Council Executive Committee

Location: Conference call
Date: Tuesday, February 6, 2018
Time: 11:00 A.M. CDT/ 12:00 P.M. EDT

Present: Tecia Puckett Pryor, Lisa Johnson, Evan Espey, Serina Gilbert, Steve Sheegog
Staff: Wanda Willis, Lynette Porter, JoEllen Fowler, Alicia Cone

Tecia Puckett Pryor, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

1) Review Executive Committee Agenda; Approve Minutes
Tecia reviewed the Executive Committee agenda.

*Steve moved to approve the January 11, 2018 Executive Committee minutes as written. Serina seconded. Approved.*

2) Goal 4 Report
Alicia reviewed the Goal 4 FY17 Summary Evaluation Report. This is the goal related to supporting Council members to achieve the goals and outcomes of our state plan. Alicia went over our 3 objectives and reviewed expected outputs and achieved outputs/outcomes. The feedback comes from various evaluations we give Council members throughout the year. We have met or exceeded each item in each objective and we are in good standing with our federal oversight agency. This data will be included in our PPR (Program Performance Review) which will probably be due to our federal oversight agency in April. The PPR is typically due on January 1st of each year, however, the deadline has been extended because the federal administration is in the process of updating reporting requirements. Councils have not received an official deadline yet.

*Serina moved to approve the Goal 4 FY17 goal summary report. Evan seconded. Approved.*

*Wanda will ask Alicia her thoughts about sharing Goal 4 with the Evaluation Committee. It will probably be included in what goes to the committee and they will look at progress toward our state plan. Wanda will let the Executive Committee know if Alicia has a different plan.*

3) State & Federal Budget Update
Budget Hearings – Wanda reminded everyone that on February 28th staff will present in front of the House Finance, Ways and Means Committee. The Governor released his budget at the end of January and the Council’s budget is level funded with no reductions and no new funding.

Lynette refreshed everyone on how the state budget works. This is the 2018-19 budget which starts July 1, 2018 and goes through June 30, 2019. The House and Senate respectively move their budget packets through the process and we will be presenting our budget as the Governor presented it to
Federal Budget - Lynette reported that the President’s budget release is postponed to February 12th. We are anticipating a cut to many domestic programs, including Councils. As soon as we get any information we will pass it on. We have been told by our national office that Councils will see a reduction but they do not anticipate an elimination of the Council programs from the budget again. Any reductions have to be approved by Congress. Staff will talk with the Executive Committee if we have a significant cut to discuss what we will cut from our budget. In the fall Lynette and Wanda estimated different percentage cuts, up to 25% in order to be prepared.

4) March 2 Council Meeting

Review Draft March 2 Council Meeting Agenda - Wanda reviewed the draft March 2nd Council meeting agenda.

Review Draft Committee Assignments - Lynette reviewed the draft Council standing committees for this year. We have 5 new members who have not been to a committee meeting before and needed to be assigned to one. We are asking some members to move to help spread their strengths around. We try to make sure there is a balance with experience, strengths, disability vs. family members.

2 Potential Vacancies - When we meet in March we will talk about vacancies on the Council and plans to fill them.

5) Disability Day on the Hill Update

Wanda reminded everyone that Disability Day on the Hill is on February 14th. Eight Council members plan to attend. Lauren will send out a detailed schedule later in the week.

6) Motion to Adjourn

At 11:54 a.m. Evan moved for adjournment. Lisa seconded. Approved.

Next meeting: Thursday, March 1 @ 3 p.m. Central at Embassy Suites Nashville Airport

Canceled: March 6th call.

Next call: Tuesday, April 3 at 11 a.m. Central/12 noon Eastern

Prepared by: JoEllen Fowler, Administrative Assistant
Approved by: Wanda Willis, Executive Director