



## *Kansas Council on Developmental Disabilities*

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*"To ensure the opportunity to make choices regarding participation in society  
and quality of life for individuals with developmental disabilities"*

### *Meeting Minutes*

November 15, 2013 - 9:00AM-3:00PM  
Kanza Café - 2701 SW East Circle Dr. South  
Topeka KS

**Members Present:** Brennon, Bowley, Fairbank, King, Nichols, Smith, Kelley, Santiago, Wilson, Jones, Pickell, Steffy

**Staff Present:** Gieber, May, Cobbs

**Members Absent:** Excused - Gurney, Rasnic, Stewart, Jordan, Wehymeyer

**Guests:** LaRae Santiago, Janet Steffy

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**Call to Order:** Brennon officially called the meeting to order at 9:10am.

**Public comment:** No public comments.

**Budget:** Gieber presented the 1st Quarter 2014 Budget and other expense activities.

**Grant:** May provided an update on Project SEARCH, Employment First Summit, Small Business Development TA & Outreach, ATK Fishing Knows No Boundaries, and Healthcare Call for Investment.

**End The Wait:** **Tim** Woods update the council on End The Wait Kansas and a request for \$25,000 grant for the year 2014.

**Partners:** Cobbs update the council on Partners Graduate list. The first Partners Advocacy Meeting will be January 10, 2014 at Docking State Office Building. Also KCDD is implementing Self-Advocacy training at Capper Foundation and TARC, Inc.

Gieber reported to the council members of his vision in Leadership In Self-Advocacy. The Common Good is a Leadership Conference in Wichita. A request for a partner graduate and staff to participate to see if it would benefit the council.

**Gieber:** Sen. Sullivan met with Gieber, Brennon & Gina Meier-Hummel and shared KCDD goals and planned projects. A request was made for a long-term plan for the Waiting List and the creation of additional employment incentives.

**NACDD:** Gieber attended the NACDD Executive Director Leadership Summit in Midway Utah 11/05/13-11/08/13. He discussed the events of the meeting. He also shared with the council the following upcoming event for 2014 & 2015:

April 7-9, 2014	Disability Policy, Washington, DC
July 7-9, 2014	Annual Conference and TAI in Washington, DC
November 2014	ED Summit, suggested Jackson Hole, Wy
April 13-15, 2015	Disability Policy Seminar, Washington, DC
Summer 2015	Annual Conference in Reno, NV
November 2015	TAI and ED Summit in or near Washington, DC

**Five Year Plan: May: Committee of Systemic Changes Assigned:**

**Quality Assurance**

Stacy Jones  
Kathy Brennon  
Joan Kelley

**Health Care**

Kristin Fairbank  
Heather Smith  
Gary Bowley

**Self-Determination**

Kathy Brennon  
Wendy Pickell  
April Santiago  
Joe Steffy  
Heather Smith

**Employment**

Dawn Wilson  
Stephanie King  
Wendy Pickell  
Joe Steffy  
April Santiago  
Rocky Nichols

**Conflict of Interest/Confidentiality Agreement**

The Governance Committee will review and report back to the council at the next meeting. The Council can take action at the time.

**Vote:** **Legislative Position:** Nichols made a motion to add bullet point under rules position. The council supports the first Kansas DD Reform Act and should not be changed. The council also supports Executive Gieber to come up with a bullet point for the document. Steffy second. Motion passed.

**Vote:** Jones made a motion to support **Autism Expanded Insurance Coverage for Early Intervention.** Bowley second. Motion passed.

**Vote:** **Healthcare Draft:** Jones motion for Steve to enter into discussion with MCO about the obligations to look at healthcare outcomes and how the process is measured and tracked. Bowley second. Motion passed.

**Vote:** **End The Wait:** Wilson motion to fund \$25,000 for one year. King second. Motion passed.

**Vote:** SACK: Bowley motion to fund SACK \$15,000 for their annual conference. Pickell second. Motion passed.

**Vote:** Minutes – 08/02/13: Santiago motion to approve minutes. King second. Motion Passed.

**Vote:** King motion to approve Gieber financial. Jones second. Motion passed.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourn.

**2014 KCDD Meeting Dates:**

**March 7, 2014** – Kanza Cafee, 2701 SW East Circle Dr. South, Topeka KS

**May 8-9, 2014** – To be announced

**July 25, 2014** – Kanza Café, 2701 SW East Circle Dr. South, Topeka, KS

**November 14, 2014** – Kanza Café, 2701 SW East Circle Dr. South, Topeka KS