



Council Executive Committee

Location: Virtual (Zoom)
Date: Tuesday, June 4, 2024
Time: 11:00 am CDT / 12:00 pm EDT

Present: Ryan Durham, Brent Wiles, Clancey Hopper, Sarah Cripps, Kim Boyd

Absent: Edward Mitchell

Staff: Lauren Percy, Lynette Porter, Ashley Edwards

The Committee conducted this meeting by electronic means of communication (Zoom for Government). Members of the committee reside across the state, which is key to their ability to represent the diversity of Tennessee. The matters considered by the Executive Committee at that meeting required timely action by the body and physical presence by a quorum of the members is not practical within the period of time requiring action. Required public notice was given.

1) **Call to Order**

After confirming there was a quorum, Ryan Durham, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:05 am CDT / 12:05 EDT.

2) **Consent Agenda: Approve today's Executive Committee Agenda and the May Executive Committee Meeting Minutes.**

The committee reviewed the agenda with no discussion. Sarah Cripps recommended an updated numbering to the list of items on the May 2024 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes document.

Sarah Cripps moved for approval, with edits, the minutes and agenda, and Clancey Hopper seconded this motion. The motion passed unanimously. Approved.

3) **Business Items**

One requirement of the Comptroller's office is to annually report the number of public record requests that the Council receives in a state fiscal year to the Executive Committee. Lynette Porter, Deputy Director, reported that during the past fiscal year, the Council received zero requests for public records. If any public records requests are made between today's meeting and June 30 (end of the fiscal year), staff will alert the Executive Committee.

4) **August Retreat Planning**

Lauren Percy, Executive Director, shared an overview of topics that the Council is considering for the upcoming August Retreat. In discussing the current landscape of the disability field in Tennessee, a three-part discussion about the arch of belonging over time:

1. Where have we been and how did we get here?
2. Where are we now?
3. Where do we go from here?



Staff will work over the next several weeks to create an agenda, invite guest speakers, and organize materials.

5) **Staff Updates**

- Lynette Porter, Deputy Director, reported a slight decrease in the Tennessee Council's Federal Award. Staff will work careful to ensure the decrease of \$4,000 does not negatively impact programs of the Council.
- Lauren Percy, Executive Director, shared an update on appointment nominations. Staff continue to work with the Governor's Office to ensure appointments are in place by the August Retreat.
- The Council's newest staff member, Dirk Strider, began in his role yesterday. Dirk brings to his position an expertise in communication, specific to disability. Lauren will share more information about Dirk's background and expertise in an upcoming email to members.

6) **Other Business**

No other business came before the committee.

7) **Motion to Adjourn**

At 11:40 am CDT / 12:40 pm EDT Sarah Cripps moved to adjourn the meeting. Edward Mitchell seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Approved.

Next call: Wednesday, August 21, 2024, 3:30 pm CST / 4:30 pm EST
Embassy Suites Nashville Airport, Nashville, TN

Prepared by: Ashley Edwards, Executive Assistant

Approved by: Lauren Percy, Executive Director