

Mayor's Advisory Committee for People with Disabilities Minutes

Meeting Date: Tuesday, June 16, 2020

Start Time: 12 p.m.

End Time: 1 p.m.

Location: Virtual via Zoom

Purpose: Regular scheduled meeting

Present: Allison Schmitt, Nancy Kelsey, Cindy Kirschman, Eric Vetter, Lance Sigdestad, Tina Kenser, Mendy Jones, Nichole Nelson, Doris Stusiak

1. Standing Items

- 1.1 Any additions to agenda? None
- 1.2 Review and approve minutes from May 2020 Meeting
Cindy Kirschman moved to approve May 2020 minutes with second by Nancy Kelsey. Minutes approved by vote.
- 1.3 Review and approve Treasurer's report for May 2020
There have been no new expenditures. One outstanding bill is for the plant ordered for Tyler Goldade's funeral. Nancy Kelsey reported that she has not been reimbursed for her BAD expenditures. Allison will check into that. Motion by Eric Vetter to approve the report with second coming from Mendy Jones. Report approved by vote.
- 1.4 Excused absence: Laura Goldade, Megan Neal

2. Committee Reports

- 2.1 **BAD** – Becca Wells, Allison Schmitt, Doris Stusiak, Nancy Kelsey, Gwyn Fischbach
Doris Stusiak reported that she visited with Lincoln Elementary's principal last week and that we should be reminded that, should we want to hold a BAD in the fall for the then sixth graders, those emails would need to go to the middle schools. No decisions were made at this time.
- 2.2 **Enhance Aberdeen** – Eric Vetter
Since this Chamber committee now meets only quarterly, we will add its committee report to the agenda only when Eric Vetter notifies the Committee Chair.
- 2.3 **Transportation** – Tom Wanttie = No report
- 2.4 **Education Enhancement Award** – Mendy Jones
We have had no applications to date with the deadline coming July 1. We could decide to extend the deadline, but no decision was made at this time. We will discuss again at the July meeting should we receive no applications.
- 2.5 **NDEAM** – Laura Stoltenburg
Laura Stoltenburg gave her update to Doris Stusiak since she wasn't able to attend this meeting. The NDEAM committee is still planning for an in-person training but will also provide a backup webinar of the course depending upon the COVID situation. Cindy Kirschman reported that the speaker has been on KELO news a few times in recent weeks.
- 2.6 **ADA Anniversary Celebration** – Eric Vetter
The committee has decided to go ahead with a non-face-to-face event as in past years. Possible activities this year may include: having various individuals including Mayor Schaunaman use a wheelchair for 24 hours and then do a writeup of their experiences with the writeups being shared on social media and in the newspaper (Eric has emailed the American News requesting that a reporter be assigned to cover this activity); having an individual wear the sight goggles from SDSBVI for 24 hours and then do a writeup; put up two (2) billboards featuring the 30th anniversary of the ADA; put PSAs out on social media; provide free beverages at the Red Rooster for up to 100 people on Sunday, July 26, to anyone who mentions the ADA when ordering; a Netflix watch party of a movie relating to someone with a disability. Eric Vetter moved with seconds by Tina Kenser and Cindy Kirschman to add an additional \$900 to the celebration budget to be used if/as needed. Motion approved by vote.

3. Old Business

3.1 City Promotion Request (Doris Stusiak)

Doris Stusiak reported that the Promotion Request in the amount of \$1000 was submitted in late May. The reduced request this year was due to both the impact of the COVID pandemic on the city's income as well as having a balance left from last year. We have heard nothing so far on the city's response to the request.

3.2 Banners for Tabling – What Next?

With Tyler Goldade's passing and Dalita Meyer's moving, the committee will need to decide what to do with its plan to develop and purchase marketing materials. Doris Stusiak will contact Tyler's mom to see if she has access to the files he was working on for table tents. Doris will report back at the July meeting.

4. New Business

4.1 New Secretary Needed (Dalita Meyer)

With Dalita Meyer's move out of Aberdeen, the committee is in need of a secretary to fill in until new officers are elected and take over in January 2021. Nichole Nelson volunteered to serve as interim.

4.2 Education Enhancement Award Proposal (Doris Stusiak)

Doris Stusiak suggested a short list of possibilities relating to the award this year as well as going forward. Suggestions included: should we have no applicants, naming Tyler Goldade as this year's award recipient with the cash award going to whatever charity/organization Tyler's parents choose; naming this award after Tyler Goldade. Tina Kenser suggested that we could consider giving more than one award this year since our cash balance could support that move. No decisions were made at this time. We will discuss again at the July meeting. Doris Stusiak will email all committee members regarding our discussion today so that all are prepared to discuss in July.

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, Virtual Wellness Activity

NAMI Connections Peer Support Group – Every Thursday, 12 – 1 p.m.; Virtual

NAMI Night – One (1) Saturday monthly, TBD

ADA 30th Anniversary of Signing – July 26, 2020

6. Ending Items – Adjourn Motion to adjourn by Eric Vetter with second by Mendy Jones. Motion approved by vote.

7. Next Meeting – July 21, 2020 (Virtual via Zoom)