

Maine Developmental Disabilities Council

March 10th, 2021

Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 9:02 am

Agenda Item	Handouts	Highlights	Motions
Call to Order/Introductions/Minutes	Minutes from November Meeting	Deb Davis welcomed Council members and had everyone introduce themselves.	Maryann Preble made a motion to approve the minutes, Jon McGovern 2 nd , no discussion, unanimously approved
COVID Update/ Breakout Exercise		The Council broke into small groups for a conversation about COVID – how they felt about the question and answer session with Dr. Shah, what’s going well or not so well, and what actions the Council could take to lift the voices of people with developmental disabilities during this time.	
2022-27 State Plan Proposed Goals and Objectives Review		<p>Rachel Dyer gave the Council a brief overview of the proposed Goals and Objectives for our 2022-27 State Plan, in order that MDDC can send this draft Plan out for a 45 day public comment period.</p> <p>Nancy Cronin called on each member to see if they had any feedback or if they felt it was ready to go out for public comment. Consensus of the group was that it looks good and is ready to move forward with public comment.</p>	
Policy/Staff Update		Maryann Preble shared her experience at the recent OADS listening session on behavior management, expressing that there is overuse of restraint in non-emergency situations.	

		Nancy Cronin gave the Council an overview of our work in policy, including her work on the changes being discussed around services for 3 to 5 year olds, waitlists for sections 28/65, and tracking new bills at the Legislature.	
Council Business	Balance Sheet Budget to Actual Nicholas Alexander application Executive Committee Meeting Minutes	Nancy Cronin walked the Council through our budget documents and discussed having a conversation about adjusting this budget based on changes to staffing and COVID impacts. This conversation will happen at May's meeting. Jon McGovern told the full Council about the Membership Committee's interview with Nicholas Alexander and let them know that the committee recommends him for membership. Deb Davis presented the minutes from the last Executive Committee meeting.	Marc Roix made a motion to nominate Nicholas Alexander for membership to the Council. Jon McGovern 2 nd . No discussion, unanimously approved (one abstention).
Adjourn		Adjourned at 11:45 am	Kile Pelletier made a motion to adjourn, Maryann Preble 2 nd , no opposition.

Attendance

Attendance: Sarah Trites, Maryann Preble, Kile Pelletier, Suzanne Primiano, Denise Ranger, Sharlene Adams (guest), Shannon Johnson, Sue Russell, Cheryl Hathaway, Cheryl Stalilonis, Monique Stairs, Vauna Foster, Marc Roix, Erin Frazier, Deb Davis, Stacy Smart, Maryann Harakall, Elissa Wynne, Tracey Webb, Jean Youde, Jon McGovern, Maggie Hoffman, Craig Patterson, Nicole Achey, Kim Moody

Staff Attendance: Nancy Cronin, Rachel Dyer, Jessica Gorton

Absent: Roberta Lucas/CDS