

Sudbury Commission of Disability (COD) Meeting Minutes

October 6, 2022 - Virtual Meeting

Members Present:

Kathleen Bell (Chair), Karyn Jones (Vice Chair), Cameron LaHaise, Liesje Quinto

Absent: Pat Brown

Kay Bell called the meeting to order at 7:43pm and reviewed the protocols under which remote meetings are conducted and took a roll call.

1. Review of past Meeting Minutes

- Meeting Minutes from April 7, 2022 were reviewed and edited and approved by the committee. Karyn Jones moved and Liesje Quinto seconded. Unanimous vote to approve.
- Meeting Minutes from June 20, 2022 were reviewed and edited and approved by the committee. Liesje Quinto moved and Cameron LaHaise seconded. Unanimous vote to approve.
- Meeting Minutes from September 8, 2022 were reviewed and edited and approved by the committee. Liesje Quinto moved, Karyn Jones second. Unanimous vote to approve.
- Meeting Minutes from September 28, 2022 were reviewed and edited and approved by the committee. Karyn Jones moved, Cameron LaHaise seconded. Unanimous vote to approve.

2. COD Goals

- Kay Bell gives a history of the goals and the mission of the COD.
- Group edited the "Broad Goals" document. Group discussed the terms on the Broad Goals document and the role of the COD.

- Karyn asked to share a presentation on celebrating Sudbury's 30th Anniversary/submitting a grant to the Sudbury Foundation. Group was collectively in agreement to have the mtg run longer than estimated.
- Presentation from Karyn on submitting a grant from the COD to the Sudbury Foundation to 1.) purchase items for the Library of Things and 2.) enhance already existing inclusive programs.
 - Ultimately, the committee agreed that Karyn could information gather for the specific grant project;
 - The committee did not vote to move forward in writing the grant to the Sudbury Foundation for this project as many members expressed questions about the presentation and grant. The committee had questions on the grant/project itself, and also how the grant fits into the COD goals overall.
- Cameron offered to organize how the committee should talk about and organize the goals and present at a future meeting

3. Fundraising for the COD

- Karyn shared that Dennis will update on the protocol for the COD to be fundraising
- Kay requested that the Chair speak for the commission (in this instance, to communicate with Dennis Keohane, Finance Director)

4. October - Disability Awareness Month

- Kay asked the COD if the committee would want to speak to other committees about disability etiquette.
- Kay offered to send emails to relevant committees and ask if we can join their calls and give public comment on disability awareness month.
- The committee reviewed and edited the shared speaking points document.
- Kay will follow up with what committees are available and committee members can sign up to attend the meetings and read the agreed upon speaking points.

5. Together We Play Event and Unlearning Ableism Event Updates

- Karyn gave updates on the event logistics and marketing efforts
- Sudbury Co-Op paid for the signs and will submit receipt and be refunded
- Library will give a list to Karyn for marketing materials for COD to refund.
- Kay and Karyn discussed the process for expenditures. Kay shared that the Chair is to sign appropriate paperwork and the commission all look at the paperwork, when the time comes.

6. KP Law Memorandum

- Legal statement shared with the full committee.
- Kay and Karen to meet with the interim - town manager and bring back information from that meeting to the full committee.

7. Web Access Form

- The Web Access Form: to request access to the COD website
- Kay to ask how we are able to post other messages, and suggested the COD not submit the form without further clarification

8. Scheduling

- Cameron asked if we can schedule upcoming COD meetings over email without being in violation of OML. Kay confirmed, COD can schedule upcoming meetings over email. The committee agreed to do so for future meetings.

Motion to adjourn by Liesje Quinto, seconded by Cameron LaHaise.
Unanimously approved by roll call at 10:20pm.

