Full Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday August 21, 2019
12:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Location: Colorado Talking Book Library
180 Sheridan Blvd.
Denver, CO 80226

Present: Alicia Eakins, Alison (Ali) Thompson, Angela Moss, Cami Renfrow, Christine Owen, Joe Maronne, Joseph Shippley, Katie Oliver, Kristen Erby, Lisa Franklin, Mariah Gillaspie, Mily Segura, Nicolette Anderson, Paulette Steinhoff, Peggy Spaulding, Tara Entwistle

Absent: Bruce Cline, Deborah Marks-Williams, Patricia Henke, , Sandra Friedman, Willie Wade,

Guests: N/A

Staff: Joelle Brouner, Mackenzie Helton, Bob Lawhead, Susan Fager, Vanessa Hernandez, Tina Trammer

1. Alicia called the meeting to order at 12:03.
2. Introductions made by all members and staff.
3. Consent agenda:
   - July Meeting Minutes: Joe made moved to approve. Peggy seconded. Membership approved.
4. Reports from standing committee:
   - Paulette: Supported Decision-making Education Resource was not passed. Comments were received from a Council member—she recommends that this document be tabled until a future meeting.
   - Kristen and Joe shared updates from the August Legislative and Public Policy Committee meeting.
   - Member Engagement: Exploring possibility of becoming a formal committee. Looking at outreach and recruitment.
5. Mission and Vision: Presentation by Joe and Tara:
   - Working on a vision and mission statement for the Council.
   - Goals for presentation are to dive into Mission and Vision statements.
   - The mission statement drives the Five Year Plan, which in turn drives the work of the Council.
     - Vision Statement: vision is aspirational, looks forward, and supports the creation of a mental vision of the future.
     - Shared examples from Habitat for Humanity.
   - Difference between vision and mission: vision is aspirational and not as specific. It is an ideal place to heads towards.
   - The mission states shared purpose: helps Council members understand and causes chills and excitement.
Proposed Mission (states our purpose): members supported to participate in exploration and discussion of a new mission statement. Word ‘integration’ should be ‘inclusion’.

To advocate for system change by promoting meaningful person-centered participation, self-determination, and inclusion for all individuals with developmental disabilities.

Paulette made a motion to approve as written. Ali seconded. No additional discussion. Membership unanimously approved as Council Mission Statement.

6. Vision Statement: Information discussion included the following comments:

- Draft examples: A Colorado where persons with IDD have equal opportunities.
- Meaningful, inclusive lives with Developmental Disabilities
- A Colorado where all people with Developmental Disabilities have equity in opportunity for full inclusion and participation.
- Power, stellar branding and website with resources.
- People empowered and engaged, Access full engagement, Colorado Community, and their families
- All persons with Developmental Disabilities have equity in opportunity to access engagement in the Colorado community.
- “A state where the word inclusions does not exist”.
- “A state where people give a shit”.
- “A state where people stop telling me what to do and I get to make my own decisions”.

7. Five Year Plan:

- Draft document handed out details what the Five Year Plan is, which guides the work the Council does.
- Getting ready for the new Five Yeah Plan October 1, 2021. The lead person responsible for writing the plan is Sue but every member will have a role. Council approves the plan, monitors the plan, revises, and then implements.
- Until the bylaws have been approved, the Planning and Grants committee cannot be separated.
- Survey monkey- Alicia asked to narrow it down to five simple questions to share with outside groups and bring back to the membership when members are at other meetings impacting the DD Community.

8. Survey Monkey Results from Executive Committee regarding meeting dates and upcoming planning:

- The results were mixed.
- Joe opened up for discussion:
  - Deliberation: Joelle is concerned that so much work is being done through email.
- Results (meeting proposal):
  - 6 1/2 meetings with 2 day retreat
  - 10 1/2 meetings with 2 day retreat
  - 6 full meetings and 2 full day retreat
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- No weekends or evenings;
- Childcare is important;
- One option that seemed to have majority of support from members was to not meet in June, July, or December; that the meetings be six hours long; and occur either between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. or between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

9. Joelle shared ITTAC and federal personnel will be visiting in September.

10. Meeting adjourned at 4:02 P.M.
Next Council Meeting: September 25, 2019

Location: Community First Foundation

Motions Made:
1. Consent agenda approved for July meeting minutes.

Action Items:
1. September meeting- add Vision statement discussion to agenda. May also have to add Values.
2. Tara will start a Google document so membership can add thoughts and comment.
3. Alicia will reach out to the members not present to discuss future meeting dates.