

Disability Awareness Starts Here (DASH) Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, May 6, 2014, 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm, Jefferson Public Health

Present: Pat Teal, Leesa Monroe, Bonnie Bolster

Absent: Julie Duke, Liz Heffern, Marion Huxtable

Guests: none

Introductions

n/a

Minutes

April meeting minutes approved

Public Access

Debrief of Port Townsend Library – everyone agreed we appreciated the city's invitation to DASH board members asking for feedback on the library renovation. The visit to the library construction area was valuable. Board members Marion, Pat, Bonnie, Leesa and guests John and Sue Ammeter provided input.

Update hospital - The meeting scheduled with Mike Glenn on April 30 has been postponed for two to three months, the hospital is reevaluating the building project.

Pat said she saw the parking space she took a picture of has now been crosshatched.

Treasurer's report/ Funding Priorities

Regular account \$1251.63 and emergency account \$533.69

Debrief UGN – DASH will not receive grant funding from UGN this year. DASH applied for two grants: 1) funding to reprint the restaurant and venue brochures 2) funding to continue ADA advocacy for Jefferson Hospital. DASH will seek other grant funding and has funds in the regular account for advocacy and printing.

DASH priorities are restaurant brochure update and updating the website. Bonnie checked on estimates for printing- brochures approx \$575.00 (includes tax) and website update \$750.00 to \$1500.00. If a grant opportunity can be found, Jill (website designer) is willing to help write a proposal for the grant.

What we would like to see for the website was discussed and documented. We will ask Carl and Cathy if there is something we need to request to make the website user friendly to people with vision impairments.

Follow up/carryover items

Restaurant Review

Before the restaurant brochure can be printed we need to review new restaurants and revisit some locations for accessibility. Pat will prepare of list of those we need to review. The hope is to accomplish this before July but time is limited for all members.

July Meeting

Pat will be away for most of the month of July. We discussed not having a July meeting. We will decide at the June meeting what to do.

Port of Port Townsend (carryover from previous meetings)

The WSU and Gathering Place space rented at the Port (discussed at previous DASH meeting) remains an agenda item for DASH. We will check if WSU Extension has an ADA coordinator.

Accessibility Community Act Grant

The regular monthly meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm, board members stayed until 2:45 and met with Anna McEnery (JC Public Health Developmental Disabilities Coordinator). Anna reviewed what she needs DASH to submit to pursue funding as part of the Accessibility Community Act Grant. She said it is important to be able to show how projects can be sustained once grant money is used up.

Anna shared the movie night process she uses for funding raising. She mentioned Saint Mary's Star of the Sea offers funding four times a year through the 5% Committee

Next meeting –Tuesday, June 3, 2014 at Community Center 12:00-2:00