

Mayor's Advisory Committee for People with Disabilities Agenda

Meeting Date: Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Start Time: 12 p.m.

End Time: 1 p.m.

Location: City Hall 2nd Floor Conference Room

Purpose: Regular scheduled meeting

Attendees: Eric Vetter, Tyler Goldade, Becca Wells, Cindy Kirschman, Gwen Fischbach, Allison Daschel, , Steven Richmond, Doris Stusiak, Laura Stoltenberg, Nancy Kelsey, Deb Kambel, Mendy Jones

Absent: Kristi Myhre, Sarah Dorich, Kristin Fasteneau, Dalita Meyer, Krista Bau

Excused: Cody Roggatz, Dawn Brush, Ardell Fiedler, Steve Kelsey, Michael Gast, Tom Wanttie,

1. Standing Items

- 1.1 Any additions to agenda?
- 1.2 Review and approve minutes from April 2018 Meeting: Did not have any minutes to review tabled until next month.
- 1.3 Review and approve Treasurer's report from April 2018 Meeting: \$12.00 for the left over balance from the ADA bracelets was subtracted from the BAD budget.
\$3984.75- Total committee balance, \$291.50- BAD balance, \$896.33- ADA balance and \$2796.92- General account balance. Motion to approve Treasurers Report was motioned by Nancy Kelsey and Second by Deb Kambel, report was approved.

2. Committee Reports

- 2.1 **BAD – Recap:** There were no extra bills this year. We had 390 students and it went rather smoothly this year. Cindy wanted to give a big thanks to VR as we would not have been able to hold the day without all of their support as we had several volunteers from there. It was discussed that we need to do a little better at getting information out to the entire committee about the event and volunteers being needed. Was suggested that next year try asking for volunteers on Facebook.
- 2.2 **Partners in Community Pride :** The Better Block Project went well, concerts, vendors, and the brews for adults. Overall was a good event.
- 2.3 **Transportation – RL –** we have three new part time drivers hired. Dispatcher position is closing May 16 and we will begin setting up interviews with potential new hires.
- 2.4 **Education Enhancement Award:** This has been sent out to the colleges. Doris has had 6-7 students request this and one has already finished theirs, the deadline for this is in August. Doris would like to have a discussion in the future about increasing the award back to \$500 again. Also that it might be better to be sending out the information about the award in March or April instead as more people will be able to learn about it as they do not check their emails as often in May or after.
- 2.5 **NDEAM:** The event this year is set for October 10th, it will be partnered with a conference that is already being held in town. They have the speaker Spencer Beach doing his talk on turning demons into diamonds. The subcommittee will meet next week.
- 2.6 **ADA Anniversary Celebration :** There will be a meeting on this soon, it will be July 27th partnered with Dan Cleberg and the Red Rooster. Same types of things as last year, they will be doing a wheelchair event. Also the subcommittee is asking for giveaways to be done at the event, if you have anything please get it to Eric, Krista or Tyler.

3. Old Business

- 3.1 **Shirts:** Shirts were talked about so that we have something for our events that we put on to help identify the members of the committee easier. Eric mentioned the possibility of polos or vests as well. It was mentioned that Krista was looking into prices.

4. New Business

- 4.1 **Matthew Perrault – Wheelchair Curling – Learn to Curl:** Matthew Perrault , Aberdeen Curling, talked about a Learn to Curl event, along with wheelchair curling, that will occur October 2018. Mayor's

Advisory Committee will promote this event and some members may participate. Matthew will stay in contact. Also, it was discussed they may be able to be a part of our ADA Celebration in July.

- 4.2 **Email from Carol Dormady regarding accessibility to restaurants around town:** Tom forwarded an email from an Aberdeen citizen regarding the need for automatic door openers at all businesses. Mayor Levensen had addressed this in an article in the American News. Laura will send the committee's response to Tom and Mayor Levensen for them to reply back to this individual. Eric and Doris also led a discussion of possibly grants to assist businesses to have automatic door openers, even though it may not be required by the ADA.
- 4.3 **Does the City offer Interpreting services for our meetings?:** Lance Sigestad is planning to start attending monthly meetings in June. Interpreting services are needed so inquiry will be made as to who is responsible – the committee or city of Aberdeen.
- 4.4 **Andrea Overman:** She is leaving the committee as she is moving out of state.
- 4.5 **SDSBVI fundraiser:** SDBVI Foundation is having a raffle ticket sale this year, rather than a Dinner in the Dark event. Tickets can be purchased from Doris Stusiak.
- 4.6 **Donation:** Eric made a motion to give \$100 to FallOut Creative Community, Dan Cleberg, for their participating and assistance with barrier Awareness Day. The motion was seconded by Allison, All in favor.

5. Review Upcoming Dates –

NAMI Family Support Group – 2nd Monday of month, 6:30-7:30, Fireside Room, Bethlehem Lutheran Church

NAMI Aberdeen Affiliate Meeting – 3rd Monday of month, 5:30 – 7:00, Location TBA

NAMI Connections Peer Support Group – 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month, 6:00-7:00, ARCC

NAMI Night – 3rd Thursday of month, 5:30 -8:30, Red Rooster Coffee House

6. Ending Items – Adjourn

7. Next Meeting – June 19, 2018