

Council Meeting Minutes

October 21, 2022

Present: Anna Lansky, Jasper Smith, Chris Knowles, Daniel Alrick, Julie Chick, Pennie Hartley, Laura Estreich, Felicity Woods, Kristen, Rosa Ochoa, Eddie Plourde, Mak Beatty, Em Braman, Cheryl Cisneros, Jake Cornett, Che Walker, Sally Simich, Lindsay Stephens, Kelly McCauley, Daniel Alrick, Paulina Larenas

Staff: Emilie Wylde Turner, Ryley Newport, Leslie Sutton

Interpreters: Joy Christian, Isabel

9:00 Call to order

Thank you to Lilia Teninty for her time as the Office of Developmental Disability Services Director (ODDS). Anna Lansky is taking over as Interim DD Director. Anna was the Deputy Director of ODDS and a Council member prior to this change. She will be leaving the Council to take her new role. She won't have capacity to be a Council member any longer. Anna thanked the Council for the work it has done the past few years and said she looks forward to continuing that work in her new role.

- Leslie thanked Lilia for ushering thousands of kids into the DD system with the K Plan, Employment First, and SB 1606 (allowing people with disabilities to have support while they are in the hospital) partnership
- Council introduced themselves and said why they are thankful for DD Services
- Lilia thanked the Council for its power in advocacy. People listen when the council speaks. She gave the example of how she could say something, then Leslie would say it and people would listen. She also mentioned the Governor's respect of the Council and of Leslie.

Council member orientation:

- All Council members did the training which consisted of going through the Council member handbook as a group, then small group exercises to dig deeper in material
- Leslie reviewed the handbook with the Council
- The Council did a Find It activity to reiterate its knowledge of the handbook

Kathryn Weit Foundation Partnership

- Jessie Weit from the Kathryn Weit Foundation introduced the new Kathryn Weit Foundation Fellow, Heidi Robinson. Heidi will be working on housing initiatives for the Foundation in partnership with the Council.
- The Council is leveraging funds to increase capacity of this housing work by creating a contract with Alison McIntosh for strategic technical assistance on this project.

Easy Voter Guide Presentation from Disability Rights Oregon.

- Walked through different sections of what to expect in the Easy Voter Guide this year.

Business meeting:

- Minutes approval Eddie Plourde moves to approve the August 2022 minutes. Nicola Spears Seconds. 2 abstain, 17 approve, 0 opposed
- Executive Committee Actions:
 - Creating Opportunities contract for meeting planning support. Eddie Plourde moves to accept. Nicola Spears seconds. 15 approve, 0 opposed, 2 abstain
 - Adding travel to the Oregon Self Advocacy Coalition contract. As things “open up,” OSAC needs to travel more to accomplish its deliverables. Mak Beatty moves to accept, Rosa Ochoa seconds. 0 opposed 2 abstain, 17 approved.
 - Easy Voter Guide investment: Eddie Plourde moves, Daniel Alrick seconds. 17 approved
 - Housing Technical assistance (mentioned in the Kathryn Weit Foundation discussion): Eddie Plourde move to accept, Felicity Woods seconds. 0 opposed, 1 abstain, 16 approved

Rochford Creative: Presentation of a graphic portrayal of the Five Year Plan.

- Discussion of clarifications we would like to see in our Website including how we are different from the Office of Developmental Disability Services. This often causes confusion.
- What are we excited about this work?
 - Advocacy groups about different topics
 - Excited to be a self advocate and helping Oregon and the council move in a way that we can be movers and shakers
 - Self advocacy and engaging diverse voices
 - Goal around disasters
 - Bigger conversations about things that may not be directly DD services related but still impact people with DD like housing and employment.
 - Growing leadership with families
 - Intersection of mental health and DD services

3:30 Adjourn

