**NV Governor’s Council on Developmental Disabilities (NGCDD) Policy Committee Meeting Minutes from May 19, 2022**

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NV Governor’s Council on Developmental Disabilities  
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# Special Notes

* All items reviewed during this meeting are available for view on the NGCDD website; under the event created for this meeting: [www.nevadaddcouncil.org](http://www.nevadaddcouncil.org/)
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# Introductions

Committee Members Present: Kimberly Palma-Ortega, Committee Chair; Stacy Alaribe; Dora Martinez: Jack Mayes; Santa Perez; Renee Portnell; Jodi Thornley; Vivian Turner

Committee Members Absent: Regina Daniel; Jennifer Frischmann; Cindi Swanson

NGCDD Staff Present: Catherine Nielsen, Executive Director; Ellen Marquez, Self-Advocacy Coordinator; Rebecca Ortiz, Executive Assistant; Marisol Rivas, Projects Manager

# Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by NGCDD Council Chair, Kimberly Palma-Ortega 10:02 a.m.

Rebecca Ortiz, Executive Assistant verified the agenda for this meeting was posted to the proper locations on June 8, 2022.

# Public Comment

Ms. Palma-Ortega asked if there was any public comment.

* Catherine Nielsen stated the Journey of Hope Friendship Event would be this Friday, June 17th and invited committee members to come out.
* Jack Mayes stated that he was present, but his video streaming is unavailable.

# Approval of Minutes from the April and March 2022 Meeting

Ms. Palma-Ortega asked if there was a motion to approve the April 21 and May 19, 2022 Committee meeting minutes.

**Jody Thornley motioned to approve the April 21 and May 19, 2022 Committee meeting minutes. Mr. Mayes seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

# Council Policies

Ms. Palma-Ortega deferred to Catherine Nielsen, Executive Director for conversation on the Council Policies under the “Funding Limitations” section of the Consumer Leadership Development Fund policy.

Ms. Nielsen referred to the policy in the handouts. She noted the changes in rates that could be awarded.

This agenda item was opened for discussion

Mr. Mayes asked if this change would affect the number of applicants that could be approved. Ms. Nielsen stated she would research this and provide information at the Budget Committee Meeting.

Vivian Turner stated necessary grammar and spelling changes to the document.

**Ms. Thornley motioned to recommend to approve the Consumer Leadership Development Fund as written to the full council for final approval. Ms. Turner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

There was additional discussion under this agenda item on the “ADVANCEMENT OF TRAVEL AND COMMERCIAL TRANSPORTATION FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS POLICY” and “ADVANCEMENT OF TRAVEL AND COMMERCIAL TRANSPORTATION FOR NON-COUNCIL MEMBERS POLICY.” Ms. Nielsen discussed the updates and edits to the policy.

**Santa Perez motioned to recommend to approve the Advancement of Travel Funds with suggested changes to the full council for final approval. Ms. Thornley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

# Next Meeting Date

The next Policy Committee meeting will be held on July 21, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. via ZOOM.

# Public Comment

Ms. Palma-Ortega asked if there is any public comment.

* Ms. Nielsen mentioned updating the policy written on the duties of the Chair and Vice Chair positions.
* Mr. Mayes stated the Council would benefit from creating formal statements on positions of the Council as the legislative session comes up especially a position on voting statement. He stated that it would be beneficial to have formal policy.
* Dora Martinez stated the Council should look into the accessibility in the voting process as she faced difficulty with ADA machinery while voting in the primary.

# Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 A.M.