



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

March 7, 2014

Kanza Café, 2701 SW East Circle Drive South
Topeka, KS 66606

Members Present: Brennon, Shogren, Wintle, Meiri-Hummel, Santiago, Wehmeyer, Kelly, King, Fairbank, Rasnic, Wilson, Jones, Nichols, Linnenkemp, Story (Conference Call In)

Staff Present: Gieber, Cobbs, Knutson

Members Absent: Excused - Smith, Pickell, Gurney, Bowley

Guests: LaRae Santiago

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

Public comment: No public comments.

Min\Nov 15, 2013: An open discussion on November 15, 2013 minutes.

KCDD Budget: Gieber provided an update to the council on the budget. Big Tent's membership is \$500.00.

Advocacy: The council ordered 500 Kansas Advocacy Pins to present to self-advocates along with a certificate for the advocacy training KCDD is providing for provider to implement in their day programs. The first group of 20 to graduates was from Easter Seal Capper Foundation. They were so excited about the improvements of their students, they will provide training for 4 more groups of 20. Also other groups who are going to implement the training: COF, R.I.C.O, OCCK & Exploring Life who now have 6 graduates. This will be an ongoing process to providers to provide more self-advocacy training in their day programs.

Information: Employment First Summit will be April 30 – May 1, 2014. Any council member who want to attend, please submit a registration.

Grants Funds Available – Approx. \$200,000.00

Wichita Leadership Conference – A request to send a staff or council member to the training to see if KCDD can benefit from the training.

Gieber Travel Plans – Travel to Washington, DC for the NACDD 2014 Disability Policy Seminar on April 6-9, 2014.

Grants Manager’s Vacancy is on hold and will be discussed during the retreat.

Underserved Waiting List is due to the work of DRC and the End The Wait Grant. DD Buddy Group was also helpful as well.

The **Council Self-Evaluation** was discussed and all council members were asked to complete and return the form to the KCDD office or turn them in at the end of the March 7th meeting.

Five Year Plan: Committee of Systemic Changes Assigned:

Quality Assurance

Stacy Jones- Chair
Kathy Brennon
Joan Kelley
Michael Wehmeyer

Health Care

Kristin Fairbank- Chair
Heather Smith
Bill Story

Self-Determination

Kathy Brennon
Wendy Pickell
April Santiago
Kristi Rasnic
Heather Smith
Brad Linnenkamp - Chair

Employment

Dawn Wilson - Chair
Stephanie King
Wendy Pickell
Kristi Rasnic
April Santiago
Rocky Nichols
Brad Linnenkamp

**RFI-IDD
Waiver**

Meier-Hummel reported no major changes. A question was interjected “What would you like to see improvement to school transition”? The cut-off date was 03/17/14.

2010-IDD Waiver-CMS approved – Year 5. Gieber reported that KCDD would be submitting written suggestions.

Exec. Mtg:

Linnenkamp motioned to go into Executive Meeting. King second. Meeting began at 10:09am. Executive meeting was adjourned at 10:30am with no action was taken. Public meeting continued at 10:30am.

Legislative Updates:

KCDD provided testimony on KanCare pilot issues and the Employment First Commissions report. We are watching several bills including HB 2744 Insurance coverage for autism SB 271 Amending the Kansas Medicaid fraud control act. SB Mistreatment of an elder or dependent adult the Legislative Post Audit of the CDDO should be released soon. Federal legislation has possible action on WIA/VR reauthorization, Seclusion and Restraint in Schools.

There are changes occurring with Companion services on wage and hour issues
HHS CMS regulations on most integrated settings
Separation of Case Management Services from Service Provisions under the Affo

KCDD Retreat: May 8-9, 2014 in Abilene, KS. More information will be provided at a later date.

Votes: Santiago motion to approve November 15, 2013 minutes. Linnenkemp second. Motion carried.

King made a motion for KCDD Retreat to be held in Abilene, KS. Santiago second. Motion carried.

Bill Story made a request for KCDD to help with funds for registration and lodging to attend the Policy Disability Conference in Washington, DC and SABLE Conference. No vote was made until more information was provided to the council. Call in votes later approved Bill Story for funding.

Adjournment: 2:00

2014 KCDD Meeting Dates:

- * **May 8-9, 2014** – Abilene, KS
- * **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