



Lafayette City-Parish President's Awareness Committee for Citizens with Disabilities

Monday, February 9, 2009
Meeting Minutes

Board Members Present:	Harold Arceneaux; Jim Richard; Deborah Aymond, Laura Breaux
Guests in Attendance:	Mark Guillory; Dan Arabie; Mary Anna Ficaro; Randy Brewer
Staff Present:	Dana McPherson; Ben Berthelot; Lou Anna Angelle

1. Jim Richard called the meeting to order.
2. Jim Richard mentioned to the committee members that Yvonne Bell turned in her resignation.
3. The January meeting minutes were approved.
4. **OLD BUSINESS:**

Deferred to the next meeting agenda because of Peggy Stelly's absence.
5. **NEW BUSINESS:**

The committee discussed the election of a new chairperson. Harold Arceneaux nominated Jim Richard and the committee unanimously approved him for the remainder of his term that ends on November 15, 2010.
6. Mary Ann Ficaro voiced her concerns about Acadiana Transit's newest vehicle, a Dodge Caravan # 43, which she stated is not ADA compliant. She requested that the chairman of the committee, Jim Richard meet with the City-Parish President to request that this vehicle be removed from the Acadiana Transit's fleet. Dana McPherson, Transit Supervisor, was going to contact Acadiana Transit about this vehicle and forward the report to Ben Berthelot. Ben will discuss this complaint with the City-Parish President, once he receives the final report.
7. The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.
8. The next meeting of the President's Awareness Committee for Citizens with Disabilities is scheduled for **Monday, March 9, 2009, 11:30-12:30** in the **Council Briefing Room** on the first floor of Lafayette City Hall.

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