

Disability Advisory Board Meeting

November 14, 2016

The meeting of the Orange County Disability Advisory Board was called to order at 2:05 pm on November 14, 2016 at Health Services Administration, 2010 E. Michigan St., Facilities Training Center Meeting Room, Orlando, FL 32806. Chairperson Fernandez opened the meeting and conducted the roll call. Board members present were: Chairperson Jose Fernandez, Brian Michaels, Elizabeth McCarthy and Kirk Root. Absent were: Vice-Chair Reinaldo Vazquez, Tiffany Namey and Joe Waczewski. A quorum was not present.

Welcome and Introductions

Chairperson Fernandez welcomed board members and attendees to the 8th meeting of the year. Board members and attendees introduced themselves with name and organization. Others present were Family Services Administrator and Interim ADA Advisor, Dianne Arnold and Family Services Project Coordinator, Judi Kerr; Community Advisors – Sue Koziol, Quest Inc., John Hurt, Center for Independent Living and Presenters: Tommie Maldonado, Orange County Veterans Services; Priscila Kalagian, Mission United; Armando Correo, Mission United and Robert Cravatta, Orlando Veterans Administration.

Meeting Minutes Approval

Board members were issued copies of the draft minutes from September 12, 2016 meeting. Minutes were not approved at this time due to no quorum.

Presentation

This meeting's scheduled presentation was related to Veterans' services. Presenters included Tommie Maldonado with Orange County Veterans Services Priscila Kalagian and Armando Correo with Mission United and Robert Cravatta with the Orlando Veterans Administration, respectively. Each offered separate presentations on their agency's services for Veterans.

Community Advisors

- John Hurt with CIL reported that they are planning their Annual Rampage which will take place in February and March of 2017. They need sponsors to assist with cost of supplies for the ramps and volunteers to assist with building the ramps, more information to follow. Hurt also reported that they will be holding a Silent Night Event on December 15, 2016.
- Sue Koziol with Quest, Inc. reported that their 48 unit independent living apartment complex is being built and they anticipate that the groundbreaking ceremony will be in January. Koziol said construction should be complete in 8 or 9 months. For those interested in living at the Quest Village or donating time or materials, an inquiry can be completed on the Quest, Inc. website.
- ADA Advisor Dianne Arnold reported for Tim May with LYNX who was unable to make it to this meeting. Arnold stated that the Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinator Board is looking for new board members. She handed out the notice to attendees.

Old Business

No old business at this time.

New business/Items for Awareness

No new business at this time.

Board Business/Discussion Items

No board business at this time.

Board Member Reports

Fernandez reported that board member Reinaldo Vazquez resigned effective November 14, 2016. Michaels reports that the Division of Blind Services is working with

Lighthouse of Central Florida on Final Regulations for their State plan. No other board members have anything to report.

ADA Advisor Report

Interim Advisor Arnold reported on the status the ADA Advisor position.

Public Comments

No public comments requests at this meeting.

Meeting Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:57 pm. The next meeting will be held on Monday, December 8, 2016, at 2010 E. Michigan St., Facilities Training Center, Orlando, FL, 32806. Any changes will be noted in the posted meeting agenda per Orange County regulations regarding meeting notifications.