

Attachment A

6/18 DAC Meeting Minute Region 10

Start time: 11:00AM

Pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.8, The meeting was offered via teleconference (ZOOM) due to precautionary COVID-19 social distancing guidelines. All participants were able to communicate effectively via teleconference, video, and necessary communication accommodations (ASL interpreter)

Attendance:

Members Present: Carlos Vega, Derek Merritt, Holly Mateer, Jamie Phipps

Jennifer Keaton, Mark Schneider

Members Absent: NONE

Others: Carla Andorf, & ASL Interpreter, Hands Up communications

Call to Order: Meeting began at approx. 11:10. Quorum Present.

Members were re-oriented to the Disability Action Committee mission, and purpose. Discussion of the strategic plan, goals, and progress was explained as it relates to the Integration Continuum Model Update Chart, and Disability Action items. Google Folder/ Doc will be used to organize information and reference items related to the work of the DAC.

COVID SERVICE IMPACT DISCUSSION, and Agency Update

Carla Andorf - Updated members on: Timeline to 9 Local Workforce Development Areas, or "LWDA's", - We will have 9 new statewide regions. No change to region 10 as far as additions/deletions of territory. Fiscal Agent is TBD. Service Provider Contracts are extended to Dec 21, 2020.

Carlos Vega (IWD)– Unemployment Claims continue to be focus of staff time, Staff are working 6 days per week, with plans to allow vacation and time off soon.

Derek Merritt (Goodwill Cedar Rapids) – Providing Services virtually and as needed, taking precautions to ensure safety measures are being followed for any Goodwill services provided in person.

Holly Mateer / Monica Brockway (IVRS) –IVRS services continue to be offered remotely, Transition students participate in local and statewide daily activities via zoom. In-person and on-site services are being provided on a case by case basis. Staff are rotating schedules in office, as needed.

Jamie Phipps, IBD has accepted a new position with IDB focusing on QA, will continue to serve on this DAC. IDB is providing virtual services much like IVRS.

Jennifer Keaton – Hands Up Communications, is providing services remotely and in person on a case by case basis. Focus is on Foreign Language and American Sign Language. Employment Services arm of the agency is in development. Utilizing VRI to offer services remotely, and on demand.

Mark Schneider, Superintendent Mid-Prairie Community School District – Return to Fall Instruction details are TBD, Discussion on safety, technology for students. Mr. Schneider provided insight into impacts to days of instruction requirements, contract implications and possible scenarios impacting both. More information will be forthcoming as information and guidance is provided from the State of Iowa Department of Education to guide fall planning.

Review/ Update: Integration Continuum Model – Discussed Upcoming Working Meetings & set dates to reconvene, Decided on 2 meetings with 3rd Tentative.

Meeting Adjourned @ 11:58AM

Upcoming Zoom Meetings:

7/9 @ 11AM

7/23 @ 11/AM

8/6 @ 11AM (Tentative)