



**EMPOWERMENT THROUGH INFORMATION COMMITTEE
DRAFT MINUTES**

September 23, 2015

11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council
1740 West Adams Street, Suite 410
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

A standing committee meeting of the Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (ADDPC) was convened on September 23, 2015 at the ADDPC, 1740 West Adams Suite 410 Phoenix, Arizona 85007. Notice having been duly given. Present and absent were the following members of the ADDPC.

Members Present

Ray Morris, Chair, In-person

Jamie Edgin, Teleconference
John Eckhardt, Teleconference

Staff/Guest Present	Members Absent/Regrets
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Lani St. Cyr, Fiscal Manager
Michael Leyva, Contracts Coordinator

A. Call to Order:

Ray Morris made introductions for the Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (ADDPC) Empowerment through Information Standing Committee. The meeting was called to order at 11:03 a.m.

B. Minutes Approval

The minutes from the June 18, 2015 Committee meeting were reviewed with one minor change to the motion to accept the November 10, 2014 minutes, removing Joyce Millard Hoie's name and leaving only John Eckhardt's name as the person who made the motion for approval.

- Motion to accept the revised minutes made by John Eckhardt
- Motion seconded by Jamie Edgin
- Motion carried

C. Traaen & Associates, LLC- Year 4 Renewal \$52,529

Lani St. Cyr gave a review of the accomplishments made in year three of the contract for legislative consulting and a summary of the proposal for year four. The tasks to be completed as part of year four include:

- Individual face-to-face meetings with as many of the 90 elected officials in both the House and the Senate as possible as well as with their staff and policy advisors.
- Prepare weekly legislative updates during the legislative session as well as provide a final summary report recapping the Session highlights.
- Collaborate with the Council staff in conducting community outreach to potential new partners within the state whose work impacts those with developmental disabilities. Including private sector, public sector, not-for-profit organizations, as well as K-12 and post-secondary education systems.
- Attend community events that will provide enhanced information sharing regarding the needs of those with DD.
- Attend ongoing Legislative hearings, Committee meetings, Special topic meetings, task force events as needed throughout the Legislative session.
- Prepare and present Legislative updates for the Council for quarterly meetings upon request.
- Provide prepared materials/videos/educational information to each elected official throughout the Legislative session. Attend follow-up meetings to answer questions and research responses as requested by members of the Legislature. Offer referrals to Council staff for follow-up with elected officials and their constituents.
- As directed, attend community based events on behalf of the Council to provide detail about the work of the Council and issues of importance concerning employment and other related legislation pertaining to citizens with DD.

Questions regarding LOLA and the yellow sheets were answered as well as addressing a request that Traaen & Associates, LLC present at future Council meetings to review progress and keep us abreast of what is going on in the Legislature during the session. There was also discussion around addressing further funding should the Legislative Session be extended or a Special Session is required.

- A motion to fund the year 4 renewal of the Picture of a Life project in the amount of \$52,529 was made by John Eckhardt.
- Motion seconded by Ray Morris
- Motion carried

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D. Call to the Public

No public was in attendance.

E. Adjourn

- A Motion to adjourn was made by Ray Morris
- The Motion was seconded by John Eckhardt
- The Meeting adjourned at 11:18 a.m.

Date this 24th day of September, 2015
Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council