

**Maine Developmental Disabilities Council**  
Meeting Minutes  
July 19, 2017

Agenda Item	Hand outs	Highlights	Motions
Call to Order	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chris Powers, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.</li> </ul>	
Review of Minutes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The May 10, 2017 Council meeting minutes were provided and reviewed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (Pelletier/Roix): To accept the May 10, 2017 meeting minutes.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Passed unanimously</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
2018 Council Budget Votes (done in multiple stages)	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nancy Cronin reviewed the proposed FY18 Council budget. Each project line was reviewed and approved individually to allow members the opportunity to abstain from voting on any project for which there may exist a conflict of interest.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Supported Decision Making: approved with 4 abstentions (Pelletier, Cobo-Lewis, Converse, Stairs)</li> <li>○ Inclusion Contest: approved                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An ad-hoc committee will be formed to discuss and make decisions regarding the direction of the project.</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Small Grants: approved with 2 abstentions (Pelletier, Stairs)</li> <li>○ Self-Advocacy Organization: approved with 3 abstentions (Pelletier, Trites, Stairs)</li> <li>○ Quality Services: approved</li> <li>○ SUFU's Leadership Program: approved with 3 abstentions (Pelletier, Stairs, Trites)</li> <li>○ Maine DD Network: approved with 3 abstentions (Cobo-Lewis, Converse, Stairs)</li> <li>○ Access to Healthcare/Medical Home: approved with 1 abstention (Taplin-Lacy)</li> <li>○ Transition/Employment: approved with 2 abstentions (Cobo-Lewis, Weissman)</li> <li>○ Learn the Signs Act Early: approved</li> <li>○ Early Intervention/Help Me Grow: approved</li> <li>○ Early Intervention/Education: not approved                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tabled to be reviewed/reconsidered at a future date</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Policy Barriers to Service: approved with 1 abstention (Converse)</li> <li>○ Able Act Outreach: approved</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (Olmstead/Ranger) That the Council allocate \$8,000 for a disability oral history project.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Passed unanimously</li> </ul> </li> <li>• (Adams/Ranger) That the Council approve the complete FY18 budget as amended.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Passed unanimously</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Multicultural Inclusion: approved</li> <li>○ The Council voted to add a line to the project budget allocating \$8,000 to a disability oral history project.</li> <li>● The budget as a whole was voted on and approved as modified by the full Council.</li> </ul>	
MDDC/DD Act	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Nancy provided a presentation on the current status of MDDC and the DD Act.</li> </ul>	
Policy Discussion	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Staci Converse provided an overview of current policy issues related to DD.</li> </ul>	
Finance Committee	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The May 2017 Budget vs. Actual was provided and reviewed. Members were reminded of the need for volunteers to serve on the Finance Committee.</li> </ul>	
Membership Renewals	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Ballots were provided for those members seeking renewal of their membership.</li> </ul>	
Executive Committee	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Ballots were distributed for one of the at-large seats on the Executive Committee. Follow-up will be done to fill the second at-large seat on the Committee.</li> </ul>	
Public Relations Committee	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Deb Davis provided an update on the Council's current Public Relations activities.</li> </ul>	
Adjournment	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The meeting was adjourned</li> </ul>	

Council Members in Attendance:

Alan Cobo-Lewis  
Staci Converse  
Deb Davis  
Kate Quinn Finlay  
Shannon Johnson  
Avery Olmstead  
Kile Pelletier  
Chris Powers  
Denise Ranger  
Marc Roix

Monique Stairs  
Hillary Steinau  
Emilee Taplin-Lacy  
Sarah Trites  
Elinor Weissman  
Monica Wood  
Jean Youde

Council Members Absent

Jan Breton  
Roy Fowler  
Jeff Shapiro  
Karen Sites

Staff in Attendance

Nancy Cronin  
Erin Howes  
Angela Burgess