



CONNECTICUT FAMILY SUPPORT COUNCIL June 14, 2012 Meeting Minutes

Meeting Location: Office of Protection and Advocacy, Hartford

In attendance:

Lisa Sheppard, *Co-Chair*, Marie Bennett, Mona Tremblay, Miriam Martinez, Jennifer Carroll, Karen Hlavac, Robyn Trowbridge, *Co-Chair*, Linda Mizzi, Sharon Dexler, Sara Lourie, Terry Cote (phone)

Cathy Adamczyk – Visitor – DD Council

Call to Order: 10:15 a.m. by Robyn Trowbridge, *Co-Chair*

Open for Public Comment: 10:16 a.m.

One member of the public was present. Cathy Adamczyk provided update about the DD Council. Another year of partners -- DD Network funding -- Council of Developmental Disabilities, Center for Excellence, Office of Protection and Advocacy.

Grants available through the Council. Discussed how the proposals will be reviewed. RFP – for housing – specific RFPs. Health – broader initiative – all will be reviewed. Housing is \$50,000. Outcome measures are an important part of this. Mona Tremblay expressed an area of need is housing for individuals with wheelchairs. Discussion occurred. Home Depot has a community program that can avail families the materials for ramps.

Part B: Money -- Independent Living Center Technology Loan Program. Linda Mizzi will get information to Marie to include in the meeting minutes.

Mona Tremblay – incentive for landlords (by legislation) to have apartments become barrier free – universal design.

Closed to the Public: 10:40 a.m.

Partners in Policy Making course was described. Last one was with legislators, Self advocates or parents – application for the training (next class).

Review of Minutes from May 10, 2012 Meeting:

Several corrections were made: Motion by Sara Lourie to accept minutes with corrections. Seconded by Jennifer Carroll. Abstained: Mona, Lisa, Sharon, Marie. All in favor.

By-Laws:

Discussion about attendance.

Chair recognized the Public – Cathy Adamczyk. Discussed that might be considered as an “excused” absence.

Meeting Agenda and Minutes:

- 2nd Thursday at Office of Protection and Advocacy
- No meeting in August
- September meeting at Camp Harkness

Overall attendance discussed.

Adding to the minutes: Excused, unexcused

Sara will be making the changes on the documents for the By-Laws and sending out to members. Any further discussion. Resend the changes, provide 30 day notice.

September 13, 2012 – Annual Meeting – Final comment on By-Laws. Robyn – update on Dr. Sugai to attend the annual meeting.

Membership – discuss at July meeting.

Nominating Committee:

Proposed slate of officers: Lisa Sheppard, Robyn Trowbridge and Marie Bennett. 30 day votes. Nominees from the floor in July.

(Autism) Medicaid Forum –100 enrolled in Waiver at the end of 5 years.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:01 p.m.

Next Meeting: July 12, 2012 at the Office of Protection and Advocacy.

Minutes recorded by Marie Bennett, Secretary