



Council Executive Committee

Location: Conference Call - WebEx
Date: Tuesday, October 13, 2020
Time: 11:00 a.m. CDT/12:00 p.m. EDT

Present: Ryan Durham, Tatum Fowler, Lesley Guilaran, Lisa Johnson, Tecia Puckett-Pryor

Absent:

Staff: Wanda Willis, Ashley Edwards, Lynette Porter

1) **Call to Order**

After ascertaining there was a quorum, Tecia Puckett-Pryor, Chair, called the meeting to order at **11:02 a.m.**

2) **Consent Agenda: Approve today's Executive Committee Agenda and September 2020 Executive Committee Minutes**

No discussion.

Tatum Fowler moved for approval; Ryan Durham seconded. Approved.

3) **Administration on Community Living Updates**

Wanda Willis, Executive Director, updated members of newly appointed Director of Office of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (OIDD), David Jones. OIDD is an office within the Council's federal funding agent, the Administration on Community Living (ACL). Wanda noted that David seems personally committed to helping others understand the importance of Councils across the country.

The Office of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities has announced its programs that the electronic reporting system used to share outcomes and activities aligned to state plan goals has been shut down. We hope to know the new plan for reporting our work soon.

4) **Disability Employment Awareness Month**

The TN Council is partnering with the Developmental Disability Network partners (Disability Rights Tennessee and the University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities) to do a collaborative #HireMyStrengths post to social media. The National Association of Councils on Developmental Disabilities [wrote an article about the campaign for Disability Employment Awareness month](#). There is also national, cross-agency task force in place.

5) **IDD Services Integration Update**

Wanda shared an update on the integration of waiver services provided to Tennesseans with disabilities will move from TennCare to the Department of Intellectual and Developmental



Disabilities (DIDD). The Council continues to provide support and feedback to both TennCare and DIDD related to this process. Staff will send a final draft of the recommendations the Council staff makes about the integration proposal.

6) **Budget Updates**

Lynette Porter, Deputy Director, reported that agencies are currently working on the FY22 state budget. The Council was asked to submit a budget with a 2% decrease in spending. The Governor's team will be reviewing the proposed FY22 budget in the coming months, and it will be presented to the legislature in January or February.

On the Federal level, Congress passed a continuing resolution for FY21. This allows Councils to access a portion of their proposed funds through December 11th. The funding amount is based on the FY19 amount. Staff will update the Council if anything changes

7) **Virtual Retreat Overview**

Wanda shared the proposed Annual Retreat agenda with the committee. During this meeting, members will determine progress toward state plan goals for this year, review the comprehensive needs analysis, and provide feedback on a proposed draft of the next Five Year State Plan. Staff developed activities and content after reviewing September meeting feedback forms, highlighting the importance of small group discussion for major topics. The Executive Committee agreed that reviewing progress toward state plan goals in committees would allow for a more focused and open discussion about progress toward our goals. Staff will work with council members to prepare for this meeting.

8) **Motion to Adjourn**

At 12:00 p.m. CDT / 1:00 p.m. EDT Lisa Johnson moved to adjourn. Lesley Guilaran seconded. Approved.

Next call: To be determined during the November Retreat

Prepared by: Ashley Edwards, Executive Assistant

Approved by: Wanda Willis, Executive Director