



Advisory Council to the Division of Services of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Wednesday, January 19, 2022

Via zoom meeting 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm

Meeting Minutes

Advisory Council Members: Martin Price, Katie Greene, Cody Simonsen, Sharron James, John Galli, Larry Lee, Kim Lucas, Jim Berardino, Joe Helfrich

DSDHH Staff: Eric Roux, Melanie Sperry, Sue Ordonez, Kelly Boehmer, Pamela Mower

Visitors: Sarah Brenna, Kevin Bolander, Irene Aranow, Marie, Justin Howell, Maclain Drake

Agenda Item	Discussion	Recommendations/Actions
Welcome and Introductions	<p>Meeting started at 5:07 PM</p> <p>Excused: Chip Royce, Bradley Jones</p> <p>Chair, Martin Price welcomed all to the Advisory Council meeting.</p> <p>Approval of Minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> November 17, 2021 meeting minutes. <p>The link to the recording of the meeting: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S9GW8y-rQ2Y</p>	<p>Martin called for a motion to approve the 11/17/2021 minutes.</p> <p>Kim motioned. Larry seconded the motion.</p> <p>Minutes approved unanimously.</p>
DSDHH Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● December Highlights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Holiday Gathering for Families <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Santa and a Magician ○ Community and staff contributed to a successful Sub for Santa Event ○ Planning for 2022's VITA services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Laurie & Ron ○ Demo Room for Assistive Technology in SLC and St. George had an extensive reorganization. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Hard of Hearing and CEO teams working very hard to inventory, track and update all equipment to better serve community needs. ● We are trying to do more online events and avoid large in person events as the COVID numbers have gone up and hoping by April things will look better. ● Staff Changes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ New Hires/Promotions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ UIP - CDI (Certified Deaf Interpreter) - Malena Bonny 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ UIP - Tech - Karen Rama ○ Openings in SLC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CAS - Case manager/employment specialist ■ CAS - Communications Assessor (nationwide search) ○ Openings in St. George <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Receptionist - Offered and in process ○ We will have continuous recruiting Hard of Hearing specialists from around the state. The rural areas are in need of representation and assistance. ● Additional DSDHH Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Entered into our new MOU with Segoe Lily Center for Abused Deaf ○ Communications department is finalizing a redesign of communication systems with our CEO team ○ DSDHH is working with DFCM gathering bids on interior upgrades to make the center more appealing and to improve accessibility such as signage and lighting 	
Open Meeting Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kevin Bolander - Attorney for USOR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Required annual training about the Utah Open and Public Meetings Act ○ Click the following link to view the training handout. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> W Open Meetings Training Handout Jan2022.docx 	
Discussion of Schedule Change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● It has been proposed that Advisory Council meetings be scheduled for every other month rather than every month so that subcommittees can focus on their work during the in-between months ● Eric mentioned possibly slightly longer meetings to allow for outside speakers to present. Which would be difficult to do if meetings continue to be every month. ● The executive committee will work on the schedule of meetings to be discussed in March keeping in mind Chair and Vice Chair nominations in June. ● John mentioned being out of town for a few months over the summer and how would that work with meetings? The Chair will discuss this issue at the Executive meeting. Accommodations for having an interpreter available for a Zoom meeting will be discussed. ● Sub committees will have guidelines to determine meetings during the in-between months. 	
Roundtable Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kim for UAD - General business meeting will be coming up soon. ● John - SSP position in Weber county is still open for USBVI Chris Wakeland is the contact. ● Pamela Mower for DSDHH - asked if the Council is interested in having an email blast sent out directly to them about events and classes for DSDHH. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ asked if the Advisory Council would like a section in the DSDHH Newsletter. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kelly for DSDHH Hard of Hearing Program - There will be a kickoff on Monday that will introduce what will be happening this year as well as introducing Kelly. ● Maclain - Megaplex has been doing more Open Captioned movies. If there is a specific movie, it can be switched over to open captions at any location with 3 days advanced request as long as it is not the opening weekend. 	
Adjournment	<p>Meeting ended at 6:36 PM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Next Meeting Wednesday, March 16, 2022 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm</p>	Martin ended the meeting.