



Commission for People with Disabilities (CFPD)
October 18, 2011
Room 14 Governmental Center/Potomac Building

Minutes

Attendees: Lois Coryell, Sam Brown, Carole Woodward, Susan Erichsen, Patrice Roberts, Jennifer Neff, MaryAnn Cook, Rebecca Kessler and Christina Bishop

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Sue Erichsen's.

S. Erichsen asked members to review the minutes and agenda. Minutes were reviewed and approved as written.

Finance Report – No report.

Staff Report – No report.

ADA Coordinator Report – No report.

Committee Reports

Etiquette Handbook: S. Erichsen noted that the handbook is the most successful tool that has come out by the Committee

Awareness Display - Library: This activity is done and members agreed that the Committee should do this activity again.

Caregiver Conference: This activity is done every 3 years. Members suggested that the Committee investigate another activity for April. Maybe Earth Day?

Commercials: M. Robinson was handling this project and she is no longer on the Committee. C. Bishop will check with Channel 10 (Metrocast) to increase the visibility of the disability community.

Wounded Warriors: S. Erichsen suggested that someone from Pax River should have a representative sit on the Committee. C. Woodward will get in touch with her contact at Pax River and C. Bishop will get in touch with her contact in reference to this. There will be a job fair at Pax River for wounded warriors on January 24th and April 24th. Andrews Air Force Base will also be holding an upcoming job fair.

Lions Club Camp: It was agreed that this committee was a June event – but that this will no longer be a Committee sponsored event. Remove from agenda.

ADA Anniversary Celebration: Starting October 2012 this celebration will move to October due to the heat from having the celebration in the summer months.

County Fair: Members attended and manned the Committee for People with Disabilities booth on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The committee did not do an awareness event for the County Fair this year but will do next year. U. Harris will check with Stephanie Figeroux in reference to getting Velcro ordered for pictures so that they do not fall off the board during events as did at the County Fair.

CFPD Team Meeting: C. Bishop suggested that this meeting takes place again.

Outreach: On Friday, October 21, 2011, the Department of Aging will be having their annual Health Fair from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. C. Bishop has volunteered to man the CFPD table and would welcome a buddy to assist. C. Bishop suggested to members if their organization was not setting up a table at the fair and if they had any brochures/giveaways they could put their information on the CFPD table. Name tags will be put on agenda for

next month. Members were reminded that any outreach that is done should include the CFPD for tracking purposes.

Awards: The Awards presentation will be held on October 25, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. in the Chesapeake Building. There will also be a proclamation for National Disability Employment Month proclaiming that October is such. R. Kessler will check to see if the proclamation has been done and will be ready by October 25.

Holiday Party: Is set for December 9 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Loffler Wiseman Center at Chancellor Run Park (Cost \$50). The Center will be opened at 4:00 p.m. for set up. C Bishop reminded members that if their organization has any giveaways that could be given to clients as gifts, please wrap and bring.

Announcements:

On December 2, 2011, C. Bishop will present to the St. Mary's County Library on behalf of CFPD.

C. Bishop announced that the contract for a Para Olympic Sports club in Great Mills is now in the legal process. The Para Olympics is focused on the visually or physically impaired populations which includes our veterans. There is no age group at this point.

Friday, October 21, 2011 the Department of Aging will hold a health fair at the Hollywood Fire Department. There will be over 75 vendors.

On November 6, 2011, there will be a Dementia Care Conference in Waldorf, MD – 60 years of age and older.

On November 10, 2011, there will be the Annual Caregiver Breakfast

On March 13, 2012, there will be a Long-term Care Conference

On April 27, 2012, there will be a Caregiver Conference in Frederick, MD.

Old Business:

It was suggested that in reference to Membership that the Committee will look at the current contact list and contact agency representatives to see if they still have interest in being on the Committee. U. Harris will add new members to the contact list.

New Business:

Due to the vacancy for Vice Chair – S. Erichsen asked for nominations for this position.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 15, 2011

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Ursula Harris.