



Region I Disability Access Committee Meeting

Tuesday, June 11, 2019

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The Chair noted that pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.8 the meeting was offered via teleconference (ZOOM) because it is impractical to hold a meeting with all persons present in person; all participants were able to hear one another.

Members Present: Jeanne Helling, Nancy Steffensmeier, Jamie Phipps, Anna Stamat, James Sigwarth, Lisa Farley, Lynn Gallagher, Michelle Schmitt, Ron Axtell, Lisa Curtain, and Marla Loecke

Members Absent: Margee Woywood, Kris Cote, Mary Ott, and Lea Dahlquist

Others Present: Penny Ingles

Call to Order: Helling called the meeting to order at 1:35. Roll was taken, and It was noted that a quorum was established.

Approval of Agenda: Motion Steffensmeier, seconded Axtell, to approve agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Action Item: Motion Stamat, seconded Gallagher, to approve the minutes from the May 14, 2019, Region I Disability Access Committee meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

Disability Awareness Month planning/discussion: Annual Disability Month in October discussion followed. The group discussed who would be their target audience – this may govern what is done. There is a limited budget for any activities (\$175). It was noted that the Telegraph Herald does free ads for non-profit agencies/and highlights a non-profit when having something special. Ron discussed the “Social Blasts” that could highlight certain things such as: tax credits, accommodations, assistive technology, success stories, etc. These “blasts” could go on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc. Presenting at various sector boards with a common presentation, representing all, perhaps at beginning of the meeting; sharing the Disability Access Website with the theme of empowering all. Tentative date of October 8, 1:00 – 3:00, for social event, then figure on presenting at meetings, and the message to go on social media.

Business Engagement – Discussion and determine some committee goals: Motion Sigwarth, seconded Steffensmeier, to table this item until next meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

Next Meeting Date: July 09, 2019, 1:30 p.m. (second Tuesday of each month)

Adjournment: Motion Gallagher, seconded Farley, to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:58 p.m.