available if Council members need additional information.

Director Mercer-Schleider announced that the Council has 2 vacant program staff positions. The staff position is for Chicago or Springfield.

Brad Guidi announced that Camp Big Sky is expanding as they now have an accessible kitchen and indoor toilets have all been installed. Also, he announced that his daughter Dominique celebrated her 36th birthday.

Chairperson Bogdan announced that the Secretary of State's Office has issued 60,000 parking placards since October 2017. The Para-Olympics start on March 9th/10th and the Olympics will be broadcast on NBC sports.

AGENDA ITEM: Adjourn

Motion: Move to adjourn at 12:14 PM

Made By: Nathan Joerdnt

Second: Deb Goodman

Vote: Motion carried unanimously
