

OREGON DISABILITIES COMMISSION

Thursday • May 1, 2008 • 1:00 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.

Conference Room 160 • DHS Building • 500 Summer Street NE Salem, Oregon 97301

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Frank Armstrong
Janet Campbell
Judith Cunio
Cindy Helvington

Marcie Ingledue
Bill Lynch
Ruth McEwen
Kedma Ough

Martha Simpson
Frank Synoground
Tina Treasure
Bill Wellard

STAFF PRESENT:

Dawn Rustrum, Advocacy Coordinator
Max Brown, Advocacy Coordinator
Becky Murphy, Administrative Staff

AGENDA ITEMS:

Call to Order

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

CURRENT ISSUES

- State Hospital Replacement Project – Linda Hammond, Administrator

COMMISSION BUSINESS

- Election of Officers
- ODC Planning Day/September Meeting
- Bylaws
- Member Job Description
- Membership Review Process
- Logo, Brochure, Website

LIAISON REPORTS

- Capitol Restoration Project – Ruth McEwen
- SB 716 (City of Portland Steering Committee) – Jan Campbell
- Transportation Budget Note Steering Committee – Frank Armstrong

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- Medicaid Long Term Care Quality and Reimbursement Advisory Council
– Tina Treasure
- Building Codes Structures Board Representation – Bill Wellard
- Home Care Commission - Vacant

PUBLIC COMMENT

CALL TO ORDER

Bill Lynch called the meeting to order.

Introductions

Commission members, staff, and guests introduced themselves.

Review and Approval of Agenda

Members reviewed the agenda. Judy had an issue to be included under Announcements.

By consensus and without objection, the agenda was approved.

Vote: 12-0-0-0

Yeas: Armstrong, Campbell, Cunio, Helvington, Ingledue, Lynch, McEwen, Ough, Simpson, Synoground, Treasure, Wellard

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Excused: 0

Motion carried.

Review and Approval of Minutes

Judith Cunio moved that the minutes be approved as written. Frank Synoground seconded the motion.

Vote: 12-0-0-0

Yeas: Armstrong, Campbell, Cunio, Helvington, Ingledue, Lynch, McEwen, Ough, Simpson, Synoground, Treasure, Wellard

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Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Excused: 0

Motion carried.

Action Item: It was suggested for future minutes to use the last name initial for both Bills and Franks.

Updates/Announcements

- Judy routed a DVD from the Secretary of State's Office on voter accessible formatting, assisting voters with disabilities and alternate format voters. Judy was on the committee.
- Bill L. reported he would be making a presentation about ODC at the Advocacy Coalition on Monday. He encouraged commissioners to inform him of anything they wanted him to highlight.
- Cathy Cooper and Debbie Bowers shared with the Commission the staffing changes made and the division of work for the Legislative and Advocacy Unit, which supports two commissions. The coordinator for the Governor's Commission on Senior Services (GCSS) is leaving state service. Dawn will be assigned to staff GCSS and Max Brown will now staff ODC. Both will assist with legislative issues. Debbie mentioned that GCSS was interested in staff's position descriptions and wondered if ODC would also like a copy. Becky will continue to do the business functions for the unit and commissions. The unit is planning to hire a new support staff person to assist the coordinators in preparation of meetings and taking minutes.

CURRENT ISSUES: STATE HOSPITAL REPLACEMENT PROJECT – LINDA HAMMOND, ADMINISTRATOR

For more than 120 years the Oregon State Hospital has been Oregon's primary mental health facility. In 2003 Governor Kulongoski established a mental health task force to identify problems in Oregon's mental health system and recommend solutions. That inquiry and those that followed found that many aspects of the current mental health care system in Oregon, especially many buildings on the Oregon State Hospital campus, are badly outdated. The Oregon State Hospital replacement project is an effort to revitalize and modernize Oregon's total system

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of mental health care. The project encompasses new, facilities, treatment methods, staff, technology and administrative techniques, all designed to make Oregon's system among the best in the nation.

