**PRESENT**
Lori Campbell
Mark Crenshaw
Wesley Ford
Babs Hall
Dorothy Harris
Rena Harris
Nandi Isaac
Dana Lloyd
Lisa Newbern
Evan Nodvin
Sharifa Peart
Nick Perry
Zo Stoneman

**GCDD**
Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities
Quarterly Council Meeting
April 14 - 15, 2022

**NEXT MEETING**
July 14-15, 2022
Hybrid Meeting!

**WELCOME,**
Babs Hall & Sharifa Peart!
Kate Brady resigns effective May 1
Exec committee decided not to hire new DD - waiting for new ED.

**THE COUNCIL VOTED TO...**
Adopt the Consent Agenda
Adopt the following proposals:
- Advancing Employment - IHDD
- Technology White Paper - Blue Fire
- Storytelling - L'Arche Atlanta
- SDM - GAO

Approve the Audit Response & send to ACL
Approve motion to form ad hoc group to address disability
Approve motion to appt ad hoc group: creating a policy identity or people 1st

**CONSENT AGENDA**
- Jan Meeting Minutes
- Program Report
- Financial Report
LEGISLATIVE WRAP UP

BILLS
- SB 610
- HB 412
- SR 613
- HB 1008
- SR 770
- HB 1913

PASSED

LETS TALK BUDGET WINS
- 513 NEW NOW/COMP WAIVERS
- $4.9M 2% PROVIDER RATE INCREASE
- TWO DIRECT BUDGET WINS
- $500K RESPITE SERVICES
- $400K GEORGIA OPTIONS
- $16.875 MATTHEW REARDON AUTISM CENTER
- $250K NON EMERGENCY NON MEDICAL TRANSPLO SERVICES

2022 VIRTUAL ADVOCACY DAYS

DAY 1: DSP WAGES
DAY 2: NOW/COMP WAIVERS
DAY 3: ADVANCING EMPLOYMENT

180 PARTICIPANTS

1560 EMAILS SENT
855 ADVOCATES PARTICIPATED

REMINDER!! 2022 = ELECTION YR
- VOTING INITIATIVES
- PLANNING A CANDIDATE FORUM

SUMMER VISITS
START MAKING THOSE CONNECTIONS NOW, YALL...
DD COUNCIL ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES
WORKING TOGETHER TOWARDS OUR SHARED VISION

GOVERNANCE
THE COUNCIL DETERMINES THE WHAT & THE HOW
HOW DO WE DO?
WHAT DID WE LEARN?

ACTING WITH INTEGRITY & AS A GROUP
MAKING SURE WE'RE FOLLOWING THE RULE BOOK
GOTTA PROTECT THE PUBLIC'S TRUST!
SPREAD THE WORD & THE PEOPLE!

MAINTENANCE

THE DD COUNCIL

VOLUNTEERS REPRESENTING PPL WITH I/DD, THEIR FAMS, & COMMUNITY LIVING

EXECUTOR
SOLE EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNCIL
IN CHARGE OF MAKIN' STUFF HAPPEN!
& HIRING THE FOLKS WHO WILL HELP!

STAFF & COUNCIL
PROVIDES SUPPORT TO THE COUNCIL

MAINTENANCE OF THE COUNCIL

A STATE ENTITY THAT GETS $$$ FROM CONGRESS
LOOKED AFTER BY ACL

LINK BETWEEN THE STAFF & COUNCIL
**People 1st**  
I identify as a person first!  
Both are okay!

**Identity 1st**  
I want to be known thru my disability first!

GCDD uses  
People 1st aligns w/ DD ACT!

Not a 'vs.' situation...  
This is deeply personal & everyone has different thoughts

**What can we do?**  
Be respectful & recognize that everyone wants to be reflected differently

Host town hall meetings to gather input & create a policy→July meeting
2022 Proposals

Recommendations

22PR2 Storytelling — L'Arche
22SA2 SDM. — GAO
22DIV3 Tech White Paper — Blue Fire
22SC5 Employment T.A. — UGA Research Foundation

How can we bring new folks to the table?
- Targeted outreach
- Marketing

We need to continue with these groups though...
With Participant Direct... I get to live a life that I want & with support from folks who know me well & believe in me...

Living my best life in my community.

Is all that hard work going out the window?

How do we make sure they live a rich life?

What are the options?

Recommendations:
- Create a database
- Develop provider capacity & recruit new DSPs
- Examine abuse, neglect & exploitation

Aging & Disability

What happens after Participant Direct?

It's an important piece of the bigger GCDD conversation

Where does aging fit?

What is the Council's responsibility?
**GAO**

Working w/ People 1st addressing vaccine hesitancy

*Public Grant*

Working on policy briefs w/ CPR

SDM Project:

Hosted citizen advocacy & SDM event in Savannah

**Prepping for New Fiscal Yr!**

Babs Hall to oversee contracts for centers 4 ind living!

**Agency Updates**

**Finalizing our 5 yr plan**

In 1st of 3 yr grant working w/ campus career center to support needs of autistic students

Nat’l Peer Mentor Group w/ Emory

**CLD**

Finishing 11th GA Lend cohort so far trained 220 leaders

Partnering w/ Univ of Kentucky

Connecting UCEDDS & Lend programs

6th Aug’d in June

**DPH**

Healthcare Transition Space

Coordinating w/ P2P to facilitate healthcare transition workshops

Ensuring youth & young adults are prepared to move from kid → adult space