

Austin Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities MEETING MINUTES January 10, 2011



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REGULAR MEETING
(10, January, 2011)

The Austin Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities convened in a regular meeting on 10, January, 2011 at 301 West 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Chair Norman Kieke called the Board Meeting to order at 12:05 PM

Board Members in Attendance: Norman Kieke, Kathy Kasprisin, Chip Howe, Jesus Lardizabal, George Luc, Ron Lucey, Tanya Winters

Staff in Attendance: Dolores Gonzalez, Lee Nguyen

1. **Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Commissioner Chip Howe to approve the December 13, 2010 minutes the motion was seconded by Commissioner Tanya Winters. The motion was approved unanimously by all.
2. **OLD BUSINESS no old business conducted at this meeting.**
3. **NEW BUSINESS**

Motion: AMCPD Amended Bylaws

- The Amended Bylaws have been sent out to the committee for review. Chair Norman Kieke went over each change during the meeting.
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Ron Lucey to approve the amended by-laws; the motion was seconded by Commissioner George Luc. The motion was approved unanimously by all.

Motion: Change membership from seven to nine members

- A motion was made by Commissioner Ron Lucey to request a formal change in AMCPD membership from seven to nine members, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Kathy Kasprisin. The motion was approved unanimously by all.
- The Committee discussed a strategy for each commissioner to go to the Council Member that appointed them to discuss this request both verbally and by memo. They will formally ask that the AMCPD membership be changed from seven to nine commissioners.

Motion: Change associate member to community partner representative

- A motion was made by Commissioner Ron Lucey to request a name change from Associate Members to Community Partner Representative; the motion was seconded by Commissioner George Luc. The motion was approved unanimously by all.
- Along with the name change it would be necessary to change the contact information application, on the website. Dolores will request this change to be made.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

➤ **Access/Youth Committee - Chair Tanya Winters**

- Chair Tanya Winters reported that a meeting regarding the 2nd Accessible Parking PSA, was cancelled and will be rescheduled.
- Nomination online form for the Austin Access Awards will be available year-round. http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/ada/access_nomform.htm Please nominate your favorite businesses.
- An ADA Access and Sidewalk Task Force Meeting will take place at OTC at the 2nd Floor Conference Room on January 19, 2011 from 10:00 am-11:00pm
- Commissioner George Luc will be meeting with local area colleges to propose and idea for a year-round disability mentorship program with plans for an open house to follow each of these meetings.

➤ **Awards/Employment Committee – Chair Ron Lucey**

- Subcommittee Chair Ron Lucey reported on the planning for the Governor's Committee Employment Awards
 - An initial planning meeting is scheduled with the Governor's Committee - Jan 25
 - The AMCPD will be working with Jo Virgil from the Governor's Committee and inviting Celia Hughes from VSA Texas.
- The Business of Work Seminar will have an initial planning meeting in late February and will coincide with the Community Career Expo. The committee will contact Katie Navine at Goodwill Industries of Central Texas to get a new contact for the Expo.
- The Travis County Workbase Learning Program is beginning to take applications for youth to get paid summer work; For more information, please see the following link: https://www.ci.austin.tx.us/health/news_youth.htm

4. **ACTION ITEMS:** three action items were recorded for the January 10, 2011 AMCPD Meeting:

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5. **PUBLIC HEARING:** no citizen hearings were held during the January 10, 2011 AMCPD Meeting.

6. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:**

Lisa Rivers from The Arc of Texas presented information about the Leadership Awards Luncheon; the event will take place on March 31 at the Austin Club, honoring Senator Kirk Watson. She requested AMCPD involvement and will follow up with Chair Norman Kieke about the program.

7. **STAFF BRIEFINGS:** Dolores Gonzalez

- **Budget:** There was no expense for the month of December 2010, leaving the balance unchanged at \$6,105.00
- The office is currently in the process of finalizing its FY 2010 Implementation Report.
- Dolores received IPMA training relating to Human Resources Competencies for Public Entities. Jan 10 – 13, 2011.
- The ADA Office will be conducting an ADA tude disability awareness training for Library's Oakhill Branch staff.

CALENDAR

- January 2011 start of Texas Legislative Session
- January 08, 2011 Mary Lee Foundation hosting program on good nutrition practices
- March 3, 2011 Goodwill Industries Hall of Honor at the Four Seasons
- March 21, 2011 Deaf and Hard of Hearing Training –Brown Heatly Rm 1410
- March 31, 2011 The Arc of Texas Leadership Luncheon

8. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

- Parks and Recreation update on Barton Springs accessibility modifications.
- An update from the ADA Taskforce to include a presentation from the Public Works Safe Routes to School Program highlighting any updates.

9. **ADJOURN** – A motion was made to adjourn the January 11, 2011 meeting of AMCPD by Commissioner Kathy Kasprisin; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Chip Howe. The motion was approved unanimously by all.