



**Disability  
CDFA Advisory  
Committee**

**Disability Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes  
Held on Wednesday, May 10 , 2023  
Via Zoom**

**DAC MEMBERS:**

Member Present: Justin Hopper (Chair), Mandy Murray, Genevieve Walden, Everado Mendes, Jessica Billingsley (Backup), Henry Vu, Tariq Atar

Members Absent: Evelyn Hernandez, Jennifer Seward, Arima Kozina, Madison McMahon

**DAC Advisors Present:** John Martin and Molly Macom

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**Call to Order**

The Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) Chair Justin Hopper called the meeting to order at 1:07pm

**ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Justin took roll call.

**READING AND APPROVAL OF APRIL MINUTES**

No objections. Jessica and Everardo moved.

**OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS REPORT**

Nothing to report re John Martin

**ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR**

No nominations. Tabled till next month

**DAC MEDIA CLUB UPDATES**

Still stalled. Justin taking off agenda. Jessica suggested a suggested reading list website instead. Genevieve liked this idea. Justin and Jessica will coordinate with Thea

Rittenhouse Arima Kozina for content and where to post. Genevieve suggested a lending library. Pausing to figure out logistics.

## **AD-HOC WORKGROUP COMMITTEES**

### **MAY EVENTS**

Mental Health Awareness Events discussion (Cal Hope lunch and learn 12 ppl atm, film festival, sound bowl 20 people atm, event at the capitol. And new mental health resources page) Section in the health and safety newsletter related to disabilities to continue the conversation.

June Pride month

### **JULY EVENTS**

**ADA anniversary/Disability Pride month – DOR lunch And Learn**

### **September**

Guide dog awareness

### **OCTOBER**

National Disability Employment Awareness Month

#### **Career Fair (October 12):**

Anastasia – staff

Genevieve – set up

Mandy – gone not available

Assignments given – meet once a month if possible outside of DAC

Nov-Dec -no event

ADA Ad hoc group- hasn't met yet. Jessica created an ERG Team channel if this group wants to use it.

PWD hiring group – June career fair – resources and QR code. Anastasia leading. Genevieve asked about incentives or resources and parity rate. Justin noted that the DAC is trying to fight the stigma about disabilities to incrementally increase reporting disabilities or hiring folks with disabilities. Diverse approach to address parity rate. Eve shared a story of a friend with dyslexia who hid her invisible disability.

## **DISCUSSION: MEMBERSHIP AND PARTICIPATION**

Sec Ross e-mailed Justin to give kudos on the DAC activities. She is impressed! 😊

Justin thanked the committee. Atar mentioned that DAC used to get a certificate from Sec Ross. Justin will check. Genevieve thanks us for all our events and Info that we send out.

### **SDAC MEETING**

June 15<sup>th</sup>

### **OPEN FORUM OPEN DISCUSSION**

Meeting occurrence – every other month – And Ad Hoc meets monthly. Mandy agreed. Teams Chanel can be used in between meetings. Henry will do his best to attend. Jessica moved and Mandy seconded. **Unanimous vote**

**Fundraising** – using a portion of the fund to pay for sound bowls. Jody noted that we can fundraise as we can't use state funds to create contacts. Cash fund and liquid. We can discuss fundraising at future meetings. Flexibility to put on events. Genevieve liked the idea of DAC sponsored events.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next DAC meeting will tentatively be held in July TBD. Tariq suggested not 4<sup>th</sup> of July week.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Justin Hopper at 2:06

Submitted by: Jessica Billingsley