The plan requires moving patients out of the state's outdated and structurally unsound hospitals into new facilities conducive to modern treatment and patient recovery. It also requires developing more and better community programs that will keep many people from being hospitalized and provide more appropriate transition programs for those who do require hospitalization.

Linda briefly reported on the phases of the project, the investment in prevention and community care, concerns of advocates, concerns of neighborhoods close to each facility, and the Salem campus now considered a historic site (national level). She also discussed the process and decision of sites to build in Salem and Junction City, national and international studies and models reviewed, and sensitivity to accessible issues.

Linda reported she was willing to come back to give updates. She will send an electronic copy of a footprint map of the project.

Action Item: Staff will forward Linda's electronic information when received.

Contact information:

Website: <http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/HRP/>

E-mail: osh.project@state.or.us

Phone: 503-508-5743

CALL TO ORDER (CONTINUED)

Updates/Announcements

- Max Brown introduced himself and briefly gave his background information.
- Jan mentioned the reason for the voter changes is because of an Oregon Advocacy Center (OAC) lawsuit.
- Bill L. suggested that ODC submit a formal request on the resolution of People with Physical Disabilities Advisory Committee (PDAC). Discussion

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included a question of PDAC's charge to SPD, and that ODC did not want to lose Ruth and Jan as ODC members.

Motion: Tina Treasure moved that ODC send a formal request to SPD for resolution on PDAC. If PDAC is eliminated, clarification on how this would affect ODC's duties. Jan Campbell seconded the motion.

Vote: 12-0-0-0

Yeas: Armstrong, Campbell, Cunio, Helvington, Ingledue, Lynch, McEwen, Ough, Simpson, Synoground, Treasure, Wellard

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Excused: 0

Motion carried.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

Election of Officers and Executive Committee Members

Bill questioned whether the Executive Committee should have more than one representative of an entity. Jan brought up about consumers versus representatives. Tina agreed but felt there should be a balance of constituency, consumer, and cross-disabilities.

On the slate of candidates submitted prior to this meeting were Bill Lynch, Chair, and Jan Campbell. Executive Committee member. Ruth was nominated from the floor for Vice-Chair, and Marcie was nominated from the floor a position on the Executive Committee.

Motion: Frank Armstrong moved to approve the slate of officers and executive committee as listed. Judith Cunio seconded the motion.

Vote: 12-0-0-0

Yeas: Armstrong, Campbell, Cunio, Helvington, Ingledue, Lynch, McEwen, Ough, Simpson, Synoground, Treasure, Wellard

Nays: 0

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Abstentions: 0

Excused: 0

Motion carried.

Planning Day/September Meeting

Commissioners discussed the need for a strategic planning day. Individuals and groups could be invited to present possible issues and priorities in July. Other priority ideas could come from DHS budget hearings.

By consensus and without objection, staff was asked to reschedule September's meeting for a full day for planning.

Vote: 12-0-0-0

Yeas: Armstrong, Campbell, Cunio, Helvington, Ingledue, Lynch, McEwen, Ough, Simpson, Synoground, Treasure, Wellard

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Excused: 0

Motion carried.

Member Job Description

The second and last sentence will be revised.

Motion: Jan Campbell moved to accept the discussed changes. Marcie Ingledue seconded the motion.

Vote: 12-0-0-0

Yeas: Armstrong, Campbell, Cunio, Helvington, Ingledue, Lynch, McEwen, Ough, Simpson, Synoground, Treasure, Wellard

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Excused: 0

Motion carried.

Membership Review Process

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Bill L. reported on the ad hoc committee who looked at the membership review process. A handout was distributed which mapped out the process. Discussion included: the statute, questionnaire, if a disability, references, and list of desired attributes. As soon as staff receives an application, the Executive Committee would be the committee to meet to recommend and respond to applications.

By consensus and without objection, the membership review process was approved with added discussion.

Vote: 12-0-0-0

Yeas: Armstrong, Campbell, Cunio, Helvington, Ingledue, Lynch, McEwen, Ough, Simpson, Synoground, Treasure, Wellard

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Excused: 0

Motion carried.

