



Board Meeting April 3, 2018

PRESENT: Donene Feist, FVND (phone); Carlotta McCleary, Federation of Families, MHAND, MHAN; Teresa Larsen, P&A; Julie Horntvedt, SCDD; Mike Chaussee, AARP; Kirsten Dvorak, The Arc of ND; Allan Peterson, NDAB (phone); Steven Beard, ALL (phone); Marcia Hettich, CFN (phone); Roxane Romanick, Designer Genes [13 of 16 members present]

OTHERS PRESENT: Scott Fry, Consensus Council

Chair Horntvedt called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Members provided updates:

Horntvedt: SCDD should have RFPs out by June 1 on Health, Transition, and Employment. Are convening their Health Conference on September 21 (9/21) in Bismarck at the Events Center. The plan for the Health Conference is being developed by steering committee. On May 16 – 17 ALL is bringing the “On The Go” Self-Advocacy Group from Maryland for a presentation. The ALL meeting on May 16 is to be followed by the Supportive Decision-Making Focus Group IVN. Horntvedt requested the opportunity to talk to NDDAC about possibly funding the cost of dinner on the 16th since it would be a long day and neither SCDD nor P&A can spend federal monies on food. The item was added to the NDDAC agenda under general business.

Chaussee: National AARP is conducting the second round of their Livable Communities Challenge Grants. The Challenge Grants provide \$1 Million to projects around the country. Last year the Challenge Grant project in North Dakota was the Popup Pathway. The Popup Pathway was selected from 5 proposals submitted last year.

Bismarck and Fargo Shred Events are scheduled for April 21 from 8 to noon. The Bismarck Location is the Gateway Mall, and the Fargo location is the West Acres Mall. They will have on-site shredding trucks.

AARP is putting on Healthy Living Lunch and Learns in May.

- May 9, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m – Bismarck Ramkota Hotel
- May 10, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Minot Grand National Hotel
- May 15, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Grand Forks Alerus Center
- May 16, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Fargodome

This summer they are holding 9 Passport for Healthy Living events that include hiking, golf, paddle boards, kayaking, and yoga. These events are open to everyone.

- Passport to Healthy Living Kickoff
 - Wednesday, April 18 at the Capital Ice Complex from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- Biking BisMan
 - Saturday, May 5 at Cottonwood Park from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Putts and Pints
 - Monday, May 7 at Riverwood Golf Course from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Hiking and History
 - Wednesday, June 13 at Fort Abraham Lincoln State Park from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The organization's focus this election cycle is going to be on Get Out the Vote (GOTV).

Chausee reported on the Aging Symposium that he attended last week, specifically on the speech that DHS Executive Director Chris Jones gave to kick off the Symposium. Jones indicated that when he took the position with DHS he thought the biggest problem North Dakota was facing was Obesity but has since shifted his focus to what he thinks is a larger problem, Loneliness.

Feist: Have 25 people registered to attend FVND's Leadership Conference but have room for 2-3 more people. They will be conducting Focus Groups on Health across the states that will also be in conjunction with a state-wide survey. They are also holding a Care Coordination Conference in Dickinson on April 14-15. FVND reports an increase in the number of calls received from people in crisis. Also, brought up the fact that CMS has required DHS to add to the Autism Waiver the requirement for an autism diagnosis a psychiatrist or psychologist before a diagnosis would be official.

Larsen: Spoke about the Supported Decision-Making Project that SCDD is funding, there will be two IVNs, one on May 16 in the evening, and one on May 17 during the day. P&A and other state agencies are expecting the Governor's Budget Direction on April 18. Larsen was recently in DC and learned about possible funding from the Help America Vote Act to provide monies to states for voting machines. The current voting machines North Dakota uses that provide accessibility and accommodation are old Automarks. A possible letter to the Secretary of State's office from NDDAC to provide input on new voting machines was added to the NDDAC agenda in general business. Feist brought up the possibility of working with TurboVote.org. Larsen and McCleary indicated they would be willing to work with Scott on a letter to the Secretary of State.

