

# OREGON DISABILITIES COMMISSION- EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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Monday • May 18, 2009 • 9:00 A.M. – 11:00 P.M.

Conference Room 162 • DHS Building • 500 Summer Street NE Salem, Oregon 97301

## **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Janet Campbell

Bill Lynch

## **MEMBERS EXCUSED:**

Marcie Ingledue

Ruth McEwen

Tina Treasure

## **STAFF PRESENT:**

Max Brown, Advocacy Coordinator

Kelsi Eisele, Administrative Staff

## **AGENDA ITEMS:**

### **CALL ALL TO ORDER**

- Introductions
- Review and Approval of Agenda
- Review and Approval of Minutes
- Announcements

### **REVIEW OF TRACKED BILLS**

- Bill Status Updates
- Upcoming Hearings

### **MEMBERSHIP**

### **EPD SUBCOMMITTEE**

### **PLANNING FOR MEGA CONFERENCE MEETING**

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

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Bill Lynch called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

### **Introductions**

Commission members and staff introduced themselves.

### **Review and Approval of Agenda**

Bill Lynch and Jan Campbell reviewed and approved the agenda without a quorum.

### **Review and Approval of Minutes**

Bill Lynch and Jan Campbell reviewed and approved the minutes without a quorum.

### **Announcements**

- Bill Lynch discussed Governor Ted Kulongoski's address to the City Club of Portland last Friday afternoon. Part of the Governor's speech was a recommendation that all advocacy commissions be suspended. He listed the Oregon Commission for the Blind as an example, and it may include the Oregon Disabilities Commission.

**Action Item:** Bill Lynch will set up meeting with Dawn Bonder and seek clarification as to what will be happening to ODC after hearing the Governor's address last Friday. Max will send Bill a text of the speech that is online.

Bill Lynch discussed action items from April's meeting.

## **REVIEW OF BILLS TRACKED BY COMMISSION**

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### **Bill Status Updates**

Bill Lynch discussed bills the Commission is still tracking, primarily focusing on priority 1 bills.

### **Upcoming hearings**

Bill Lynch discussed the upcoming hearings:

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- SB 874A- Hearing on Tuesday at 1 p.m. Bill Lynch will be available to present if no one else is available.
- SB 702- Hearing on Wednesday at 1 p.m. Not sure if ODC will testify or not.

**Action Item:** Max Brown will help Bill with testimony for SB 874A based off of SB 874A fact sheet.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

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Bill Lynch discussed attendance at the full Commission meetings. There has been no communication between the Commission and Kedma Ough and Bill discussed how to address her absences. Bill also discussed what is considered to be an excused absence. If a member needs to take a leave, the Commission will work with them, but there needs to be that communication in order to code it as excused.

**Action Item:** Max Brown will draft an email letter to Kedma Ough or call her to discuss her absence and the need for her to step down if she cannot be on the Commission. If Kedma resigns, Max will forward this information to the Governor's Executive office for their records. Max will forward to Nancy Goss-Duran and approach the State Rehabilitation Council for another candidate for the Commission. Bill also requested that Max keep the attendance sheet, and have a code reference in the header or footer of the document. Coded as - X= present, E=excused absence, and blank = unexcused absence.

**Action Item:** Max Brown will ask Tina Treasure to receive official word if Maratha Simpson will be a representative for the State Independent Living Council (SILC). Max confirmed that the Commission updated its policy and procedures document in March to allow for a group to keep an outgoing member as a Commissioner until the end of his or her term.

## **EPD SUBCOMMITTEE**

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Max Brown reported on the last EPD meeting. Max is looking at scheduling the next meeting for the first part of June. Max will notify the Commission once the date is set.

## **PLANNING FOR MEGA CONFERENCE MEETING**

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Max Brown gave an update on the MEGA Conference. Max gave Marcie Ingledue the ODC logo for the website. Bill Lynch would like to have a few copies of the bills ODC is tracking, bills pending and bills that have passed. Bill discussed that members should go to their association first to ask for reimbursements for the conference. Jan Campbell discussed ODC donating a gift basket to the conference but understands there is no money to be spent at this time. Max Brown reported that staff will make sure ODC members will have some type of nametag to differentiate themselves from others at the ODC conference.

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held June 15th.

**Action Item:** Max Brown will check with Marcie Ingledue on an alternate format, such as saving materials on a thumb drive, for others to view documents at the conference.

**Action Item:** Max Brown will send out an email to all commissioners with a reminder of the date, time and place. Max will also ask to see who will be attending the ODC meeting or if they are attending the rest of the conference. Bill Lynch asked Max to also include that if their agency is unable to reimburse for travel to the conference that ODC will do its best to assist, as with any other meeting.

**Action Item:** Max Brown will request the loop system for the conference.

**Action Items:** Max Brown will have 100 ODC brochures available for the conference.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 9:53 a.m.