Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities

**Quarterly Council Meeting**

**January 14 -15, 2021**

**Atlanta, Georgia**

**M I N U T E S**

Present: Lori Campbell, Mark Crenshaw, Sharon DeMille, Wesley Ford, Dorothy Harris, Rena Harris, Teresa Heard, Debbie Hibben, Nandi Issac, Dana Lloyd, Lisa Newbern, Evan Nodvin, Nick Perry, Debi Regin, Thom Snyder, Zo Stoneman,

I. Welcome

Evan Nodvin, Interim Chairperson welcomed members and made the following announcements.

* April Council meeting is April 15-16. We plan to still be on a Zoom call for this meeting.
* On January 26th we will have the first showing of the film 6,000 Waiting. You will receive information on how to attend the film
* Advocacy Days are
  + January 27th: Home and Community Based Services
  + February 16th: Inclusive Post Secondary Education
  + March 2nd: Employment
* Members were provided with a conflict of interest form and asked to send back to Eric Jacobson when completed.

II. Elections

The Council voted for the following people to be on the Executive Committee:

Nick Perry, Chairperson

Teresa Heard, Vice-Chairperson

At Large Members

Mark Crenshaw

Debbie Hibben

Evan Nodvin

III. Strategic Planning

McKenzie Wren lead Council members and staff in discussions about the GCDD planning process. See attached Power Point.

Friday, January 15, 2021

IV. Old Business: Consent Agenda Issues

Evan Nodvin reported that GCDD uses a consent agenda so that we do not spend our time reviewing reports and can instead discuss more important issues. He reported that it is Council members responsibilty to read the items before the meeting and if you have questions get with Eric Jacobson or Kate Brady. The items on the consent agenda were:

* Minutes from the October meeting,
* Quarterly Program Report
* Quarterly Financial Report
* Grievance Policy

Nandi Issac made a motion to adopt the consent agenda. Lisa Newbern seconded the motion. Debbie Hibben brought up concerns about the Grievance Policy and asked that it be withheld and discussed later. The Council members voted to not approve the Consent Agenda. Debbie Hibben moves to remove the Grievance Policy for further discussion with the Executive Committee. Dana Lloyd seconded the motion. **The Council unanimously approved the motion to adopt the Consent Agenda except the Grievance Policy.**

V, Strategic Planning

McKenzie Wren continued working with members on the strategic planning process

VI. New Magazine Platform .

Hillary Hibben presented on a new web based platform for the GCDD magazine and newsletter.

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