**NV Governor’s Council on Developmental Disabilities (NGCDD) Executive Committee Meeting Minutes from April 6, 2023**

**ZOOM**

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Meeting ID: 827 7692 0507

Join by Phone: 669-900-6833

**In-Person Meeting Location:**

Currently, the Council is not having in person meetings.

# 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/)
* Bolded text under a heading indicates an action taken by the NGCDD.

# Introductions

Committee Members Present: Maxmillian Lowe, Vice Chair; Stacy Alaribe; Santa Perez; Vickie Ives

Committee Members Absent: Christine Riggi, Chair

NGCDD Staff Present: Catherine Nielsen, Executive Director; Ellen Marquez, Self-Advocacy Coordinator; Alysa Marquez, Intern; Rebecca Ortiz, Executive Assistant; Kimberly Palma-Ortega, Public Health Liaison; Marisol Rivas, Projects Manager

Public Present: Dawn Lyons

# Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Executive Committee Vice-Chair, Max Lowe at 10:02 a.m.

Rebecca Ortiz, Executive Assistant verified that the agenda for this meeting was posted to the appropriate locations on March 29, 2023.

# Public Comment

Mr. Lowe asked if there was any public comment.

* Catherine Nielsen stated Deaf Day at the Nevada Legislature will be held on April 10th. It will host the opportunity for people that are deaf, hard of hearing, and speech impaired to attend meeting and meet with legislators on the various bills and issues they are interested in. She invited all to come attend and stated it will be similar to the Developmental Disabilities Awareness Day.
* Ms. Nielsen also stated that a lots of bills of interest have come out during this legislative session and wanted to remind Council members that if they will be speaking on behalf of the council to speak to her beforehand so they can work together and ensure everything aligns with the Council’s policies and position statements. She reminded council members that they are always welcomed to speak on their own behalf.

# Approval of February 2023 Minutes

Mr. Lowe asked if everyone had reviewed the February 2, 2023 minutes and asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

**Santa Perez motioned to approve the February 2, 2023 minutes as written. Mr. Lowe seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

# Consumer Leadership Development Funds

Mr. Lowe deferred to Ms. Nielsen, Executive Director for an explanation of the Consumer Leadership Development Funds (CLDF) applications.

Ms. Nielsen stated Staci Petralba applied to attend the CHARGE Syndrome Conference in Orlando, FL on July 20-23, 2023. They are requesting funds for Family Out-of-State. She opened this item for discussion.

**Mr. Lowe motioned to approve up to $2,500 for Family Out-of-State funds for Staci Petralba through Consumer Leadership Development Funds. Ms. Perez seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

# Position Statement

Mr. Lowe deferred to Ms. Nielsen, Executive Director.

Ms. Nielsen referred to document titled “Draft Position on Informed Choice” and gave a brief summary. She opened this item for discussion.

**Mr. Lowe motioned to approve the “Draft Position on Informed Choice” as written. Ms. Perez seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

# Policy Discussion

Mr. Lowe deferred to Ms. Nielsen, Executive Director.

Ms. Nielsen referred to the document titled “Directors\_of\_Disability\_Councils\_for\_NV\_AB161\_letter”

and gave a brief summary of its background and contents. She discussed proposed bill AB 161 to allow for designation on of communication impairment on driver’s licenses, ID cards, and registration. and the potential impact to the disability community. She opened this item for discussion.

Mr. Lowe invited Dawn Lyons from the Nevada Statewide Independent Living Council to speak on the letter. He opened this item for discussion.

# Next Meeting Date

Mr. Lowe stated the next Executive Committee meeting will be May 4, 2023 at 10:00 am via ZOOM.

# Public Comment

Mr. Lowe asked if there was any public comment.

* Mr. Lowe asked when the National Association of Councils on Development Disabilities (NACDD) will be opening registration for their annual conference. Ms. Nielsen responded by stating it is May 1, 2023. Ms. Perez agreed and stated she was on the planning committee and is sure to attend.
* Stacey Alaribe stated the speaking engagement she has been working on will be on April 12, 2023. She also stated she will share with the council how her presentation goes.

# Adjournment

Mr. Lowe adjourned the meeting at 11:06 a.m.