



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

Monday, June 13, 2011

Meeting Minutes

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**Board Members Present:** Randy Broussard, Lynette Fontenot, Zelig Guidry, Mark Guillory,  
Rose Shuff, Donielle Watkins  
**Guests in Attendance:** Deborah Aymond, Diane Dodt-Gauthier  
**LCG Staff Present:** Carlee Alm- LaBar, Lou Anna Angelle,

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1. Randy Broussard called the meeting to order.
2. The committee approved the May minutes.
3. Correspondence:
  - None to report
4. Randy provided the committee with the latest on the upcoming Disability Job Fair that will be held on October 20, 2011 at the Heymann Performing Arts Center. At the last meeting, the committee didn't vote on asking Lafayette Consolidated Government to waive a portion of the fees, since the committee was co-sponsoring the event. Zelig Guidry motioned that the committee ask Carlee Alm-LaBar, to ask City-Parish President Joey Durel to waive a portion of the fees for the event again this year. Her motion was seconded by Mark Guillory and the committee voted in favor of the motion.

Debra Aymond informed the committee about the Information Fair that will be held in conjunction with the Disability Job Fair. Several agencies will be on-site to provide information regarding their agencies.

The next planning meeting for the Job Fair will be held on Thursday, June 16, 2011 at the LRS office in Brandywine.

5. Donielle Watkins informed the committee that the resource directory is on hold for now. She will be contacting a representative from 232-HELP in the near future to discuss the resource directory.
6. The committee briefly discussed the paratransit survey that was done in 2007, and having a survey prepared, and ready for distribution at the Disability Job Fair. It was suggested that there is a generally agreed upon need for transportation outside the city limits but that funding is a problem that has no easy solutions because of limited government money. The committee requested to know the approximate annual cost if paratransit services were offered in the parish.
7. The committee requested that Maria Placer, 232-HELP, be contacted to make a presentation at the next committee meeting in July. They also requested that the Deaf Center, Families Helping Families and Affiliated Blind be contacted to make presentations at a future meeting.

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8. Mark Guillory provided the committee with information he collected from the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of disability Employment Policy (ODEP).
9. The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.
10. The next meeting of the President's Awareness Committee for Citizens with Disabilities is scheduled for **Monday, July11, 2011 11:30-12:30** in the **Council Briefing Room** on the first floor of Lafayette City Hall.