Sudbury Commission on Disability 4/26/12 Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by Commission Chair at 7:00

Present: members: Lotte Diomede, Dina Johnson, Peter Sargent, Susan Stocker, Peter Shaer;

potential member: Steve Parker **Absent**: Anna Wood, Jackie Kilroy

1. Approval of minutes from last month

a. Motion to approve minutes by Lotte Diomede, minutes approved by members

2. Group agreed unanimously to vote in **new member - Steve Parker**

3. Braille project

a. Group agreed to give one more month before following up on Braille project letters that were distributed

b. Next steps

i. Peter to reach out to Anna for copies of materials so he can use them for PR purposes

4. Jeff Dougan

a. Group gave overview for new members on who Jeff Dougan is (the Assistant Director for Community Service from the MA Office on Disability)

b. Next steps

i. Group conveyed they would share content they get from him to new members

5. Restaurant project

a. Project goal: create an informal guide for the community and for visiting members, which may be used to identify accessible restaurants

b. Next steps

i. Lotte to coordinate a meeting with the town to review the project plan; meeting materials to consist of a high level overview of project plan (i.e., one page project summary), the grid and examples of other towns final booklets; meeting purpose will be to get approval to proceed

6. ADA Regulation for Recreation Facilities

- a. New law was put into place on March 15, 2012 that states that all recreation facilities, including field spaces, must be accessible. We were asked by Nancy McShea from Park & Rec if we would help fund electronic doors in the rec center. We don't have funding for the full amount, however. We will contribute partial funding towards the project upon them being ready to execute. Group voted to contribute \$2500 to be used within two years
- b. Next steps

i. Lotte to ask Anna to write up SCOD response to Nancy McShea's proposal

7. Transportation

- a. Steve investigating the RIDE to try and figure out why Sudbury not covered; conversations thus far have yielded no answers (i.e., nobody seems to know why Sudbury isn't covered)
- b. Next steps
 - i. Lotte to give Steve Jeff Dugan and Dave Mortimer's contact information as they may have some information

8. Next Meeting Dates

- a. Thursday, May, 31st at 7pm
 b. Thursday, June 14th at 7pm

9. Adjourn

a. Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm