LCPD minutes  
December 4, 2019

Start time 12:30 pm

Utah Division of Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

Present:
- Phone: Jan Ferre, Jennifer Miller-Smith, Matthew Wappett, Teresa Larsen, Thomas Cantrell, Julia Pearce, Kim Smith
- In Person: Anita Bennett, Janet Wade, Jeannie Pettit, Pam Bennett, Angie Pinna, Sarah Brenna

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| Welcome introductions              | Matt Wappett moved to approve the minutes  
Jeannie Pettit seconded the motion  
All in Favor  
Minutes approved.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |           |
| Approval of Minutes                | Several agencies were representatives at the meeting to speak about their agencies budget priorities:  
**Pam Bennett**, Adult MH Program Administrator II presented an informative power-point (attached). Representative Eliason is proposing a continuum of mental health services focusing on: prevention, early intervention and stabilization with temporary hospitalization available. Please review the power-point for details of the budget priorities.  
**Angie Pinna**, Director of the Division of Services for People with Disabilities was not able to provide detailed information at this point. The |           |
Division is dealing with the mandated additional needs that require funding. There will be more information once the Governor’s Budget is out for public review.

**Sarah Brenna**, Director, Utah State Office of Rehabilitation state that the office was not to have any funding requests. Funding requests for funds for youth support programs and assistive technology may be coming through the Independent Living Centers.

Cheryl Smith submitted information to the LCPD on HB 484 sponsored by Rep, Craig Hall to create a fund for severely affected adults with autism to help pay for a quality day program that will encompass vocational and pre-vocational activities, life skills, and community integration. There will be no fiscal note this year.

Jennifer Miller-Smith commented that bills are being presented on the web site organized by committee.

Matt Wappett reported that The CPD, DLC, DD Council, SILC, DSPD, DSAMH, and UPC are working with Rep. Potter and Rep. Hollins to run a resolution focused on encouraging health and social service agencies to develop culturally and linguistically competent services for marginalized populations in Utah.

**Bylaws**

A vote was taken to approve the amended bylaws:

- Jan Ferre presented the motion to approve the bylaws
- Anita Bennett seconded
- All in favor
- Motion approved.

**Legislative Reception at the Capitol**

Date: January 30

The Center for People with Disabilities is holding a Disability Advocacy Day at the Capitol on January 30th from 12:00 – 3:30 pm. The plan is that this will naturally roll right into the LCPD reception.

Research funding requests from Independent Living Centers.
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<th>Jan Ferre gave an overview of the tasks that need to be done to prepare for the LCPD reception. In the past Kris Fawson and Joyce Dolcourt have played a leading role in the organization and success of the reception in the past.</th>
<th>LCPD leadership team to meet with Kris Fawson to review organization of the reception and assign tasks.</th>
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<td><strong>Remembrance</strong></td>
<td>Jan Ferre gave a loving tribute to Leslie Gertsch. Leslie was a strong support to the LCPD taking on tasks that needed to be done such as completing the yearly state requirements for non-profits to receive donations. A passage from her obituary shows the incredible service she gave to Utah: She gave several decades of her life to organizations serving and advocating for people with disabilities. Among many others, these included the Utah Council of the Blind, the UCB Credit Union, the Legislative Coalition for People with Disabilities, the Division of Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired Advisory Council, the Institutional Council for the Utah State Schools for the Deaf and Blind, and the Utah Statewide Independent Living Council. Her major focus was always on independence for people with disabilities. She made those passions her life’s work and was recently presented with the inaugural “Leslie H. Gertsch Award for Lifelong Leadership and Service”, which was created in her honor.</td>
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<td><strong>January Meeting</strong></td>
<td>The next meeting will be on January 2nd 12:30 at the Division of Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired. Call in number: 18778207831 Participant code 7200387 Leah Voorhies from the State Board of Education will be present at the meeting to present budget priorities.</td>
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