Disability Awareness Starts Here (DASH) Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, July 11, 2023, Noon, Zoom.

Attendees: John Frasca, Jack McCreary, Pat Teal, Nancy Villagran

Absent: Marion Huxtable, Sara Peck, Miranda Nash

Guests: Margaret Lee, Chris Goy

Minutes

Minutes from the June 6, 2023 meeting; unanimously approved.

Additions:

- County Ada efforts,
- Tabling opportunities for the Farmers Market and All County Picnic.
- Emily's idea about a poster program.

Update re: County Ada Efforts

- Chris Goy reported that the doors to the restrooms at the community center can't be adjusted so they need to be left open number.
- The County is willing to add a van accessible space at the community center but need to check with the senior center folks first. Pat and John will join him if the timing is right to meet with the senior center folks.
- The county after discussing the issue with their legal people decided it would be a liability to add a pedestrian walkway through the parking lot at the QFC complex on the county side of that parking lot. After much discussion, it was agreed that the county and Chris would look for other options to make that parking lot more accessible for people with disabilities. Several people in that neighborhood take 7th Street to get to that complex, especially with the new sidewalk.
- The County is working on a strategic plan to include updates to the Ada transition plan and include working with dash.

Treasurer's Report:

Regular Account: \$4,950.26. Emergency Account: \$27.77. Unanimously approved.

Communication Updates:

- DASH emails- John reported that
- Phone calls- Pat reported
- Mail at Chimacum Post Office- Sara reported

Discussion re: PT Film Festival, logo needed.

Sara is working on a logo for the film festival. A reminder was given about free tickets to divvy up.

Discussion re: Transit Advisory Board.

John will join the Jefferson Transit Advisory Board upon approval from the Jefferson Transit Authority Board.

Update re: Nancy to continue to volunteer in a couple of areas.

Nancy Johnson will continue to serve on the County voter accessibility advisory committee and to help with assessments.

Discussion re: Tabling opportunities for the Farmers Market and All County picnic.

DASH decided not to do a booth at the All County Picnic since this takes place on Sundays when there's no Transit but we would like to pursue a booth later in August at the Farmers Market on Saturdays. Pat will pursue this.

Discussion re: Write up about our needs for volunteers and board members that Anna can send to her list.

Pat is attempting to write up a plea for board members and volunteers that Anna McHenry can send out to her extensive ACAC list.

Discussion re: Online Leader Community Calendar.

John will continue to get to try to get meeting announcements in the leader online community calendar.

Discussion re: Emily's idea about a poster program. DASH will discuss Emily's idea for a poster program at a later meeting when she can attend.

Discussion with Council for the Blind about getting some articles in the Leader and/or announcements on KPTZ.

Outreach was discussed with the council for the blind such as getting articles in the leader. We would have more luck if we had someone to write up a guest editorial as the leader is also short staffed and has a new publisher.

Update re: QUUF recruitment and assessment.

Pat continues to dialogue with QUUF members about an evaluation and board recruitment through their accessibility committee.

Next Meeting: August 1, 2023