



Indiana Protection & Advocacy Services Commission
Indiana Disability Rights
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Indiana Protection & Advocacy Services Commission
Public Meeting – November 22, 2024 – 1:30pm

Minutes

Commission Attendees: A. O'Haver, R. Lay, J. Radzinski, T. Crishon, K. Dodson, H. Stephenson, C. Huston, J. Nichols, S. Fulton, D. Heffelman, R. Vilensky, L. Hoops. Absent: R. Johnson, S. Simmons

IDR Attendees: M. Keyes, E. Munson, S. Adams, A. Jarrett, T. Frayer, M. Wickham, D. Morris

ASL Interpreters: A. Allen, L. Wilder

Guests: Matthew Parrette, Dr. Courtney Jarrett, Michelle Sweeney

- I. Call to Order – A. O'Haver called the meeting to order at 1:35pm.
- II. Introductions – All meeting attendees introduced themselves.
- III. Changes to Agenda, if any – No changes noted.
- IV. Approval of Minutes from 08-23-2024 Meeting* - J. Radzinski made a motion to approve minutes; seconded the motion. Motion carried approving 08-23-2024 meeting minutes by unanimous voice-vote.
- V. Reports:
 - A. By-Laws Subcommittee – No update.
 - B. Membership Subcommittee* (A. O'Haver) – A. O'Haver stated that the IPAS Commission is full. Anyone interested in applying for membership should be directed to contact either her, J. Radzinski, or M. Keyes.
 - C. ED Evaluation Subcommittee* (A. O'Haver) – A. O'Haver stated that M. Keyes provided the commission with a Self-Assessment Rating of Successful. D. Heffelman made the motion to approve the rating; R. Lay seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote approving the rating.
 - D. Strategic Planning Subcommittee (A. O'Haver) – A. O'Haver asked for any comments and stated she will soon begin discussions on availability of future training.
 - E. Mental Health Advisory Council (R. Vilensky) – R. Vilensky stated that the MHAC is full.
 - F. ED Report/Quarterly Report (M. Keyes) – M. Keyes stated she is looking forward to feedback on report formatting. We received a lot of feedback regarding our investigations. M. Keyes stated that the interview process is about to begin for the Legal Director position.

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- G. Finance Report* (M. Keyes) – M. Keyes reviewed the budget with the members. J. Nichols and K. Dodson both made a motion to approve the Finance Report; S. Fulton seconded the motion. Motion carried approving the Finance Report by unanimous voice vote.
- VI. Old Business:
 - A. Quarterly Report Update (M. Wickham) – M. Wickham gave an overview of changes that have been made to the quarterly reports, that the report will be a web page versus a .pdf.
- VII. New Business:
 - A. CRMNF Report (T. Frayer) – T. Frayer shared that she will send out a report on this.
 - B. 2025 Meeting Dates (A. O'Haver) – Members discussed 2025 meeting dates. It was suggested that May 16 be the meeting date for that quarter. S. Simmons shared that she has a conflict with the time of meetings since she now has a job with a school system. M. Keyes stated she will send out a poll to gauge member availability for meetings.
- VIII. Comments, other business, announcements:

M. Sweeney, a guest, discussed some of the issues she is having with her son's school. She asked if anyone could provide resources that she could contact to possibly provide assistance. It was suggested that she contact IDR Intake, as well as The Arc. H. Stephenson also stated that she will try to provide Ms. Sweeney with some information.
- IX. Next Meeting Date: Friday, February 21, 2025 (Tentative)
- X. Meeting Adjourned – The meeting was adjourned at 3:55pm.

*Voting Items

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