



Indiana Protection & Advocacy Services Commission  
Indiana Disability Rights  
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Indiana Protection & Advocacy Services Commission – IPASC  
Public Meeting Date: February 21, 2025  
1:30pm – 3:30pm (EST)  
Minutes

Commission Attendees: S. Fulton, D. Heffelman, L. Hoops, H. Stephenson, R. Vilensky, K. Dodson, C. Huston, R. Johnson.

Absent: A. O'Haver, Sen. Vaneta Becker, Rep. Elizabeth Rowray, J. Radzinski, R. Lay, S. Simmons, J. Nichols.

IDR Attendees: M. Keyes, S. Taylor, E. Munson, D. Morris, N. Henry, M. Alter, M. McCullough, T. Frayer, D. Ward, S. Stites, A. Jarrett, M. Wickham, C. Ewoldt, H. Blevins.

Guests: J. Akers, T. Crishon, D. Hart, M. Kienzynski, M. Dalrymple.

ASL Interpreters: L. Voltz, A. Myers

- I. Call to Order – Meeting was called to order at 2:07pm by D. Heffelman.
- II. Introductions – Introductions by Commission members, IDR staff, and meeting guests were done.
- III. Changes to Agenda, if any – One change was made. R. Vilensky asked for a motion that any complaints the Commission receives involving a SOI staff member must first be reviewed by SPD (State Personnel Department). H. Stephenson made the motion; D. Heffelman seconded. Roll-call vote was taken with the following results: 7-Yea, 0-Nay, 1-Abstain. Motion carried by a majority vote.
- IV. Approval of Minutes from: November 24, 2024\* – K. Dodson motioned that the Minutes from the 11-24-2024 meeting be approved; C. Huston seconded. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote approving the 11-24-2024 minutes.
- V. Reports:
  - A. Bylaws Subcommittee – No new updates.
  - B. Membership Subcommittee\* (A. O'Haver) – No new updates.
  - C. Strategic Planning Subcommittee (A. O'Haver) – No new updates.
  - D. Mental Health Advisory Council (R. Vilensky) – R. Vilensky shared that her term on the MHAC will end in August 2025, as well as one other council member.
  - E. ED Report/Quarterly Report (M. Keyes) – M. Keyes asked members to forward their questions or comments to her.
  - F. Finance Report\* (M. Keyes) – M. Keyes gave an overview of the Finance Report and asked for any questions or comments. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote approving the Finance Report.
- VI. Old Business: No new updates.

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- VII. New Business:
  - A. Legislative – Members were referred to the legislative report for updates.
- VIII. Comments, other business, announcements: Two guests had comments: Dee Ann Hart and Misty Kienzynski stated they are interested in receiving Legislative Updates. M. Keyes stated she would send them meeting packets. R. Johnson made comments related to DEI, 504, and ADA. M. Wickham spoke of her confidence in M. Keyes' leadership abilities. T. Frayer shared her perspective on M. Keyes' leadership.
- IX. Next Meeting Date: **May 23, 2025 (Tentative)**
- X. Meeting Adjournment\*: D. Heffelman asked for a motion to adjourn. R. Vilensky made the motion; K. Dodson seconded. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 2:45pm (EST).

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\*Voting Items