

GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL
EDUCATION

Developmental Disabilities Committee Meeting

LOCATION

Governor's Council Conference Room
3601 C Street
Anchorage, Alaska

Teleconference

Meeting Date

July 2, 2014
1:00 p.m.

Attendees:

Art Delaune – Chair
Dave Fleurant
Jeanne Gerhardt-Cyrus
Alex Gimarc
Susan Kaplan
Kaleene Lamb
Sharon Miranda
Mark Romick

Staff:

Patrick Reinhart

Minutes prepared by: Jeannette Rice, Peninsula Reporting

Call to Order –1:04 p.m.
Roll Call

WELCOME FROM THE CHAIR
INTRODUCTIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND GOOD NEWS

Patrick Reinhart stated that Carrie Predeger is now working for the Trust, and the Governor's Council is interviewing for a replacement for her.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Patrick Reinhart noted that with many board members absent, the AADD report, I/DD report, and Key Coalition and Peer Power reports would be removed from the agenda.

Susan Kaplan **MOVED** to approve the agenda as amended. The motion **PASSED**.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Dave Fleurant **MOVED** to approve the minutes from the June 4th, 2014 meeting. The motion **PASSED**.

CORRESPONDENCE

Patrick Reinhart stated that the Council's letter on the proposed HCBW regulations was submitted by the June 30th deadline and was attached to today's meeting packet.

REPORTS

Chair's Report

Art Delaune reported that the Executive Committee had met face to face last week to approve the budget for the upcoming year. They also talked about the problems with the MMIS system and the committees' work plans.

Council and Executive Committee Update

Art Delaune gave updates on the Council and Executive Committee under his Chair's Report.

FASD Work Group

Jeanne Gerhardt-Cyrus stated that the FASD work group had met the day before the DD Committee meeting in a smaller group, and discussed FASD screening tools. Jeanne also reported that she and Eric Boyer had presented Into Action in Anchorage on June 2nd and 3rd, and Eliza Jamison of the Alaska Youth and Family Network is restarting the youth SAFA group, which will be meeting July 10th at 1:00.

Jeanne Gerhardt-Cyrus mentioned that the Anchorage School District has posted a video on YouTube called "8 Magic Keys" with tips for working with people with FASD. Jeanne reminded the committee that she is leaving care coordination to become a STAR coordinator. Finally, Jeanne informed the group that the UAA Center for Excellence and the Stone Soup Group are trying to form an informal co-op for families coping with FASD.

Jeanne Gerhardt Cyrus further mentioned that at the last SESA meeting on the 5th and 6th of June, they had formed a work group on FASD and were developing a survey for teachers and administrators about what kinds of needs they see for helping students with FASD.

Housing

Mark Romick reported that the memorandum of understanding between DHSS and AHFC that he mentioned at the last meeting would be up for discussion at AHFC's July 23rd board meeting. Also, Mark mentioned that the Trust and the Alaska Coalition on Housing and Homelessness (ACHH) have been funding a project to raise awareness of homelessness and the lack of affordable housing in Alaska. KTOO and the 360 North website will feature stories and information on these topics, and will televise and webstream the late September meeting of the ACHH.

Rural Issues and Telepractice

Patrick Reinhart noted that all of the Governor's Council committees are considering rural issues and telepractice in their work plans.

ASPEN

Patrick Reinhart reported that the ASPEN partners all met recently in the community that was selected for this year's project, and they are going to start developing a partnership agreement modeled after the experiences with the three other communities they've previously worked with. Lanny Mommsen is the contact person for those meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

I/DD Registration Review (Waitlist Work Group)

The waitlist work group is a long-term item on the DD Committee's agenda. Patrick Reinhart noted that Teresa and Maureen have been trying to arrange a meeting time.

FY 15 Work Plan Review

Patrick Reinhart explained that since the committee didn't finish going through the work plan at the June meeting, he had filled the rest of it in based on the work they had done. Committee members agreed that it seemed to reflect what they had talked about and what they have done in the past, and further discussion was not necessary.

NEW BUSINESS

Upcoming Meetings and Conferences

Patrick Reinhart noted one meeting that was not on the agenda, a livable wage work group that has met one time. It is comprised of the Trust, the university, Key Coalition, and AADD, and now the Governor's Council has also been invited to join in.

- APSE Conference, Long Beach California, July 1 – 3: Teresa Holt, Lucy Odden, and Rich Sanders attended this meeting, as well as people from the Trust and AADD.
- NACDD/ITACC conference, Washington, D.C., July 7 – 10: Patrick, Teresa, and Rich will be attending.

Time and Date of Next Meeting

The next DD Committee meeting will be on September 3rd from 1 to 3 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:04 p.m.