

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CITY OF CULVER CITY,
CALIFORNIA

June 8, 2011
6:15 P.M.

FINAL

Call to Order & Roll Call

The meeting of the Disability Advisory Committee was called to order at 6:25 P.M. in the Senior Center Conference Room.

Members Present: Dr. Jay Shery, Chairperson
Barbara Effros-Schwartz, Vice Chair
Karen Hassan, Member
Robyn Tenesap, Member
Monique Watts, Member
Neil Rubenstein, Member
Absent Unexcused: Dr. Robert Montgomery
Staff Present: Darren Uhl, *Disability Services Specialist*
Debbie Cahill, *Senior & Social Services Specialist*
Cindee Zisner, *Instructor of Programs for People with Disabilities*
Carol Schwab, *City Attorney*
Guests: Catherine Yanda, *PRCS Commission Appointee*
Grace Elliot, *DAC Appointee*

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Approval of Minutes of the April 13, 2011 Meeting

DAC PASSED TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF APRIL 13, 2011 WITH THE INCLUSION OF ONE ADDITION/CORRECTION.

Receipt of Correspondence

None.

Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

Grace Elliott, newly appointed DAC member whose term begins in July of 2011, was present and introduced herself to the committee.

Audience Participation for Items on the Agenda

No speaker cards were submitted.

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Presentation Items

Item P-1

A presentation by the DAC for departing member Karen Hassan was made honoring her 16 years of service to the community. Chairperson Dr. Jay Shery presented her with a plaque, staff presented her with flowers and balloons, and her husband Steve Hassan and long-time friend Carol Schwab were present for the occasion. Cake and refreshments were served.

Item P-2

DAC member Monique Watts gave a presentation on Ability First, where she is currently the Director of the Harry A. Mier Center. Ability First offers a broad range of programs and services to help children and adults with physical and developmental disabilities realize their full potential through their lives. These include: afterschool programs, physical therapy, adult day programs, work programs with job coaching, respite for families, and more.

The organization began in 1926 as the Crippled Children's Society and changed their name in 1999. Currently they provide service in 24 Southern California locations. These include a year-round mountain camp in the Sand Bernardino National Forrest as well as 12 properties with accessible housing through partnership with the federal department of Housing & Urban Development.

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Agenda Items

Item A-1

Report on City Council Appointee to DAC Seat #3.

It was reported that Grace Elliott had been appointed to a four-year term in seat #3, which was formerly held by Karen Hassan.

Item A-2

Report on Proposal to City Council to Add Two Additional Seats to the DAC.

Staff Darren Uhl informed the committee that, at their meeting on Monday, June 13, the City Council would be considering the DAC proposal to add two additional seats to the committee, and that Barbara Effros-Schwartz had been appointed to attend the meeting and speak on the matter.

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Items from Staff & Other Business

Staff Darren Uhl shared that the new PRCS Director was unable to be at the meeting this evening due to a conflicting budget meeting, but that we was looking forward to attending a meeting in the near future.

Mr. Uhl also shared that press releases and letters would be going out shortly advertising for commendation nominees who serve persons with disabilities within the community. Traditionally one commendation is made to an individual and one to an organization during Disability Awareness Month in October.

Lastly, a consensus of those present agreed to hold the first special planning meeting for Disability Awareness Month (led by staff) on Wednesday, July 13 at 6:15 p.m. in the Senior Center Conference Room.

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Future Agenda Items

The following suggestions were made: 1) Presentation by Barbara Effros-Schwartz 2) Further Discussion Regarding the Annual Disability Awareness Month Events; 3) Discussion of Disability Awareness Month Commendations; 4) Update on Summer Concert Series Seating

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Adjournment

There being no further business, at 7:16 p.m., the DAC adjourned to the next regular meeting to be held on Wednesday, August 10, 2011 at 6:15 pm.

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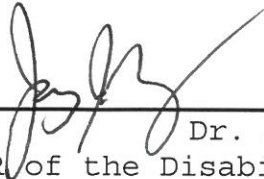


Darren Uhl

Staff SECRETARY of the Disability Advisory Committee

APPROVED

9-7-11



Dr. Jay Shery
CHAIR of the Disability Advisory Committee
City of Culver City, California

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that, on the date below written, these minutes were filed in the Office of the City Clerk, City of Culver City, California and constitute the Official Minutes of said meeting.

Martin R. Cole
CITY CLERK

Date

9-14-11

By:


Ela Valladares, City Clerk