

Membership Committee Winter Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 26, 2012

West Conference Room, Joe R. Williams Building
700 W. State Street, Boise, Idaho 83702

MEMBERS PRESENT

Toni Belknap-Brinegar, Shiloh Blackburn, Jane Donnellan, Jo Lynn Garrison, Debra Parsons, TeRonda Robinson, Colleen Sisk

MEMBERS ABSENT

Justin Caggiano

STAFF PRESENT

Tracy Warren, Shane Carlton

CALL TO ORDER

Debra Parsons called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

- Welcome and Introductions
- Perfection of Agenda

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SALN has been awarded a contract from the Council to run a statewide self-advocacy organization. The contract will allow SALN to function as a standalone entity instead of a Council project. SALN will be looking for office space in Boise so that they can be more involved in legislative activities during the next session. The organization will be looking for a part-time coordinator/bookkeeper. The contract should be signed today.

NACDD is seeking input on a new training being developed for Council Chairs.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 2012 MEETING MINUTES

Committee reviewed the minutes from the January 2012 meeting.

Shiloh Blackburn moved to approve the minutes from the January 2012 Membership Committee meeting; Toni Belknap-Brinegar seconded. Motion carried.

MEMBER APPLICATIONS FOR 2012

- Review member applications/resignations
 - Committee members reviewed Council member applications for reappointment and the form that shows which members terms expire this year. No new Council applications were received during the recruitment period. With James Steed's resignation from the Council, we have an opening for a self-advocate.
- Determine recommendations to Governor
 - **TeRonda Robinson moved to approve the reappointment of all Council members; Jo Lynn Garrison seconded. Motion carried.**
 - Applications will be sent to the Governor's Office for appointment.
- Discuss process for Chair nomination/elections
 - Debra will announce that we are seeking nominations for Council Chair during the full Council meeting this afternoon. Nomination forms will need to be turned in by 8:00 a.m. tomorrow morning. Only parents and self-advocates can be nominated. The election for Council Chair will be held Friday, April 27, 2012 during full Council meeting. If there is only one nomination, then the candidate can be elected Chair by unanimous consent. The nomination would then go to the Governor's Office for appointment

MEMBER TRAINING

- Review training on member responsibilities
 - Reviewed the Council Member Responsibilities handout to be used during training the Council member training this afternoon.
- The Membership Committee reviewed the Council Member Bio form that will be handed out to the full Council. The information gathered from these forms will be put into a booklet for new and existing members.
 - The committee recommended adding a section to the bio form for Council members to describe a disability related topic or area that they know a great deal about.
 - Committee members discussed having future dinners and social activities as a way for Council members to get to know each other. Ideas about making optional Thursday evening

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Council dinners accessible, affordable, and encouraging more members to participate.

- Discuss future training topics and other training opportunities
 - Training members on how to approach and talk to community leaders and media outlets.
 - Ritchy met with the Mayor of Nampa and may be willing to discuss how he was able to get a meeting.

MEETING EVALUATIONS

- Committee reviewed member meeting evaluations from January
- Discuss possible changes to meeting process
 - Committee discussed revisiting the buddy system to pair up new and veteran members and to explain the issues/service systems to Council members.

COUNCIL ANNUAL SELF EVALUATION

- Revisit date for self-evaluation, discuss possible formats
 - Watch for emails leading up to July meeting discussing format and content of the Council member self-evaluation.
 - The full Council evaluation will happen during the fall meeting.
 - During the July meeting, the committee will look at the content of the Council assessment. In July, we will need to decide if we want members to fill out the assessment separately or if we all want to complete it together.

WRAP UP

- Review action items
- Future agenda items
 - Council self-assessment

ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.