



Full Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday August 19, 2020

9:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Location: Remotely Via Zoom

- Present:** Alicia Eakins, Alison (Ali) Thompson, Angela (Angie) Moss, Cami Renfrow, Christine Owen, Dave Bukovinsky (new member), David Monroe, Dawn Russell (new member), Dina Johnson, Jodie Ryan (new member), Joe Morrone, Kara Harvey (new member- CDHS employee), Katie Oliver, Lisa Franklin, Lucinda Rowe (new member), Mariah Gillaspie, Megan Greene (new member- Voc Rehab state employee), Mily Segura, Ron Hutter (new member), Sami Peterson (new member- parent/guardian/ or immediate family member), Tara Entwistle
- Absent:** Bonnie Silva, Joseph Shippley
- Guests:** Mary Russel,
- Staff:** Joelle Brouner, Bob Lawhead, Mackenzie Helton, Vanessa Hernandez, Tina Trammer

1. Angie called the meeting to order at 9:32 am.
2. Overview of the agenda.
 - Meeting Minutes:
 - Alicia made a motion to approve minutes from June 2020. Christine seconded. Membership approved.
3. Introductions made of new members made.
4. Committee Work:
 - Council members are required to serve on one of the following committees:
 - Planning and Grants: Goal is to decide types of projects the Council will want to fund. Next meeting: September 14th from 1 pm until 3 pm.
 - Legislative Public Policy: Committee reviews federal and state policy to determine the best bills for Council to support and contact legislators. During session the committee meets twice a month and off session the committee meets on the third Monday of the month from 10 am until 12 pm. Next meeting September 21st from 10 am until 12 pm.
 - Membership Work Group: Started as an adhoc group and now going to become an official committee through the bylaws. Help welcome new members and plan orientations, help plan farewells for outgoing members.
 - Ask that members decide within the next week to sign up for a committee by August 26th. Google doc shared with Council members today during meeting.
5. Current Issues: Bob
 - Letter to the governor around surveillance testing.
 - Spread has been most significant in group homes, nursing homes, etc..
 - Retainer payments (payments approved by CMS and then come down to the state through Health Care Public Financing) ended. The retainer payments were being paid when people were not using the services.
 - Council crafted a letter and brought on about two dozen additional signers. Have not heard back on the letter from the governors office.
 - Also numerous Action Alerts sent through our social media and website.
 - Liability protection: real problem with people with disabilities.

6. Voting Items:

1. George Floyd Statement that was emailed on June 19th:
 - Ali made a motion to ratify this statement. Dave seconded. Membership approved.
2. Letter to Governor:
 - Christine made a motion to ratify this vote on the letter sent to governor Polis on day programs. Joe seconded. Membership approved.
3. Council Meeting Dates for 2021:
 - Vote is to ask that meetings be moved to quarterly effective 2021. This is based on the ITACC recommendation. Christine made a motion to discuss the voting option. Jodi seconded.
 - i. Lisa has strong concerns based on Zoom fatigue with long meetings and the disbursement of decision making and power of the executive committee over the entire Council. Given the current situation, what are other Councils doing now? Encourages the Council to push back and not adopt the quarterly meetings.
 - ii. Angie: The executive committee will need to come back to the Council with a more detailed plan on how to make this change.
 - iii. Joelle: Based on the federal fiscal year we follow, the Council will need to have a vote by September 30th.
 - Alicia made a motion to table this vote item for a future meeting to allow time for the executive committee to further develop a better plan and have Joelle reach out to ITACC to have some questions answered. David seconded. Cami and Dina- nah. Membership approved.
4. Conflict of Interest Draft Policy:
 - David made a motion to table this and have it reworked then bring back to the full Council for discussion and vote. Cami seconded. Membership approved.
5. Should it be the policy of the Colorado Developmental Disabilities Council to limit the indirect (administrative) cost any grantee (sub-recipient of Council funds) can charge to a grant?
 - Clarity is needed
 - Ron made a motion to approve. Christine seconded. Membership approved.
6. Budget: Mackenzie
 - Salaries based on last year's salaries and benefits for employees.
 - Going to change how the allocations are changed. 70% of funding goes towards program split and 30% goes towards administration.
 - If adjustments are needed, will go to Joelle and Mackenzie for updates first.
 - Dave made a motion to accept the proposed budget knowing that changes can be made if needed. Cami seconded. Membership approved the 2021 budget.
7. Association of Community Living:
 - Federal piece that oversees the DD Council to make sure they are operating correctly. The Council's Designated State Agency (DSA) is the Department of Human Services; grandfathered in with the agency. There are major conflicts of interest and potentially a lot of work to help move to another DSA. Joelle and Angie will send the letter from the feds to the full Council for review.
8. Reminder: Members, please complete the meeting assessment document which can be found here:
<https://forms.gle/yFiDYnHmUxeWNPPy6>
9. Public Comment: None at this time.
10. Meeting adjourned at 12:38.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: Wednesday September 23, 2020 9:30 am until 1:00 P.M.

LOCATION: Remotely

Motions Made:

1. August minutes: Alicia made a motion to approve minutes from June 2020. Christine seconded. Membership approved. approved.
2. George Floyd Statement that was emailed on June 19th: Ali made a motion to ratify this statement. Dave seconded. Membership approved.
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7. 2021 Budget: Dave made a motion to accept the proposed budget knowing that changes can be made if needed. Cami seconded. Membership approved the 2021 budget.

Action Items:

1. Council members need to pick a committee to be part of within the next week and complete the Google document with your choice.
2. Table Meeting Dates Voting Item for next Council meeting.
3. Table Conflict of Interest Draft Policy.
4. Lisa asked that the conflict of interest letter be sent to the full Council.
 - ***Addition from September Council meeting: The ACL letter was not sent to membership based on an executive committee decision to not send.***