

Bismarck-Mandan Mayors' Committee for People with Disabilities

**September 8, 2020
(4:00 p.m. Mandan City Hall)
Dykshoorn Conference Room**

Agenda

Introductions-DesaRae called the meeting to order at 4:00pm. Members present either in person, phone or virtually are indicated by (x)

1. Introduce new members (Bernie Parkhurst approved June 5, Ryan Fugere approved July 14 and Mark Splonskowski and Ermuun Bulgan Schmidt)
Jim will reach out to the Bismarck Transit staff to see if there is an interest in serving on the Mayors Committee.
2. Review and consider minutes from May 12, 2020.
Jim moved to approve the minutes with the change of Pizza Hut, to Pizza Ranch for the financial request. Munnie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Review and consider treasurer's report from September 8, 2020
Jim reviewed the treasurer's quarterly report of expenditures and income. Laura made the motion to approve the report and Tom seconded it.
4. Plan for October Disability Awareness Month activities:
 - a. Disseminate posters
 - b. How can we involve the news? - free
 - c. Contact Mandan and Hit Marque – Free
 - d. Dakota Access
 - e. Quality Insurance contact (Community Option, Pride, VR)Mary has ordered the Disability Awareness posters and will let the committee members know when they are in for distribution. Tom stated that Vocational Rehabilitation is looking at doing a news article of a consumer in the medical field and is writing an article for the Chamber newsletter. Mary, Dakota Center for Independent Living will be posting videos to their face book page and you tube from the youth group as they celebrate the month. They will also be hosting Scott Bernstein as he presents Go Universal through ZOOM on October 14th. Jim and Laura will post information on the Mandan Marque.

Committee Members

x President, DesaRae Berreth, BEPC, 2015 (Mandan)

☐ Vice President, (VACANT)

x Secretary, Mary Robinson
Dakota CIL, 2011 (Bismarck)

x Treasurer, Jim Neubauer, City
Administrator, 2009 (Mandan)

☐ Alyssa Caya, MHS 2017 (Mandan)

x Bernie Parkhurst, Pride Inc., 2020
(Mandan)

☐ VACANT, Burleigh County
Auditor,

x Laura Mildenberger, Hughes
Educational Center, 2009 (Mandan)

x Ermuun Bulgan Schmidt, Community
Options, 2018 (Bismarck)

x Ryan Fugere, HIT Inc., 2020
(Bismarck)

☐ Mark Splonskowski, City
Commission 2020 (Bismarck)

x Tom Schiwal, VR, 2018 (Bismarck)

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5. Review and consider any barrier free community requests
No barrier free requests for this quarter. Mary stated that DCIL would be checking on what it would cost to display the billboard from 2017, educating the public about the blue diagonal stripes.
6. Review and consider any financial requests
No financial requests were made this quarter. Bernie stated that he would research possible grants that the committee could write for to help with transit tickets for people with disabilities.
7. Elect Vice President position
DesaRae nominated Tom for the Vice President position. Mary made the motion to accept that nomination and Bernie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
8. Next Meeting - January 12, 2021
9. Adjourn. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 4:40pm. Jim made the motion to adjourn and Tom seconded. Motion passed unanimously.