

Delaware Developmental Disabilities Council (DDC)
Adult Issues Committee
Minutes of Meeting
Friday, June 30, 2017 * 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM
DDDS Fox Run, 2nd Floor Conference Room, 2540 Wrangle Hill Road, Bear, DE

Members present: Terri Hancharick, Committee Chair, Parent Advocate; **Alvin Emory**, Self-Advocate; **Carol Barnett**, Division of Services for Aging Adults and Physical Disabilities (DSAAPD); **Bernadette DeAngelis**, Advocate

Teleconference (cannot vote): Karen Gallagher, Self-Advocate, Committee Vice-Chair; **Diann Jones**, Advocate

Members absent: **Vivian Turner**, CERTS; **Laura Strmel**, St. John's Community Services (SJCS); **HarrietAnn Litwin**, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR); **Derrick George**, Advocate; **Barbara Monaghan**, Self-Advocate; **Bill Monaghan**, Self-Advocate; **Gary Mears**, Parent Advocate

Guests Present: Andrew Braune, Danio Diary

Staff present: Kristin Harvey, Social Services Administrator, Delaware Developmental Disabilities Council (DDC)

I. Call to Order: The meeting could not officially be called to order due to the lack of a quorum.

II. Approval of Minutes: The committee could not vote to approve the May 19, 2017 minutes due to the lack of a quorum.

III. Approval of Agenda: The committee could not vote to approve the June 30, 2017 agenda due to the lack of a quorum. The committee agreed to hold items requiring a vote until their July meeting or the next time a quorum is present. Since the committee members present were already committed to meeting from 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM, the members present agreed to share informational items to pass the time.

IV. -Chair's Report: Terri stated that the bill being referred to as the "Death with Dignity" bill was being heard in Dover at Legislative Hall. Terri asked those present to please contact their legislator if they are opposed to the "Death with Dignity" bill. She reminded the committee members that the Legislative Session will end June 30th. It is expected that the legislature will vote on an approved State Budget Bill by the close of the session, as well as a number of other bills that could impact our constituency.

V. - Staff Report: Kristin gave a recap of the Junior Partners in Policymaking Program which took place from June 18-23 at Delaware State University. There were 16 participants this year, with the majority being male. Kristin shared that the majority of participants were individuals with disabilities (as is required), but that there were also some siblings present. The week-long program was a huge hit. Kristin also shared that she and DDC Director Pat Maichle, along with DDC members Alvin Emory, Katie Macklin and Bill and Barb Monaghan would be traveling to Salt Lake City, Utah in July for the NACDD Conference. Kristin is scheduled to present about the Junior Partners in Policymaking Program. Pat will present on the high risk of developing Alzheimer's disease for individuals who have Down syndrome.

VI. Current Business:

Tabled due to lack of quorum.

VII. New Business:

The committee discussed what should be on the upcoming July and August agendas. Due to staff travel, the committee discussed moving their August meeting from August 18th to August 25th. Kristin will find a location for the August 25th meeting and relay that information to the committee. Kristin stated that she will prepare the agendas for July and August and have them posted on the State Public meeting calendar.