



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

Monday, June 10, 2013

Meeting Minutes

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**Board Members Present:** Kenneth Carmouche, Lynette Fontenot, Chad Romero,  
**Guests in Attendance:** Randy Broussard, Michelle Dewey, Dr. Kim Warren  
**Staff in Attendance:** Carlee Alm-LaBar, Lou Anna Angelle

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**1. Kenneth Carmouche called the meeting to order.**

**2. Kenneth Carmouche introduced the guest speaker, Dr. Kim Warren, Assistant Director – Office of Disability Services at the University of Louisiana (UL).**

Dr. Warren provided the committee with the following information regarding the Office of Disability Services at the university:

- The mission of the office is to provide extensive post-secondary services to emotionally, physically and learning impaired students.
- The Student Support Services Disability Program provides opportunities for academic development, assists college students with basic requirements, and serves to motivate students towards the successful completion of their post-secondary education.
- Some of the general accommodations include:
  - ✓ Relocation of classes
  - ✓ Extended tutoring Time
  - ✓ Note Taker
  - ✓ Tape Recording
  - ✓ Interpreter Services
  - ✓ Testing Accommodations
  - ✓ Special Testing Instruction
- Affiliated Campus Organizations:
  - ✓ Beacon Club – help eliminate barriers that students with disabilities may have
  - ✓ Delta Alpha Pi International Honor Society (DAP) – recognize the academic accomplishments of university students with disabilities.
- Dr. Warren was thanked for her presentation. She requested that any ideas the committee may have be forwarded to her.

**4. Minutes**

- The minutes for the May meeting were not approved by the committee due to a lack of a quorum.

## **5. Correspondence**

- The committee members were provided the following correspondence:
  - ✓ Aphasia Center Newsletter
  - ✓ Autism Society Flyer – Presentation on Safety Tips and Strategies for Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders and their Families to be held on July 18<sup>th</sup> at South Regional Library, 6:00-8:00 pm.
  - ✓ Email from Donielle Watkins regarding the upcoming Fishing Extravaganza for Children with Disabilities.

## **6. Old Business/New Business**

- Randy Broussard provided the committee with an update on the upcoming Disability Job Fair to be held on October 2, 2013, at the Heymann Center 9:00 a.m. – noon.
  - Carlee Alm-LaBar will contact Bart Thibodeaux requesting his attendance at the next meeting as the guest speaker. Bart Thibodeaux is the Director of Special Education at the Lafayette Parish School Board.
  - The committee members were provided with copies of the Hurricane Handbook.
7. The next meeting of the President's Awareness Committee for Citizens with Disabilities is scheduled on Monday, July 8, 2013 at 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. in the Council Briefing Room on the first floor of City Hall.