



COUNCIL ON
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**Council on Physical Disabilities (CPD)
Executive Committee Teleconference Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, October 8, 2020
2:00 P.M. to 3:00 PM**

Action Items and Motion Items

A. Action Items

1. **Action Item:** September Executive Committee meeting minutes review and approval to the next Executive Committee meeting.
2. **Action Item:** Jason Ostrowski reminded Executive Committee members to send by-law revisions to him or Kathy Johnson prior to the By-Laws Committee meeting on October 15, 2020.
3. **Action Item:** DHS support staff will email UW-WILL *Working for Inclusion, Leadership and Learning* Virtual Forum shared by Dr. Elizabeth Watson, University of Wisconsin System Liaison to CPD with Executive Committee members.

B. Motion Items

1. **Motion Item:** Charles Vandenplas made motion to amend the agenda to correct the meeting time on the agenda to be 2:00-3:00 P.M. and approve the October Executive Committee meeting agenda as amended. Karen Secor seconded the motion.
2. **Motion Item:** Charles Vandenplas made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Karen Secor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome and Introductions: Jason Ostrowski, Chairperson

Executive Committee members present: Karen Secor; Charles Vandenplas; Jason Ostrowski; Ben Barrett; and Jackie Gordon.

Executive Committee members absent: Not applicable.

Guests: Kathy Johnson, CPD Member-at-Large; Roberto Escamilla II, CPD, Member-at-Large; and Dr. Elizabeth Watson, University of Wisconsin System Liaison to CPD.



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DHS staff support present: Ashley Walker, Department of Health Services (DHS), Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources (BADR) and Lisa Sobczyk, DHS, BADR.

II. Jason Ostrowski, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 2:05 P.M.

The meeting was available via phone at 1-844-708-2569 and Meeting ID: 916 6364 0046 and via [Zoom](#).

III. Review and Approve October Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

- Charles Vandenplas made motion to amend the agenda to correct the meeting time on the agenda to be 2:00-3:00 P.M. and approve the October Executive Committee meeting agenda as amended. Karen Secor seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

IV. Review and Approve September Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

- This agenda item postponed until a future Executive Committee meeting due to meeting minutes not being available to the Executive Committee for review. See Action Item 1.

V. Public Comment on the State Plan for People with Physical Disabilities 2019-2021 or Issues Affecting People with Physical Disabilities

- No public comment was received.

VI. Review and Discuss Final Draft of the CPD By-Laws Changes

- CPD By-laws Committee will be meeting on October 15, 2020 and will finalize a draft for review by the full Council at this meeting.
- Jason Ostrowski reminded Executive Committee members to send by-law revisions to him or Kathy Johnson prior to the By-Laws Committee meeting on October 15, 2020. See Action Item 2.

VII. Discuss Status of the CPD State Plan for People with Disabilities, 2021-2023

- The CPD State Plan Committee will be meeting on October 26, 2020 to begin drafting the State Plan for People with Disabilities, 2022-2024.



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VIII. Discuss New Member Recruitment

- Jason Ostrowski shared that he was in the process of recruiting two new CPD members and they are working on completing membership paperwork.
- DHS Support Staff reviewed the membership list and stated there are two vacancies left to fill, even if the two members mentioned are appointed to CPD.
- Executive Committee members discussed needing membership and focusing recruitment on people living in western Wisconsin, as that geographic region is under-represented on the Council.

IX. Discuss Agenda Items for the October Quarterly CPD Meeting

- ***Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) Updates***
 - EVV will be having a 'soft launching' next month. The program will start by training agencies. Jason Ostrowski shared that there is an EVV forum coming up next week. Currently, EVV is not requiring live-ins or family members to report authorized time, and IRIS relying on participants to do timesheets.
- ***Survival Coalition Updates***
 - Survival Coalition is currently meeting every other week, the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month.
 - Survival Coalition expressed concerns about not feeling their voice is being heard.
 - Kathy Johnson will keep passing on information on the Survival Coalition activities that are relevant to CPD.
- Jason Ostrowski stated he would follow up with a potential guest speaker for the quarterly meeting from Northwestern Mutual regarding ABLE Accounts.
- COVID related disparities that individuals with disabilities are facing throughout Wisconsin.



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- Jason Ostrowski shared issues with finding in-home caregivers, and the policies they face when attending college or have a job that discourages them from participating in extra employment opportunities.
- Ben Barrett spoke about not all service providers and long term care programs offering the same services county to county.
- Ben Barrett suggested having a historical snapshot about the Community Options Program versus today's Family Care and IRIS programs.
- Dr. Elizabeth Watson, University of Wisconsin System Liaison to CPD, shared information about the UW-WILL *Working for Inclusion, Leadership and Learning* Virtual Forum: <https://www.uww.edu/ce/willforum>. DHS Support Staff will email UW-WILL Virtual Forum information to the CPD Executive Committee members. See Action Item 3.
- Roberto Escamilla II discussed adding an agenda item regarding hunting and fishing licenses for people with disabilities.

X. Adjourn

- Charles Vandenplas made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Karen Secor seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.

The meeting adjourned at 2:55 P.M.