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DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE M I N U T E S

Tuesday · April 9, 2024

3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

223 E 4th Street, Room 160

Port Angeles, Washington

1. CALL TO ORDER: Introductions

Laura Johns called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

Members Present: Tony Andrus, Terry Barrett, Pamela Bumgardner, Jasmine Grenot, Pamela Hicks, Laura Johns and Bobbie Stoneman

Members Excused: Alan Caverly and Skye Eastman

Audience: Shelby Bell, Mike French, Daphne Grieb, Lucinda Heidel, Steve Hughes, Tracey House, Samuel McLellan, Linda Middleton, Kelsi Millet, Monique Patel, Misty Parkhurst-Gates, Karen Pierce, Laura Radke, Chelsea Rider, Carina Robinson, Raandi Simpson-Goss and Nicole Sklors

County Staff: Jennifer Charles, Kelley Lawrence, Jenny Oppelt and Chelsea Reynolds

2. AGENDA: Approval and Additions

ACTION TAKEN: Tony motioned; Pamela Hicks seconded. Motion passed to approve the agenda without any additions.

3. MINUTES: Approval of Draft Meeting Minutes from February 13, 2024

ACTION TAKEN: Bobbie motioned; Terry seconded. Motion passed to approve the minutes from February 13, 2024, without any changes.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Please limit comments to three minutes (10 minutes total)

Chelsea Rider commented on the PASD Para-Educator Strike currently taking place.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Laura provided the following announcements:

- a. DDAC Candidate, Pamela Bumgardner, was approved for membership to the Developmental Disabilities Advisory Committee (DDAC) on March 5, 2024, by the Clallam County Board of Commissioners Meeting (BOCC). Welcome Ms. Pamela to the DDAC!!
- b. Clallam County Transition Council Update: Our Next Virtual Meeting is Tuesday, May 21, 2024, from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. Please reach out to Kelley Lawrence if you wish to attend. We will post Ms. Kelley's email address in the chat: kelley.lawrence@clallamcountywa.gov
- c. Our Clallam County Transition Program was honored to be highlighted in the Spring 2024 Sequim School District's Kaleidoscope Magazine!! We will post the link to the article in the chat: <https://www.sequimschools.org/>

- d. Reminder: All County Employment Clients who have participated in Employment for at least 9 months can request from their Case Resource Manager (CRM) to be enrolled in Community Inclusion (CI) Services.
- e. The Community Summit will be held in Wenatchee, Washington on May 7-9, 2024. We look forward to seeing many of you at The Summit. At our June 11, 2024, DDAC Meeting we will invite a few of the Summit attendees to share their experiences with you.
- f. Project SAFER Update:
 - 1. Project SAFER Website Update: Pam Hicks; We will post the website in the chat: <https://projectsafer.org>
 - 2. Project SAFER Response Form Update: Carina Robinson
 - 3. Project SAFER Event Update: The 2nd Annual Project SAFER Event will be held at the Clallam County Fair on Thursday, August 15, 2024. So, everyone . . . Please Mark Your Calendars!! All Clallam County individuals who experience an intellectual and developmental disability (IDD) and their Families or Supports are invited to attend, FREE OF CHARGE, on this day. This event offers All Clallam County individuals who experience IDD and their Families or Supports the opportunity for positive and inclusive interactions with Clallam County First Responders along with learning about many of the available Resources in our Community. If you are interested in participating in Project SAFER as a Resource or Community Partner on the day of the event – please reach out to Kelley Lawrence. (Her email is in the chat.)
 - 4. Project SAFER / DDA LIVE Webinar: Project SAFER was honored to be selected by DDA to present a LIVE Webinar to discuss Project SAFER. This will be held on Wednesday, April 17, 2024 from 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Admission is FREE!! You can access the meeting by going to the WISE website (gowise.org) and selecting the WISE Training Calendar for Log-In information. We will post the website in the chat: <https://gowise.org>
 - 5. Project SAFER Community Summit Presentation: Project SAFER was honored to be selected to give a presentation at the Community Summit!! A wonderful delegation from Clallam County will be on a panel for the presentation and providing their voices for this event.
 - 6. Project SAFER Video: Nicholas's Story (Video); We will post the link to the video in the chat: <https://vimeo.com/932199639/f47d1b5810?share=copy>

Tony provided an idea to provide information (via assembly or flyers) to the schools about Project SAFER; Pamela Bumgardner shared that she would like to volunteer for Project SAFER; Many supportive comments of Project SAFER were provided by Karen Pierce, Mike French, Shelby Bell, Terry Bell and Linda Middleton.

6. ACTION ITEMS: No Action Items were presented.

7. SPOTLIGHT ON EMPLOYMENT (SOE):

- a. Concerned Citizens (Maximum of 10 minutes) Misty Parkhurst-Gates presented the video, “Work & Play . . . What Dual Services Looks Like” which included Clients Garet and Tanner.

8. CLALLAM COUNTY ~ DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COMMUNITY PARTNER (CP) UPDATE:

- a. First Step – “Supported Parenting Program” (Maximum of 10 minutes) Kelsi Millet provided PowerPoint presentation of the program.

9. COUNTY REPORTS / UPDATES:

- a. Outcome Report: February 2024 - Kelley Lawrence provided the following “3” reports and information:
 - 1. Individual Supported Employment (“ISE”)
 - 2. Community Inclusion (“CI”)
 - 3. County Transition Program

10. STATE AGENCY REPORTS:

- a. Developmental Disability Administration (DDA) - Carina Robinson, DDA/Region 3/A
Carina thanked everyone for the work being done and everyone working together. She, also, referred those who are interested in applying to DDA to go to the DSHS/DDA website and select the Service Referral and Information Request link. She will, also, be attending the Community Summit with CRM Raandi Simpson-Goss.
- b. Department of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) – Lucinda Heidel; Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor IV: Lucinda shared they are trying to hire a VRC for the P.A. Office.

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No future Agenda Items were submitted.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Please limit comments to three minutes (10 minutes total)

- a. Laura asked Chelsea Rider if she would like to discuss the current PASD Para-Educator Strike. Chelsea led the discussion and the following individuals contributed to the discussion: Terry Barrett, Shelby Bell, Linda Middleton, Karen Pierce, Laura Johns and Carina Robinson.
- b. Karen Pierce announced Emergency Preparedness Training starts in April and Lefties Games with Pierce, Jones & Associates is July 14, 2024.
- c. Terry Barrett announced the “Forest Bathing” Event.
- d. Lara Radke announced Studio Bob/Inside Out/5th – 8th; Christine Motokane (2nd book)
- e. Linda Middleton announced at the Family Center – Indian Drums and Beading; plus, last Friday of every month is an Ice Cream Social.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Laura adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:32 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday · June 11, 2024 · 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.