Peterson: Is retraining his brain to work with his new "bionic" eye. NDAB is preparing for Walk for Vision which is occurring April 28 in Grand Forks, Bismarck, and Minot. The NDAB Convention will be June 6-10 and will feature Blind Joe. Camp will be held in the second week of August. Recently traveled to Washington, D.C. to talk to the ND Congressional delegation about legislation that impacts people without vision.

McCleary: MHAND is preparing for May as Mental Health Awareness Month. They have green ribbons available for people. May 7-13 is Children's Mental Health Awareness Week. MHAND is working with Bismarck Downtowners Association on other events in Bismarck. CFN's conference is April 30 – May 2 in Fargo. NDDAC has provided \$175 in support of the event. Senator Judy Lee is speaking at the event. FFN's conference is scheduled for July 15-16 at the Bismarck Radisson. National Youth Move and Climb Theater will be speaking. FFN is also getting ready for their Photo Voice Project this year in June.

Hettich: CFN's Conference is April 30-May 2 in Fargo. 90 people are registered to attend this year. Hettich attended the NDFU/NDSU Farm Stress conference, information about the conference call be found through NDSU.

Dvorak: The Arc of Dickinson is doing well with an art program that is upcycling products. The project was funded by a Consensus Council/Bush Foundation Community Innovation Grant. The Arc of Cass County is conducting a training on the new Medicaid payment system for DD services on May 21, 2018.

Beard: Has registered for a webinar on financial literacy scheduled for April 18 from 1 – 3 pm.

Romanick: Designer Genes is working with families struggling with the fact that travel is not being covered by Medicaid. DHS has taken travel coverage out of the DD waiver because it was required to be put in the state plan. They have a contract with Terry Colehaven to train people about appropriate sexuality. The 15th Annual Buddy Walk is scheduled for May 22, 2018. Has been working on advocacy around Early Intervention Services with Friends of Part C and Early Intervention. To support this advocacy, they are doing Odd Numbered Legislative District outreach.

[LUNCH BREAK]

GENERAL BUSINESS OF THE BOARD:

- 1) Review & Approval of NDDAC board minutes of 1/28/18
McCleary moved for approval; Dvorak seconded; Passed unanimously.
- 2) Review & Approval of Financial Reports
Postponed to 7/13 Meeting because Fry and Murry did not put together 2018 budget. (Fry and Murray will put together 2018 and 2019 budget for the 7/13 Meeting.
- 3) Directors and Officers Insurance
Peterson moved the acceptance and payment of Directors and Officers Insurance; Larsen seconded; passed unanimously.

PUBLIC POLICY ISSUES, INTERIM COMMITTEES

- HR 620 – No action – Monitor for Future Efforts.
- DD Stakeholders Meeting
Motion to have Horntvedt request information about the next steps regarding the DD Stakeholders meetings. Larsen moved, McCleary seconded, passed unanimously.

- Voting Machines
McCleary, DeWitz, Horntvedt, and Fry will write letter to the Secretary of State offering to provide input on voting machines. McCleary moved, Romanick seconded, passed unanimously.
- Support for The Arc of Cass County New Payment System Training
\$365 for meeting costs to The ARC of Cass County (mailed to them). Romanick moved, Horntvedt seconded, passed unanimously.
- Dinner Costs for ALL Training and evening IVN on Supported Decision Making.
Up to \$2000 billed to NDDAC for dinner and the purchase of a replacement banner and develop a brochure about NDDAC. McCleary Moved, Romanick seconded, passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Disability Awareness Day – Jan. 31, 2019
- Legislative Training Institute in 2018 – After November Election and before Thanksgiving. Murry and Fry will meet with Judy DeWitz to discuss her interest in contracting to do the coordinating for this event. McCleary and Horntvedt offered to help plan the LTI with DeWitz. Chaussee indicated he would follow up with Askvig about LTI.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING & ADJOURN

Friday, July 13, 2018 - 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.