Dawn pointed out that at the last meeting, the Executive Committee charge was considered very general. There was discussion that changes would need to be made to the Bylaws and/or the Procedures Manual.

Logo, Brochure, Website

Logo - Discussion on likes and dislikes: a clean look, business looking, highly readable, spell out ODC, clear design, “abilities”, full name, fonts more uniform, and with an outline of the state of Oregon instead of square block.

By consensus and without objection, a design was approved.

Vote: 12-0-0-0

Yeas: Armstrong, Campbell, Cunio, Helvington, Ingledue, Lynch, McEwen, Ough, Simpson, Synoground, Treasure, Wellard

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Excused: 0

Motion carried.

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Action Item: Staff to proceed with finalization of the logo with the Communications Unit.

Website – Discussion that information in the website should also be reflected on the brochure. Members preferred photographs that showed community involvement. There was a reminder that a Website is a work in process.

By consensus and without objection, approval was made that the Website was ready to go.

Vote: 12-0-0-0

Yeas: Armstrong, Campbell, Cunio, Helvington, Ingledue, Lynch, McEwen, Ough, Simpson, Synoground, Treasure, Wellard

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Excused: 0

Motion carried.

Action Item: Staff to finalize website information and photographs and have the Communications Unit to launch the website.

Brochure – Discussion that information in the brochure should also be reflected in the website. Members preferred photographs that showed community involvement and no body parts.

By consensus and without objection, approval was made for staff to make sure the brochure and website had all up to date information and reflected each other.

Vote: 12-0-0-0

Yeas: Armstrong, Campbell, Cunio, Helvington, Ingledue, Lynch, McEwen, Ough, Simpson, Synoground, Treasure, Wellard

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Excused: 0

Motion carried.

Action Item: Staff to finalize information and photographs so brochure can be printed.

LIAISON REPORTS

Consensus to use report template to be included in the meeting packet, discussion will then be any questions or actions needed. Ruth mentioned that PDAC has a template form.

List of Groups:

- Capitol Restoration Project – Ruth McEwen and Bill Lynch alternate
- SB 716 (City of Portland Steering Committee) – Jan Campbell
- Transportation Budget Note Steering Committee – Frank Armstrong
- Medicaid Long Term Care Quality and Reimbursement Advisory Council – Tina Treasure
- Building Codes Structures Board Representation – Bill Wellard
- Independent Choices WorkGroup (meeting in May only) – Ruth McEwen and Judy Cunio as alternate.
- Long Range Planning group – Bill Lynch and Ruth McEwen
- Home Care Commission – Judy Cunio volunteered. Dawn reported that she needed to check the process and scheduling for senate confirmation.
- Groups/Agencies Commissioners Represent

By consensus and without objection, a report will be used.

Vote: 12-0-0-0

Yeas: Armstrong, Campbell, Cunio, Helvington, Ingledue, Lynch, McEwen, Ough, Simpson, Synoground, Treasure, Wellard

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Excused: 0

Motion carried.

Action Item: Staff to check the process and scheduling for senate confirmation to become a member of the Home Care Commission.

Dawn recommended ODC may want to look at longer meetings for the next calendar year.

Bylaws – Discussion that the majority has been finalized; however, always in process. It was suggested to have the Executive Committee finish reviewing the Bylaws.

By consensus and without objection, the Executive Committee will finish reviewing the Bylaws, meeting by phone in June.

Vote: 12-0-0-0

Yeas: Armstrong, Campbell, Cunio, Helvington, Ingledue, Lynch, McEwen, Ough, Simpson, Synoground, Treasure, Wellard

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Excused: 0

Motion carried.

Action Item: Staff to schedule an Executive Committee phone meeting in June regarding Bylaws.

Action Item: Staff to reschedule July's meeting to another date.

Action Item: Staff to reschedule September's meeting to another date, making it a full day.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

Meeting Adjourned: 3:30 p.m.

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