



Minutes for Meeting

Mayor's Committee on Disability Concerns

Wednesday, March 13, 2019

Members Attending:

Frank Barnes, Cathy Borjas, Brittany David, Marilyn Dillon, Melanie Elliot, Scott Ellis, Larry Hopper, Jason Johnston, Adam Lane, Sidna Madden, Zubayr Rahman, Sharron Schaefer, Liz Scheffe, Dana Tallon, Christina Tran, Keith Wilkinson, Emma Woodford, Ken Wyatt

Members Absent:

Dr. Henry Asin, Herb Bailey, Vera Cheek, Diana Hubbard, Curtis Singleton

Members Excused:

Rebecca Budd, Vicky Golightly, Heather Hancock, Jackie Haverly, Jacob Hill, Sydney Lane, Jeremy Moses, Nedra Ruth, James Timberlake, Lori Wathen, Sandi Webster

CALL TO ORDER: 8:05 a.m. by Sidna Madden

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS:

Guests:

None.

New Members:

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Sidna Madden opened discussion of the minutes from the February 2019 meeting. Scott Ellis moved for approval, seconded by Cathy Borjas, minutes were approved unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Dana Tallon, Treasurer.

Beginning balance was \$ 7,527.38.

Income of 0.58 cents in interest. No expenses for the period.

Ending balance was \$7,527.96, plus the \$5.00 required checking account balance.

Sidna Madden accepted the report on behalf of the Committee.

STANDING SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

ADA Special Session Workshop

Report from Sidna Madden, Subcommittee Chair. The special session will be held the day after the luncheon, 10-11-2019, which is a Friday. Richard Sternadori is confirmed for the speaker this year.

Luncheon

Report from Dana Tallon/Cathy Borjas – Committee Co-Chairs. Nothing new to report, planning continues. Reviewed the tentative timeline.

A tentative timeline for the luncheon has been developed:

1. February/March 2019 – Confirm speaker, Mayor, and Emcee. Save the date and initial press release by the end of March
2. April 2019 – Award nominations open on 4-1-2019 – second press release announcing awards
3. May/June 2019 – Begin securing sponsorships, send out reminder updates for luncheon registration and award nominations
4. July 2019 – Award nominations close on 7-1-2019 and nomination summaries sent out to MCDC members for review
5. August 2019 – Vote on awards at MCDC meeting, notify award winners and order awards. Begin working on luncheon script and send out City Council invitations
6. September 2019 – Confirm award winner attendance, finalize script, send out reminder notices for registration deadline
7. October 2019 – Registration for the lunch closes at 5pm on 10-1-2019

Awards Committee

Report from Marilyn Dillon, Subcommittee Chair. Updated and expanded award criteria to facilitate nominations for posting to MCDC website beginning in April. In the process of securing the replacement plaque for the top half of the perpetual member of the year plaque (expense approved at a prior meeting).

Audit Committee

Report from Marilyn Dillon, Subcommittee Chair. Audit committee of Vera Cheek, Jackie Haverly, Dana Tallon, Cathy Borjas and Marilyn Dillon are meeting in April to conduct the audit for 2018.

Barrier Free Design

Report from Scott Ellis, Subcommittee Chair. Scott noted that two pending hearings were attended, and five spot inspections were conducted.

Outreach

No report from Herb Bailey, Subcommittee Chair.

Emergency Response

No report from Ken Wyatt, Subcommittee Chair.

Membership

Report from Jason Johnston, Subcommittee Chair. Jason shared a recap of the membership subcommittee activities. New member handbook is nearly complete. Committee is finalizing a schedule/location for a social event. Identification of locations, accessibility, and a date will be accomplished with final discussion at the next full MCDC meeting. Members are asked to submit date preferences in April and May as soon as possible. Jason reported that the social event has taken a different direction from an activity to the membership's preference for dinner and drinks. Christina is checking on private room options around the metro that are not too expensive or do not have a cost to reserve.

The subcommittee reviewed meeting attendance and identified five MCDC members who will receive a letter thanking them for their service. The subcommittee will contact one other individual to verify they wish to continue serving.

Public Relations

No report by Subcommittee Chair, Vicky Golightly.

Strategic Planning

Report by Subcommittee Chair, Larry Hopper. The strategic planning session was held on the alternate date of March 9, 2019 from 9am to 2pml. The facilitator was excellent. Larry reviewed the proposed four sub-committee structure and there was discussion on the MCDC's advocacy role. The subcommittee will meet again at noon on March 27, 2019.

Ways and Means

No report from Subcommittee Chair, Cathy Borjas.

NEW BUSINESS:

Disability Awareness Day

Dana Tallon reported that they had 72 exhibitors. Individuals staffing the MCDC table attempted to count visitors to the table – they believe around 460 individuals stopped by for MCDC information. The swag items were a big hit and the MCDC flyer was updated for the event.

MCDC Email

Dana Tallon reported no new emails.

Other New Business

No other new business was presented.

Reports from Boards/Commissions

Central Oklahoma Transportation and Parking Authority – Larry Hopper. Larry provided an update on the Northwest Bus Rapid Transit project that EMBARK was recently awarded a federal BUILD Grant to construct. EMBARK conducted a public open house in February and more opportunities for public engagement will happen in the future. This new rapid transit mode will run from the Downtown Transit Center, north up Classen and out Northwest Expressway to Meridian and will launch in 2023.

ADJOURN:

A motion to adjourn was made by Adam Lane, seconded by Dana Tallon; the motion passed unanimously for adjournment at 8:45 am

NEXT MEETING

April 10, 2019

8:00 am

St. Luke's United Methodist Church
222 Northwest 15th St, OKC, OK

Upcoming Dates:

3-27-2019 – MCDC Luncheon Subcommittee meeting

3-27-2019 – MCDC Strategic Planning Subcommittee meeting

4-10-2019 – Next MCDC Meeting