

# **Governor's Council on Disability**

## **Meeting Minutes**

### **October 16, 2017**

#### **Council Members Present/Participating:**

Joan Bergstrom, Chuck Comstock, Chip Hailey, Mary Ann Harter, Todd Mayfield, DeAnna Noriega, Sue Orton, James Trout, Bob Wallace, Yvonne Wright

#### **Council Members Not Present/Participating:**

Betty Davidson, Ph.D., Ron Hack, Rosemary Hendon

#### **Department Liaisons:**

Lynette Ricks – Office of State Court Administrator - OSCA

**Staff:** Amy Bledsoe, Claudia Browner, Wendy Molitor, Laura Mueth

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. With ten (10) Council members (9 members, chair Yvonne Wright) in attendance, there was a quorum for the meeting. Introductions followed.

#### **Approval of agenda:**

The Council members unanimously approved the agenda for the day.

**Public Comment:** None

#### **Old Business:**

James Trout presented and read an amended motion to the Council, relating to health care for people with disabilities:

“People with disabilities should have access to affordable, adequate healthcare, and that poverty levels should not exclude them.

People with disabilities should have access to necessary consumer directed home and community based services to allow them to live as independently in their homes and communities as possible. Per the GCD Bylaws and Strategic Plan, the Council encourages system changes and public policies that eliminate barriers to people with disabilities, and expand opportunities for independence. Annually, the legislative budget process will support and honor this commitment.”

The Council discussed the motion and decided to draft a position paper on healthcare to be posted on the GCD website.

After some discussion, the Council voted unanimously to adopt the motion.

Amy Bledsoe and the Advocacy Committee were asked to work together to draft a position paper on healthcare for discussion/approval at the November Council meeting.

#### **Closed Session (per RSMO 610.021):**

Council Chair Yvonne Wright asked GCD staff, the state liaison and any members of the public to leave the room during a closed session for Council members.

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For the minutes, Yvonne noted that the subject discussed during the closed session was adjourned for further discussion.

The closed session and the public meeting were adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

The next regular Council meeting will be held **Friday, November 17, 2017** at 10 AM at the **Department of Natural Resources, Bennett Springs Room**, 1738 East Elm St., Jefferson City.

<b>Summary of Action Items:</b>	<b>Person Responsible:</b>
Draft position paper on Healthcare	Amy Bledsoe & Advocacy Committee

Minutes by Claudia Browner, Executive I  
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Approved by Council 11/17/17