

Disability Awareness Starts Here (DASH) Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, July 2, 2019, noon to 2:00 at the Community Center

Attendees: Miranda Nash, Pat Teal, Marion Huxtable, Nancy Johnson, John Frasca,
Dave Griffiths

Absent: Celia Fry, Leesa Monroe, Jack McCreary

Guests: David Berrian, Bethel Prescott

Minutes

May Minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report

John has reviewed the DASH banking information. DASH grouped discussed the different accounts and balances. Emergency account: \$27.77. Regular account: \$5,841.33

Obituary

Leesa sent an email suggesting requests for donations may be made to DASH or the MS group Bonnie was a member of. Pat suggested if MS group is added to donations that DASH should reach out to MS group to see if they would like to share the cost of the obituary. The cost for the obituary with the PDN is approx. \$500.00. DASH had voted on publishing with the PDN. The group discussed whether to publish the obituary in the Leader or the PDN. Pat suggested the obituary be edited down to reduce the cost. Marion asked what the limit for the ad should be and she can edit it down. Nancy suggested a cap of \$400.00, and any collected donations be put toward the cost. Marion will get a quote from the PDN for the cost of the obituary. DASH can then vote on publishing by email (everyone will be required to vote.)

Printer, Computer, Reminders of what is where and keys

The printer has been donated to the Dove House. Miranda has Bonnie's computer at her office. Nancy and Miranda will work together to go through the files.

Stairs & Trail at Haller Fountain

Marion sent in a concern to the city. The city stated they were going to correct it. However, the corrections have made the issue worse. Marion sent out an email with pictures of the update from John, Marion, and Pat's Site visit. Marion would like to propose that DASH take up the issue and contact the city about the problems created by the City's fix.

Pat will bring up the issue with the NMTB meeting next month. Marion would like DASH to draft a letter to the City to address the issue. Marion has researched how the problem could be addressed and will share the documents she has found with DASH, and will include the suggestions with the letter to the City.

The Baby Buggy Trail is adjacent to the sidewalk. The extra dirt from the sidewalk work has been dumped on the trail making it difficult to use. Marion will also address this issue in the letter.

Brochures

Cicmahan Trail Brochures-The trail brochures have been printed. Marion suggested the brochure be distributed through the two kiosks at the Maritime center, and Chetzemoka Park.

The brochure distribution list should be updated with the new trail, and the locations for distribution to be added, as well as who will be keeping brochures stocked.

Entertainment Brochures & Distribution- The entertainment brochures need to be reprinted. ACAC will need to be billed. Marion and Pat will contact The Printery after the next Board Meeting. Marion has the brochure pdf.

UGN Application

The deadline for the UGN application is coming up. Pat suggested that DASH apply for operating funds. The operating expenses will need to be collected from Bonnie's computer files for the application. John will review the DASH budget. Bonnie used to send out budget emails. John will review the application for the deadline and requirements. John, Marion, and Pat will get together to complete the application. Pat also suggested to request funds to have Jill to update the DASH website.

DASH Emails

Request from Fort Worden- Request from Fort Worden asking to list Fort Worden's ADA information and features on the DASH website. Pat doesn't think DASH should create a webpage for the Fort on the DASH website. However, DASH could consult with the Fort to update their own website to include this information, and put a link of the DASH website. Pat will contact Joan Best with the Fort.

David Berrian attended the Fort Worden PDA meeting and requested hearing assistance and was told the Fort does not arrange hearing accommodations, and the organization holding the conference is responsible. David has also been working with the PT Film Festival on providing hearing assistance. David suggested Pat also discuss with the Fort on providing Hearing Assistance.

Website updates

There is a list of updates needed for the website. Pat suggested that DASH pay Jill or Matt to update the website.

Post Office Postcards

Pat suggested that DASH to send out post cards to their representatives/Congress regarding the lack of an accessible Post Office in port Townsend. Pat would like to hand out the Post Cards at the next Democrats meeting.

A current address list needs to be updated- Bethel will update.

ACAC and Sequim Wheelers

John and Pat attended the ACAC meeting. In attendance were the Sequim Wheelers a group who provides adaptive/ accessible bicycles. Pat suggested DASH invite the group to a future meeting.

JCCB & All County Picnic

JCCB are not meeting this month. Pat does not think they will do the All County Picnic this year, unless DASH can attend and support the booth. DASH will not be attending this year.

Site Evaluations

Salish Coast School Response- August

Sarah Grossman requested DASH come out and evaluate the school for Pediatric ADA guidelines. The Principal of the school did not invite DASH to conduct an evaluation. Pat will invite Sarah and the Schools ADA coordinator to the next meeting.

County Facilities Evaluations- September

DASH will be inviting Mark – ADA coordinator for the County to the September DASH meeting. Marion will write up a proposal for the county facilities ADA evaluations. Marion suggested the county designate staff which DASH could train to perform internal ADA site evaluations.

Accessible Voting Advisory Committee

Pat has not been able to attend the last few meetings. Pat would like to propose someone else from DASH join the committee. Nancy volunteered to join.

Port Townsend Film Festival

David Berrian discussed hearing assistance issues at the Film festival. The festival has implemented an app called audio fetch which provides the audio from the films and is requesting

donations for old smart phones for people to use. However, this is not a broad solution for addressing the lack of hearing assistance. The festival is considering several solutions for the festival this year. David suggested DASH put out a notice for receiving donations.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, August 6, 2019, at the Community Center from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm.