

Disability Awareness Starts Here (DASH) Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, September 3, 2019, Noon-1:30 p.m. at the Port Townsend Community Center

Attendees: Board members Pat Teal, Marion Huxtable, Jack McCleary, Nancy Johnson, John Frasca, and David Griffiths.

Guests: Bethel and Nancy Villiagran.

Absent: Celia Fry, Leesa Monroe and Miranda Nash.

Pat reported that Mark McCauley of Jefferson County will attend the October 1 Board meeting. She will also contact a representative of Fort Worden and Sarah Grossman (contact for elementary school issues) a.

Additions to Agenda

Bethel asked that an agenda item be added. She and David will discuss The Progressive newsletter they are publishing online.

Minutes

The minutes from August 6, 2019, will be sent via email as they were not yet published.

Treasurer's Report

John Frasca, Treasurer, reported on DASH's finances. He reported that there had been no financial activity since his August 6 report. The current balance in DASH's checking account is \$5,5351.88, with \$27.77 in the emergency fund account. First Federal told John that they have mailed him a debit card, and John is in the process of arranging for a PayPal account.

UGN, List of Supporters

Pat and Marion met with Jan White of UGN, who explained the process of DASH supporters being invited to designate DASH to receive their donations. Bethel suggested that an article be submitted to the Progressive Newsletter explaining this ability to designate DASH to receive UGN funds. Marion asked attendees to provide her with names and email addresses of DASH supporters to be invited to in the designate DASH.

Brochures, Distribution

The ACAC is funding publication of DASH's amended Entertainment and Cultural Venue Guide. Marion explained that The Printery printed the brochures, which contain a small number of changes from the last brochure. Marion gave Board Members a distribution list and received attendees' commitments regarding where they would deliver brochures. She also distributed

lists to be completed outlining dates, sites and number of brochures each individual distributes. The ACAC also requires a record of time spent distributing the brochures. The brochures were distributed, along with a reminder that Pat has more brochures available (they are available at Pat's house or she will deliver them to people involved in distribution). The group discussed possible future changes to the restaurant brochure, which will be the next item to be updated and republished.

Fish Feast

Pat reported that she had distributed information about DASH at the Democrat Party Fish Feast, along with postcards regarding lack of accessibility at the Port Townsend Post Office and addresses of elected representatives. Pat will talk with the Printery about how to publish more postcards as more will be needed soon. Bethel reported that she and David would be videotaping at the Post Office after the meeting to address the Post Office's inaccessibility in The Progressive newsletter.

Chamber Luncheon

Pat reported that the Chamber luncheon will be held on September 16 and will feature a presentation about the Northwest Maritime Center.

ACAC Meeting

The ACAC will meet on September 23 at the Health Department's office. Pat asked attendees to provide the information about brochure distribution so she can provide it to the ACAC as soon as possible. Marion agreed to email the contact list for placement of brochures to Nancy Villiagran.

Active Transportation Advisory Board

Pat explained that there is uncertainty over the future of the Active Transportation Advisory Board due to recent conflict and Board turnover. It was reported that the City has not yet built curb cuts at Memorial Field and along the čičmähán trail as promised. Individuals and organizations will monitor the progress of the work, and Pat will advocate for the City to make progress on these projects at the next meeting of the Active Transportation Advisory Board.

Accessibility at QFC

Bethel encouraged attendees to discuss accessibility issues resulting from items outside the entrance of QFC Port Townsend. She reported on success addressing AFC Port Hadlock suggested that individuals take pictures, the issue with store management pointing out that stores have scooters, which may not provide accessibility due to the obstructions (managers could be invited to actually test the inaccessibility with their scooters). If there is no action, discussions with the corporate office could prod action.

Next Meetings

Pat reported that at the next DASH Board meeting on October 1, Mark McCauley will discuss with the Board DASH's future cooperation in assessing County facilities. Pat will contact Mark McCauley to remind him of the meeting. She will also follow up with Fort Worden and Sarah Grossman about participating in future meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.