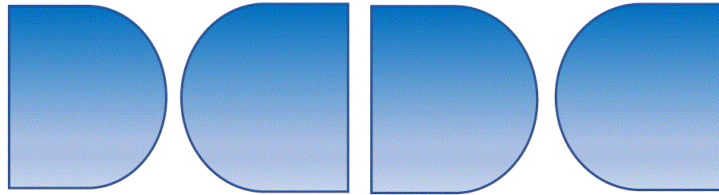




DUBUQUE COUNTY DISABILITIES COUNCIL



Meeting Minutes

Meeting: November 12, 2024

Time: 4:00 pm

Location: West Campus Dubuque County Office; 1225 Seippel Road, Asbury, IA. (Enter to the left and then First room on the left.)

Attendance: Matt Kennedy, Samantha Berglin, Kathy Weber, Sue Wilgenbusch,

1. Public Comments-NA

2. Approval of Minutes – Minutes 10/8/2024 Kathy/Sue approved

3. Discussion

1) Review By-laws ----every 5 years, need to have 30 days review before vote-Sam will send out before January meeting. Discussed Article V- Liaison to the DCDC-Section I. **Title:....BOS will appoint a liaison from the MHDS office...Omit the strike out due to changes coming with MHDS.** Section III. The Liaison shall report to (will work with) the Chairperson...omit the strike out and amend with ().

2) Review Strategic Plan--- discussed under Seek information change to- Collect input from individuals with disabilities annually—instead of ~~Interview individuals with disabilities quarterly.~~

3) BOS meeting update from 10/21—discussed that there may be some support for the Treasurers office regarding tax suspension processes and procedures that need to be reviewed/written to help those who qualify in Dubuque County to understand/use. Mike Clasen and Sam were in touch and will see how the DCDC may be helpful. Also discussed with IT Title 2 changes and how we may be helpful to IT in the future as they look at making those changes. BOS is very supportive of this group and want ot continue to see the group reaching out to the community and helping make positive impact.

4) Reminder Book Read Discussion - for January—we will discuss the book read with Erika Raber at the January meeting and how the DCDC can be supportive of the initiative.

5) Watch National River Museum Fund the Need – the group watched the video and discussed the impact. Led to discussion on how we can continue conversations on accessibility and inclusion efforts. Inclusive Dubuque-what is it, who are they? Talk to Molly Grover at the Chamber and

Kurt Strand at the Mississippi River Museum for more information potentially. Proudly Accessible Dubuque Group that dissolved leader Katrina Willburton may be a good future contact as well.

6) **Election of Officers**—This did not take place due to low numbers but was discussed that it will have to be our first order of business at the January meeting and the new officers will be in effect immediately at that meeting.

Meeting adjourned by motion from Kathy, seconded by Samantha Bragg.

4. Next Meeting Plans – meet January 14th at West Campus Dubuque County Office; 1225 Seippel Road, Asbury, IA.