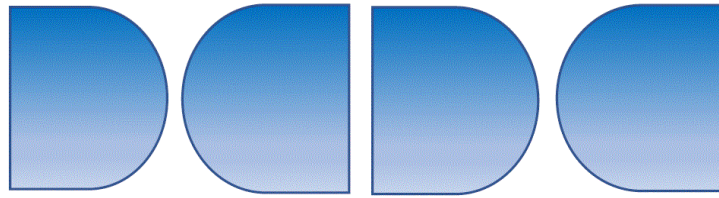




## DUBUQUE COUNTY DISABILITIES COUNCIL



### Meeting Minutes

**Mission:** To represent the perspectives of People with Disabilities to the Dubuque County Board of Supervisors and to actively seek change in policies and practices that create more opportunities and dismantle barriers for People with Disabilities in Dubuque County.

**Meeting:** July 9, 2024

**Location:** Keystone AEA

**Attendance:** Matt Kennedy, Lori Anderson, Debbie DeVenuta, Penny Ehlinger, Dr. Heleana Theixos, Jim Vansteenburgh, Tom Derr, Margie Woywood, Sam Bragg, Kathy Weber



Meeting called to order at 4:03 by Matt.

### Public Comments –

**Approval of Minutes –** June minutes were reviewed. Approved by Margie and seconded by Kathy.

### Discussion Items:

1. Welcome new members: Samantha (Sam Bragg) who works for Amerigroup and Lisa Nicks who works for McGraw Hill.
2. Disability & Inclusion Expo July 30, 2024 5:00-8:00 NICC Peosta.
  - A). Matt and Sam shared the flyers electronically and hard copies. There was an error with the QR code. Matt has a code sticker to go over the old QR code. Please distribute these flyers.
  - B). Vendor List: Sam shared the list electronically, please give her your updates of agencies committed to attending and the contact person.
  - C). Special Olympics will be a vendor.
  - D). Archdiocese and Dubuque area churches: Kathy and Penny are sending flyers out to each parish so they can put the expo information in their bulletins if they choose.
  - E). Sam will develop a vendor survey so we can learn from this experience and make adjustments as necessary for upcoming events.
  - F). Welcome table with have a DCDC banner and committee name tags
  - G). Matt informed the committee that Facebook advertising was going to cost \$120.00 and would reach approximately 50 people per day but not guaranteeing the accurate people. Committee all agreed not to move forward with this advertising
  - H). A small Expo Committee will be formed (Matt, Sam, Jim, Lori, Kathy) to finalize the details for the expo.
3. Jim shared information regarding the NAMI drug addiction sessions that will start July 10<sup>th</sup>.

4. Committee would like Sam and Matt to review the bi-laws for members expiration of terms to ensure of accuracy and who will be re-applying.

UPDATE REGARDING FUTURE MEETINGS:

All future meetings will be held at Dubuque Community School District boardroom, 2300 Chaney Road except for April 8<sup>th</sup> where the location will be shared prior to this meeting.

Next meeting: August 13, 2024, 4:00-5:00 DCSD boardroom 2300 Chaney Road.

**Meeting adjourned at 4:38 by Penny and seconded by Debbie.**