

Public Policy Committee Minutes
GoToMeeting Video Conference
June 5, 2020
9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Members Present:

X	Lori Kershner, Chair		
X	Michael Denlinger	X	Jill Radler
	Morgan Gattermyer	X	Rhonda Rich
X	Pamela Green	X	Michael Richards
X	Rochelle Hall-Rollins	X	Ilka Riddle
	Matt Harrison		Jackie Rigutto
	Emilia Jackson	X	Kerstin Sjoberg
	Jean Jakovlic		Mark Smith
X	Ellie Jazzi	X	Jo Spargo
X	Vicki Jenkins	X	Marci Straughter
X	Karen Kerr		Dara Walburn
	Shannon Komisarek	X	Brandon White
X	Bobbi Krabill		Victor Wilson
	Blaine O’Leary		
	James Plasencia		
X	Paula Rabidoux		

Other Council Members/Guests Present

Kellie Brown	Mark Seifarth
Eric Rathburn	

Staff:

Paul Jarvis	Gary Groom
Carolyn Knight	
Carla Cox	
Rebecca Bates	

Call to Order:

Chairwoman Kershner called the committee to order at 9:33 a.m. Attendance was determined by a roll call.

Minutes:

Chairwoman Kershner called for approval of the minutes. Rhonda Rich moved the minutes be approved as drafted. Michael Denlinger seconded the motion. Without any objections, the minutes were approved as drafted.

Old Business:

Chairwoman Kershner moved to the first item on the agenda, the legislative update. Paul Jarvis provided the committee with additional information on recent proposals to cut the state budget as a result of the COVID19 Pandemic, with the bulk of DODD funding cuts being incurred in Early Intervention and a portion of funds being cut from the multi-system youth program. Jarvis also updated the committee on bills that Council has provided feedback or input on, including Senate Bill 31, House Bill 498, House Bill 13, House Bill 287, and the issue of hospitals potentially rationing care to people with disabilities.

Rhonda Rich asked a question about the requirements to obtain consent for contract tracing. Paul Jarvis and Bobbi Krabill provided answers to her question.

Michael Denlinger, Carolyn Knight, Rochelle Hall-Rollins all provided questions and comments on House Bill 13.

Kerstin Sjoberg provided additional information related to the hospital rationing issue.

Jackie Rigutto asked a question about House Bill 287 related to whether each waiver was required to be set aside. Paul Jarvis said he would get an answer for the committee.

Chairwoman Kershner moved to the next item on the agenda, an update on DD Awareness and Advocacy Day. Paul Jarvis provided the committee with slides that showed participation broken down by county, participant category, and participant demographic information. Additionally, Jarvis provided the committee with results of the event survey.

Lori Kershner asked how much the DD Awareness and Advocacy Day grant received each year. Carolyn Knight commented that participation by people with disabilities was a focus for her when she came to Council, however, the increase seems to have resulted in a decrease in the participation by family members. Mark Seifarth commented that having the live-stream was valuable and he was happy the event is streamed. Marci Straughter said she liked that the event had busing for participants. Michael Denlinger also commented on the availability of busing. Lori Kershner asked about the outreach strategy of the grantee to reach counties that have not participated in the past. Paul Jarvis explained that early registration is offered to targeted counties. Jill Radler commented that Defiance College has an Autism Program that Council could connect with to get word out about the event.

Chairwoman Kershner asked if there were any other items to be discussed under old business. No other items were brought up by members of the committee.

New Business:

Chairwoman Kershner moved to the next item on the agenda, 2021 State Plan Language. Paul Jarvis reviewed the 3 different projects awarded under the Public Policy Committee, and indicated he had mailed or e-mailed the plan language to all committee members. Jarvis outlined changes made to the DD Awareness and Advocacy grant and a change to the Data and Policy Research Grant. The change to the DD Day grant was an increase in the performance measures for people reporting they increased their advocacy and the change to the research grant was an increase in funding.

Michael Denlinger made a motion to approve all three state plan language pieces for the 2021 calendar year as proposed. Michael Richards seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 17-0 (Roll Call attached).

