



Legislative & Public Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

July 20, 2020 -- 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Zoom Only (no in-person meeting)

MEETING AGENDA:

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| 1. Convene, establish quorum, introductions of LPPC members and members of the public | Ali |
| 2. Review/modify today's proposed agenda | LPPC members |
| 3. Old Business: | |
| a. Review/approve June 15th meeting minutes | Ali |
| b. CDDC Committee attendance policy/procedure/bylaw | LPPC members |
| 4. New Business: | |
| a. Status of next COVID-19 federal legislation – action alert | Bob |
| b. Council request for day service surveillance testing | Bob |
| c. Ideas on LPP Committee future agenda items | Ali |
| d. Additional items? | LPPC members |
| 5. Set date for next meeting | LPPC members |
| 6. Decision Items | Ali & Bob |
| 7. Public Comment | Public |
| 8. Adjourn | |

Next Meeting: August 17th 10 am until 12 pm via Zoom

Discussion:

1. Ali called the meeting to order at 10:02 am.
2. Updates to agenda: None at this time.
3. Council bylaws or policy on Council committee attendance:
 - Lisa suggested committee members make calls to add the personal touch and see if members are interested and share how their attendance is vital and needed.
4. June Meeting Minutes:
 - Gerri made a motion to approve. Christine seconded. Lisa abstained. Membership approved.
5. Concerned that the Memo number 70 was sent:
 - This explained what was needed Surveillance Testing is providing testing for the Corona Virus at regular intervals. In order for it to be effective the goal is to do the testing at the earliest point the infection is happening to stop the spread. The results would need to be provided within 48 hours.
 - Concerns: If people do not use services their system capacity will shrink and fewer people will have access to day services because of not being able to sustain services through this period. But HCPF has put in tele options and these are not being taken away.
 - Second concern: From families- if their children will contract the virus especially since many of the individuals in the community have underlying health issues and are more at risk. This could then facilitate the spread to their families.
 - Bob and Joelle drafted a letter over the weekend to send to the Congressional District. Retainer payments would allow the staff to be paid Advocating for retainer payments but if they are going to open needs surveillance testing. If testing happens should increase the presence of the National Guard and Public Health Core
 - Risk is that since the state does not have any more money the suggestions must be budget friendly.
 - The Council support what the ARC mentioned and have given this some thought and are not in support with the reopening in eight weeks because do not foresee the virus being gone.
 - Lisa suggests supporting the message of the retainer payments and going through the Governor's office , Would hold off on sending letter to ensure the information is specific to the audience.
 - Support CCDC write own state response with specificity to the governor Invite colleagues to opportunity Committee recommend the Council send the letter to support the initiative around the retainer payments. Another would be to make this a broader advocacy effort.
6. Surveillance Testing:
 - Committee agrees that the entire Council will be notified about this via email as soon as possible and ratify at the August Council meeting.
 - Have executive committee approve the draft and then send to the entire Council for approval. Bob will then share with advocate providers. We believe there can be creative solutions to surveillance including....and list suggestions mentioned in the draft letter.
 - Committee membership is all in approval to send letter.
 - Ali and Joelle will work on letter today and send to the executive committee by tomorrow afternoon.

7. Federal Legislation Action Alert: Dedicated home and services funding are on the optional slate of services. Bob is creating an action alert that is a combination of all these

1. Special Education funding: Many students with IEP who are being left out of the loop as far as accomplishing their goals. Expansion of Special Education funding nationally to help students and special educators to make sure they have the chance to provide services and IEP.
2. PPE is running low again as it was in March and April. 9. Meeting adjourned at 11:20.

8. LPP Future Agenda Items: Ali asked the committee to bring ideas in the future when session is not meeting.

9. Next Meeting Date: August 17th 10 am until 12 pm.

10. Public Comment: None at this time.

11. Meeting adjourned at 12:01.

Motions:

1. Gerri made a motion to approve June meeting minutes. Christine seconded. Lisa abstained. Membership approved.

Actions:

1. Ali and Joelle will work on letter today and send to the executive committee by tomorrow afternoon.
2. Vanessa will send Ali and Lisa contact information for Council members who are supposed to be members.
3. Bob will take suggestions to Linda and Ellen and get an idea of how Alliance is working towards the provider information and report back to the committee.

Attendance:

Council Committee Members Present: Ali Thompson, Cami Renfrow, Christine Owen, Lisa Franklin

Council Committee Members Absent: Joseph Morrone (leave)

Community Committee Members Present: Michael Hoover (disability rights representative and past Colorado Developmental Disabilities Council member), Gerrie Frohne (family advocate).

Guests: Donna Downing (past-president of the National Autism Committee)

Staff Present: Vanessa Hernandez, Robert Lawhead, Joelle Brouner