

Disability Awareness Starts Here (DASH) Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, May 7, 2019 noon to 2:00 at Community Center

Attendees: Nancy Johnson, Marion Huxtable, John Frasca, Jack McCreary

Absent: Miranda Nash, Celia Fry, Leesa Monroe, Pat Teal

Guest: Korlyn Bolster

Approval of Minutes of last meeting:

Postponed

Treasury:

John was given material that we had retrieved from Bonnie's house that relates to finances. He will go over it. He uses a PC and Bonnie used a Mac so he will work on transferring the relevant data.

Bonnie's obituary:

Bonnie's family has sent 2 emails with information about Bonnie's early life and the family's tributes to Bonnie. DASH and the MS group will add to this, focusing on Bonnie's life after her move to Port Townsend. We will use a photo or two also. Marion will check out how much it will cost in the PDN. Discussion of which newspaper to publish in resulted in decision to use PDN.

Disposition of other DASH materials still at Bonnie's House:

The filing cabinet will be sold – any proceeds used towards obituary. The printer and computer will go to Miranda after the Will has been heard.

We now have Locker 26 at the Community Center. Marion has 2 keys. It contains 2 boxes of important DASH records. There are also raw data from evaluations. We discussed scanning these so they do not add so much bulk to our records.

Fully Accessible Cicmahan Trail:

The draft is almost final with the recent addition of the up-to-date map by Tyler Johnson (City). Marion will keep the Board informed of what remains including the costs of reproduction.

ACAC Grant for reprinting of Accessible Entertainment Venues Guide:

Pat will coordinate with the Printery for printing this and sending the bill to the funding source. Nancy will talk to Pat about this.

Chamber of Commerce Luncheon:

John will attend these monthly luncheons. The topic at the last luncheon was youth involvement. We discussed ways of involved youth with DASH, including a Senior project to work on evaluation accessibility at sports field or campsites in the county as part of our efforts to assist the county with a Self Evaluation.

Post Office:

No response from Kilmer's office. Murray's office requires a privacy Form filled out. We will each write to Kilmer's office requesting that he honor our request for a meeting to get his feedback about his staff's work re: Post Office accessibility.

Evaluation of County facilities:

Mark McCauley, Central Services Director of Jefferson County, requested DASH's assistance in re-evaluating Jefferson County facilities. He passed a copy of the 1992 evaluation to us.

Marion suggested that DASH could train county staff to do a self-evaluation by inviting a staff member(s) to work with us on evaluating one of each type of county facility – eg office buildings, community centers and then the staff member(s) would evaluate the rest of like facilities. The 1992 evaluations serve as a basis and indicate the items that needed to be brought up to ADA standards. The Board thought this was a feasible approach and Marion will write to Mark McCauley to let him know that we have a proposal to make for the evaluations starting in Fall.

Taxis:

Possibility of a van accessible taxi service for Port Townsend was discussed. Could bring this up at the Chamber of Commerce as a business opportunity for the right person.

Next Meeting:

Jack, Marion and Nancy will not be in town for the June meeting. We decided to cancel it and reconvene in July at Noon July 2 at the Community Center.

Submitted by Marion Huxtable, May 7, 2019