



Colorado Developmental Disabilities Council
Council Meeting Minutes
January 25, 2017



ISSUE:

1. Welcome/ Mission Moment
2. Minutes of November 16, 2016
3. By-Laws
4. ED Report
5. Planning & Grants Report
6. Legislative & Public Policy Update
7. Adjournment

DISCUSSION:

1. Council convened at 12:10 pm
2. Mission Moment: **Mellisa Umphenour** called the meeting to order and identified that there was a Quorum at the start of the meeting.
3. ED Report presented by Marcia Tewell discussing new Policy Adviser had been offered the position but had not been finalized at time of Council meeting. Informed Council that a Positive Behavior Support conference is being held March 1-4, 2017, and all Council Members are eligible to attend.
4. Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve minutes given by **Melissa Mannix**. The motion received a 2nd from **Lisa Franklin**. The Sept 28, 2016 minutes were approved on a voice vote.
5. **Kiki McGough** provided a presentation on Positive Behavior Supports, including handouts for attendees. Presentation provided examples from career as a teacher and personal examples from dealing with her own family.
6. **Melissa Mannix** provided updates on current grantee programs. Director Tewell informed Council members that they are encouraged to attend any of the funded grant programs to obtain information about how the programs are being implemented and understanding the objective of the grants currently underway.
7. **Ed George** informed attendees that with the new Policy Adviser coming on board, that the Public Policy Committee would be meeting starting Feb. 6, 2017.
8. **Barb Ramsey** informed council of changes to case management rules interpretation. Conflict free case management under CRS 27-10.5-. Identified that people receiving services will not have to change providers or case management services, as long as those parties are not connected/affiliated which could be deemed a conflict of interest.
9. Open discussion ran long limiting time to present video on Positive Behavior Supports. Video was emailed to all Council members for viewing.
10. Information about Council members traveling to attend the 2017 Disability Policy Seminar in Washington, D.C. from March 19-23, 2017. Next Council meeting is scheduled for March 22, 2017, when Marcia and up to 6 Council members will be in Washington which will necessitate either changing the date for the March 2017 Council meeting or canceling the March Council meeting. Email to be sent out to Council to obtain clarification on best date and time to obtain the greatest attendance for Council meeting.
11. Adjournment at 4:03 PM.

**NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: March 15, 2017;
Ability Connection Colorado, 801 Yosemite St Denver, CO 80230**

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Those in attendance: Senator Irene Aguilar, Anuska Ullal, Claire Dickson, Mellisa Umphenour, Jessica Howard, Lisa Franklin, Shannon Secrest, Ed George, Melissa Mannix, Willie Wade, Harold Wright, Sarah Metsch, Deon Gillespie, Abraham de Herrera, Barb Ramsey, Sandra Friedman (phone), Jeanie Benfield (phone)

Those absent: Jeanette Cordova (LOA), Gina Herrera, Sarita Reddy, Patricia Henke, Rob Buzogany, Corey Mineo

Staff Present: Mackenzie Helton, Marcia Tewell, Seth Downs

Guests: Kiki McGough