



Lafayette Mayor-President's Awareness Committee for Citizens with Disabilities

Monday, July 11, 2016, 11:30am
Regular Meeting Minutes

Board Members Present: Katherin Boudreaux, Liam Doyle, Virginia Jones, Kim Kennedy, Jared Scott
Staff in Attendance: Carolina McRae, Veronica Ryder

1. Liam Doyle called the meeting to order.

Liam Doyle made a motion to accept the June minutes. Katherin Boudreaux seconded the motion and all were in favor.

2. Guest Speakers

Representing ARC of Acadiana, Dana Gradney, Program Manager, and Natalie Mouton, Director of Quality Assurance, presented the variety of services provided to people with disabilities including employment services, recreational services, residential services and individual and family support. ARC supports several surrounding parishes.

Geoff Dyer, Director of Administration, with Downtown Development Authority, answered questions about the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) through the Acadiana Planning Commission.

3. Correspondence

An email from Jasmine Parker promoting The Simple Dollar.com will be discussed under New Business.

4. Old Business:

- A. Liam Doyle summarized a recent meeting with Geoff Dyer. The goal is to use a portion of the funds for immediate progress. The remaining funds would be matched at a 20:80 ratio from state and federal funds through Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). Mr. Doyle will provide a list of downtown accessibility priorities to Tom Carroll, thru Veronica Ryder by the end of July.
- B. There are no updates.
- C. There are no updates.
- D. There are no updates.
- E. A discussion was held about venue options and various ways to promote the Awards Ceremony. Deborah Aymond has assembled the team of judges.

5. New Business

Veronica Ryder received an email request from Jasmine Parker. She would like The Simple Dollar.com to be approved as a resource on the Disabilities Awareness Committee webpage. The Committee will review and vote at the next meeting.

6. Comments from the Public

Ms. Aymond reminded the Committee of the 2016 Diversity Job Fair, which will be held on October 13, 2016 from 9am until noon at the Heymann Performing Arts Center.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Mayor-President's Awareness Committee for Citizens with Disabilities is scheduled for August 8, 2016 at 11:30 am in the Council Briefing Room on the first floor of City Hall.