

IOWA DD Council

Preparation, Participation, Power

Attendees:

Council Members

Kristen Aller	Thomas Mayes
Alecia Balduf	Kelley Rice
Roxanne Cogil	Rob Roozeboom
Kristine Dreckman	Mark Schneider
Al Fagerlund	Judy Warth
Jason Goulden	Brady Werger
Kitty Hedderich	Jean Willard
Kitty Hedderich	Brian Wines
Elyn Holton-Dean	Russel Wood
Jane Hudson	
Brian Majeski	
Drew Mannatt	

Staff

Lindsay Leonetti
Brooke Lovelace
Rik Shannon

Members Absent

Rob Fisher
Jennifer Olson

Guests:

Josh Ellis, Connie Faneslow, Jay Goulden,
Scott Hedderich, Mark Hines,
John McCalley, Lisa Yunek

Call to order:

Council Chair Dreckman called Iowa Developmental Disabilities Council (DD Council) meeting to order on November 14, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. and a quorum was present.

[Agenda Item/Approval of minutes and agenda.](#)

Discussion: Holton – Dean made a motion to approve the September meeting minutes. Wood seconded. Motion passed. Cogil made a motion to approve the agenda for the November 14, 2019 meeting. Warth seconded. Motion passed.

[Agenda item/Executive Committee Report:](#)

Discussion: A phone conference for the executive committee was held on September 18, 2019. The following items were discussed.

- The council would like to partner with Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services (IVRS) to fund their Statewide Employment Conference that will be held in August of 2020. The budget would be \$20,000.
- There is opportunity to contract with Iowa Department of Human Rights for 2 projects. The first is called Future AccessAble. This project will facilitate the development and implementation of a pilot project to host a series of six half-day training sessions for up to 25 young Iowans with disabilities. The budget for this project is \$41,000.
- The second project supports further development and implementation of the Talent Bank work that we are doing with Iowa Department of Human Rights. Budget for this project is \$20,000.

- On September 20, 2019 Lovelace sent an email to all of the Executive Committee members requesting the approval of a project with Department of Human Services to train on how to implement a plan focused on individuals with multi-occurring complex needs including Developmental Disabilities to increase commitment. The Executive Committee approved the purchase via email on September 23, 2019.

The Executive Committee approved funding for all of these projects, and the Full Council was able to ratify them at this meeting. Mayes seconded. Motions passed.

- 2020 is the 50th Anniversary of the Developmental Disabilities Act. Dreckman asked if the council would have any suggestions about how to commemorate the event and if the council would like to partner with any other agencies (Department of Human Rights, University of Iowa, Harkin Institute, and Vocational Rehabilitation). Warth offered to reach out and coordinate efforts with University of Iowa, and DD Council staff will explore some options as well.
- Rik Shannon will be retiring on December 31, 2019 after 23 years of service with the DD Council. Lovelace will work with the Department of Administrative Services to fill his position.
- Council member Kliegel resigned. Lovelace is working with the Governor's Office to fill this opening with a family member of a person with a disability. Council member Olson resigned from the Council on November 18, 2019. Lovelace will work with the Governor's office to appoint a self-advocate.
- The Executive Committee recommended that Director Lovelace be given the authority to be able to spend up to \$1,000 for anything that falls outside of the conference sponsorship guidelines. Roozeboom seconded. Motion passed. Cogil abstained.

[Agenda Item / State Plan discussion 2022-2026](#)

- Lovelace provided the Council with a description of the State plan and how Staff and Council determined the activities that are already on the state plan as well as how we add activities to it. Discussed timeline and how the committee and staff will develop the plan. Discussed more collaboration with other state agencies and other institutions. Presented two options to the Council that were recommended by the Executive Committee.
 - Form a State Plan Committee made up of Council members
 - The Executive Committee will develop the State Plan and present to the Council for approval.
- Discussion by Council members on both options leading to a motion by Roozeboom second by Warth to have the Executive committee take the lead on forming the State plan but to be open to having other members participate and help. Monthly meetings will be held and the whole Council will be invited to participate. Motion passed.

[Agenda Item / 2019 & 2020 Council Support Budget and Obligation Status](#)

- The Council over obligated funds from our 2018 award. Lovelace discussed the current contracts' duration and details. Hudson asked if we could have someone from the University of

Iowa Mentoring program speak at a future meeting. Werger said he would be willing and Lovelace will contact a couple of other participants to have them present at the January council meeting. The Council overspent about \$8,200, so all of the 2017 award has been spent. The \$8,200 of overspending will be taken out of the 2018 award after we reconcile with Department of Human Services fiscal staff

Agenda Item / 2019 & 2020 Council Support Budget and Obligation Status

- Shannon went over the 2019 Make Your Mark Conference that took place in Iowa City on September 26-27, 2019. There were 172 people in total attendance, and the survey results were positive and provided some ideas/changes for next year.

Agenda Item / Legislative Preview

- Amy Campbell from Campbell Patterson Consulting provided a preview of the 2020 Iowa Legislative session. The Council and Campbell Patterson provide a legislative guide every year that is available in print and online. The guides are constantly being updated with the current information and the latest guides/information are always going to be online. Campbell said the Governor is going to be focusing on workforce and employment which may provide an opportunity for advocates ensure that Iowans with disabilities are included in those discussions.

Agenda Item / Kristin Haar with the Iowa Department of Transportation

- Kristin Haar gave a presentation on the public transit programs in Iowa. Provided information on regional, state and local travel, and how residents can find out more information or inquire about resources. Power point presentation will be available on the DD Council website under meeting materials.

Agenda Item / Council Member Updates

- Council Member Jacob asked about an opportunity with National Down Syndrome society and meeting with your legislator.
- Council member Hudson shared that November 18, 2019 is the deadline to apply for a satellite caucus giving voters who cannot attend their designated precinct the ability to participate.
- Council member Schneider thanked Brooke and the DD Council for coming to Washington County for the community conversations and the intelligent lives showing.
- Council member Dreckman encouraged the members to spotlight a person with disabilities and highlighting someone from our community with DD and getting a list together to feature someone on our website.

Agenda Item / Public Comment

- Mark Hines (University of Iowa): Currently Iowa states that if someone who is under guardianship can't vote without the approval of a judge. He briefly talked to the council about ways to change this.
- Lisa Yunek: Council member Balduf and former council member Aaron Anderson hosted a showing of "Intelligent Lives" in Mason City. Ms. Yunek also suggested assigning roles to give to people on the council to increase involvement by council members in the council meeting

- Scott Hedderich: Asked the council members without disabilities to think about how the information is disseminated through the council, and having information that is better relatable to people with disabilities. He suggested we give out information to people who have disabilities so that everyone can understand. Warth suggested sending out the materials ahead of time to have members go over.

Aller motion to adjourn. Balduf seconded. Meeting adjourned at 2:41