Chairwoman Kershner moved to the next item on the agenda, the brainstorming for the next 5-Year Plan. Paul Jarvis provided some overview of the 5-Year Plan Survey and outlined some strategies that could be considered. He indicated the committee will need to decide whether it wants to continue any projects in the current plan for the next plan and also decide how much each project would be funded at. The committee began provided different thoughts and ideas as follows:

- Lori Kershner recommended Council develop a project for Council to plan its own DC Fly-In on a regular basis. Jo Spargo commented she thought there would be other partners. Rhonda Rich and Michael Denlinger also indicated they would support a project to do this in the next 5-Year Plan.
- Michael Denlinger stated he would like to see the DD Awareness and Advocacy Day continue into the next plan, but to include a plan for families to be more included.
- Jackie Rigutto suggested a legislative intern with a disability. Vicki Jenkins added that if a project like this occurs, it should also consider interns at the local government level too. Rhonda Rich also commented that county boards could also be an intended target for employment. Mark Seifarth commented that a grant similar to this was issued in the past by the Employment Committee, but there were no applicants. Kerstin Sjoberg suggested that pursuing this option may be better through OOD.
- Kerstin Sjoberg suggested a project that would address remote testimony in the legislature. Lori Kershner added that a project of this nature would be very timely. Kerstin added the City of Columbus does follow a model that allows remote public testimony that is more accessible to residents.

- Ilka Riddle suggested continuing the research project, with a focus on a specific topic to identify successful models of services and supports that enable people with disabilities to live in the community. Carolyn Knight suggested APSI could partner on the topic. Marci Straughter said she liked the idea of getting APSI involved.

Chairwoman Kershner stated there would be more time to work on these ideas and encouraged members to keep thinking about these ideas or any new ones they have.

Chairwoman Kershner asked if there were any announcements from members of the committee. Jackie Rigutto announced that CMS has approved Ohio's renewal of the SELF Waiver effective July 1, 2020, and they have already approved the I/O and Level 1 amendments and she expects DODD to make an announcement soon.

Adjournment:

With no further business before the committee, Marci Straughter made a motion to adjourn. Brandon White seconded the motion. Without objection, the committee adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

Attached Roll Call Vote Sheet on next page.

Committee:		<i>Public Policy</i>		Date:	<i>6/5/2020</i>
Motion:		To Approve the 2021 State Plan Language – DD Awareness and Advocacy Day – GAB Sessions – Data and Policy Research Grant			
Member	Present	Yes	No	Abstain	
DENLINGER, Michael	<input type="checkbox"/>	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
GATTERMYER, Morgan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
GREEN, Pamela	<input type="checkbox"/>	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
HALL-ROLLINS, Rochelle	<input type="checkbox"/>	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
HARRISON, Matt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
JACKSON, Emilia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
JAKOVLIC, Jean	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
JAZZI, Ellie	<input type="checkbox"/>	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
JENKINS, Vicki	<input type="checkbox"/>	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
KERR, Karen	<input type="checkbox"/>	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
KOMISAREK, Shannon	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
KRABILL, Bobbi	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
O’LEARY, Blaine	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
PLASENCIA, James	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
RABIDOUX, Paula	<input type="checkbox"/>	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
RADLER, Jill	<input type="checkbox"/>	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
RICH, Rhonda	<input type="checkbox"/>	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
RICHARDS, Michael	<input type="checkbox"/>	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
RIDDLE, Ilka	<input type="checkbox"/>	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
RIGUTTO, Jackie	<input type="checkbox"/>	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
SMITH, Mark	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
SJOBORG, Kerstin	<input type="checkbox"/>	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
SPARGO, Jo	<input type="checkbox"/>	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
STRAUGHTER, Marci	<input type="checkbox"/>	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
WHITE, Brandon	<input type="checkbox"/>	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
WILSON, Victor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
WALBURN, Dara	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
KERSHNER, Lori (Chair)	<input type="checkbox"/>	√	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<u>TOTAL</u>		17			

The above stated motion WAS APPROVED

The above stated motion WAS NOT APPROVED