

OREGON DISABILITIES COMMISSION

Monday • October 20, 2008 • 9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

Conference Room 280 • DHS Building • 500 Summer Street NE Salem, Oregon 97301

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Janet Campbell

Bill Lynch

Tina Treasure

Marcie Ingledue

Ruth McEwen

STAFF PRESENT:

Max Brown, Advocacy Coordinator

Kelsi Eisele, Administrative Staff

AGENDA ITEMS:

CALL TO ORDER

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

AGENDA FOR NOVEMBER COMMISSION MEETING

- Items for the November 6th Meeting

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

- Review and Revise Current Draft

DISCUSSION OF COMMISSION'S ROLE DURING SESSION

OTHER BUSINESS

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CALL TO ORDER

Bill Lynch called the meeting to order at 9:04A.M.

Introductions

Executive committee members and staff introduced themselves.

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Review and Approval of Agenda

Bill Lynch would like to add to the agenda the list of potential reduction options for 2009-11.

Members reviewed and approved agenda as corrected.

Motion: Jan Campbell moved to approve the agenda as corrected. Tina Treasure seconded the motion.

Vote: 4-0-0-1

Yeas: Campbell, Lynch, McEwen, Treasure

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Excused: Ingledue

Motion carried.

Review of Minutes

No minutes to approve at this time.

Updates/Announcements

No announcements at this time.

AGENDA FOR NOVEMBER COMMISSION MEETING

Items for the November 6th Meeting

The commission discussed items for the November ODC agenda. Max Brown recapped on the ODC September meeting where the committee voted on their top five issues.

- EPD /Employment
- Transportation/SB716
- ADA
- Community Mental Health
- Protective Services

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Max suggested gathering materials and people to speak on EPD and how ODC will fulfill the statutory role. Ruth McEwen would like discussion on budget cuts and on the process ODC will use to decide how it will communicate its interests (e.g., in writing or in person) when ODC is for or against bills. Tina Treasure would like discussion on the Commission's role during the session and to identify who will be on our legislative committee so we will know when we have a quorum. Tina also suggested having Sara Kendall share how cuts directly and indirectly affect the grant she administers. Bill Lynch suggested inviting Tim Baxter to share his opinions and legal information with the commission. Jan Campbell would like discussion on designating person that will communicate with press on issues. In the bylaws no one speaks on behalf of the commission without permission from the commission except the chair and his designee. Jan also suggested the commission ratify their policy and procedures for the November meeting.

Bill would like to add an hour to the November meeting so there is enough time to discuss these items. The meeting will be held from 1 to 4PM.

Action Item: Max Brown and Bill Lynch will work on a draft agenda for the November.

POTENTIAL REDUCTION OPTIONS 2009-11 AGENCY REQUEST BUDGET

Tina Treasure discussed In-Home Care Program from the handout on page 11 item number 55. Tina would like this explained to the commission. Bill Lynch questioned if anyone considered the potential impact on how this reduction will affect other programs and if there is any real reduction.

Action Item: Bill Lynch would like Max Brown to find a resource on the issues that Tina has raised and identify the reductions real impact on people's lives.

Action Item: Bill Lynch asked Max Brown to invite division administrators to educate the commission on the reductions and to inform the Commission when it advises the Department, the Legislature, and the Governor on disability matters.

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The following budget reduction item ODC Executive would like to address:

#1 HS-DMAP	#29 HS-DMAP	#66 SPD
#10 All but ASD	#30 HS-DMAP	#67 SPD
#15 HS-DMAP	#33 SPD	#68 SPD
#16 SPD	#40 SPD	#72 HS-DMAP
#17 HS-DMAP	#46 SPD	#80 AMH
#23 SPD	#53 SPD	#81 All but ASD
#24 HS-DAMP	#55 SPD	#82 SPD
#26 HS-DMAP	#64 SPD	#83 AMH

Action Item: Bill Lynch asked Max Brown to send out a chart with selected reductions and have commission rank them in order of importance.

Action Item: Tina Treasure would like to give the administrators 15 minutes to explain the reductions and will get back to Bill and Max on her progress.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Review and Revise Current Draft

The policies and operating procedures manual was reviewed. Bill Lynch read over the policy headings and discussed how ODC organizes itself and suggested adding a flow chart to the document. Ruth McEwen suggested adding a definition page.

Bill Lynch suggested deleting #11 on page 3. Under the recruiting section, Ruth suggested that #5 should say that a letter is going to be sent regardless of whether an applicant is recommended or not recommended to the Governor for appointment.

Bill asked for all executive members to submit grammar changes to Max Brown via email.

Action Item: Ruth McEwen is going to work on a flow chart on how ODC works with the help of Max Brown. Ruth will send Max the information and he will originate the chart for the November meeting.

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DISCUSSION OF COMMISSION'S ROLE DURING SESSION

Max Brown discussed the organizational structure and commission's role during session. Bill Lynch proposed that the executive committee be the core group for the session and make the legislation discussion the first item on the agenda at every executive meeting. Ruth expressed concerns about not creating another committee to take the lead on legislative issues.

Max discussed his role with SPD and how he tracks bills during the Legislation session. Max offered to notify the commission when a bill needs ODC's attention. Ruth McEwen said our role will be easier if we work jointly with others who are collaborating on bills. Tina Treasure suggested a strategy for collaboration: send an email to other groups stating ODC's position on a bill and request a notification by the end of the day if others are working on the same issue. ODC could also be educated on legislative issues by other groups that are in "the know" - which could change give ODC reason to change its position. Depending on the issue, it is helpful when ODC can go in with other groups to testify on a panel.

Action Item: Max will email the proposal to the executive committee to fine-tune the idea of the executive committee serving as the core group on legislation issues; all other ODC members will be invited to participate in the legislative portion of executive committee meetings. This information will be shared with the full commission at the November meeting.

OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS

No other commission business at this time.

Meeting Adjourned: 11:08 A.M.