

Governor's Council on Blindness and Visual Impairment (GCBVI)
Employment Committee Meeting Minutes
January 23, 2018

Members Present

Nikki Jeffords*
Terell Welch*
Kevin Foster*
Tanner Gers*
Jordan Moon*
Jim Strohacker*
Bea Shapiro*

Members Absent

Staff Present

Lindsey Powers, Admin. Assist.
*Teleconferenced

Guests Absent

Call to Order and Introductions

Nikki Jeffords called the meeting to order at 11:40 am in the Council Staff Office, Phoenix, AZ. Introductions were made a quorum was present.

Approval of the January 17, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Terell Welch motioned to approve the minutes from the January 17, 2018 meeting. Jordan Moon seconded the motion. The meeting minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

E75 Logistics Discussion

Nikki Jeffords inquired whether Lindsey Powers received any additional RSVPs for the E75 event. Lindsey Powers stated she received RSVPs from Frank Vance and Akira St. Germain with the Arizona Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired (ACBVI), Janet Fisher, AZ Braille and Talking Book Library, Holly Henley, State Librarian, and Danielle Fowler, SAAVI Services for the Blind. Jordan Moon stated the Employment Committee received a good number of RSVPs so far. Nikki Jeffords stated that she, Terell Welch, and Lindsey Powers developed the seating arrangements for the event and wanted good diversity at each table and for individuals to have opportunities to network. Lindsey Powers reviewed the seating arrangements for the E75 Diversity Builder Award Event.

Jordan Moon stated he would be willing to sit at the Information Table and be able to answer questions at the event. Mr. Moon noted that he would bring some materials for the table. Lindsey Powers stated she would bring materials about the GCBVI as well.

E75 Program Development Discussion

Kevin Foster stated he had developed his presentation speech, which would focus on encouraging attitudinal and leadership change. Tanner Gers inquired regarding the time that committee members could network with employers after the event. Jordan Moon stated at the previous event, employers stayed for an additional 15-20 minutes after the event to talk to committee members.

Agenda and Date for Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Employment Committee will be on February 27, 2018, from 9:00 am to 10:00 am in the DERS Conference Room, at 1789 W. Jefferson Street, Phoenix, AZ. Agenda items are as follows: Agenda items are as follows:

- E75 Event Follow Up Discussion
- Future E75 Events Discussion
- GCBVI Strategic Plan Discussion

Announcements

There were no announcements.

Public Comment

A call was made to the public with no responses forthcoming.

Adjournment of Meeting

Tanner Gers motioned to adjourn the meeting. Bea Shapiro seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 11:58 p.m.