

Human Rights Committee (HRC) Open Meeting Minutes

September Meeting District East

Department of Economic Security
Division of Developmental Disabilities
120 W. 1st Avenue
Mesa, AZ 85210
2nd Floor, East Conference Room
September 13th, 2017
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Call to Order	Suzanne Kensington
Start Time	5:00 pm
Facilitator	Suzanne Kensington
Note taker	Taylor Pike
Attendees	<p>HRC Members Present: Suzanne Kensington, Sheri Reed, Gina Johnson, Mindee Stevenson, Sarah McGovern, Cathy Whalen, Jennifer Huot</p> <p>HRC Members Absent: Leon Igras, Tammy Leeper</p> <p>Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) Staff: Barbara Picone, Taylor Pike</p> <p>On the phone: None</p> <p>Others: Jill Wilson, Joy Smith, Paul Sadler</p>
Agenda Topics	Call to the Public, Welcome and Introduction, New Member Training, Statewide Quality Management Committee (SQMC), Tammy Leeper/Leon Igras hiatus, Approval of Minutes

Call to the Public

Suzanne Kensington

Discussion	No new members of the public in attendance.
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Welcome

Committee

Discussion	The Human Rights Committee (HRC) members introduced themselves. Taylor Pike and Barbara Picone introduced themselves as Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) staff members.
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SQMC Update

Suzanne Kensington

Discussion	Suzanne Kensington briefly spoke about the Statewide Quality Management Committee meeting (SQMC). She provided DDD staff with an update on District East and relayed any concerns and recommendations. The state Program Leader from the National Core Indicator, Pat Volle, gave a presentation on the survey results and the committee's recommendations: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Employment - transition plans don't include paid community jobs and there aren't training classes for jobs.• Medical - Support Coordinators are not aware of the health status of their members. 50% of DDD members are overweight/obese. Arizona is ranked last in the country for dental services.• Certain group homes are creating rules that restrict individuals from visiting members from visiting the home. Laurie Lockyer spoke to the issue of "safe driving" which included policies to prevent members being left in vehicles.
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District News and Updates

Suzanne Kensington

Discussion	Barbara Picone informed the committee that all vacant positions are now fully staffed. Quality Assurance (QA) is fully staffed and the two vacant Area Program Manager (APM) positions are filled, one of which is a new position. The Chandler DES office has been selected to be part of a pilot program for the Arizona Management System (AMS) along with the Cholla DES office who has already began implementing some of the AMS practices. AMS focuses on developing a better work environment, leaning out day to day processes and increasing efficiency through tracking and analyzing data. Barbara Picone informed the new members' how QA works with the HRC, their responsibilities within the division and her specific role within QA.
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Tammy Leeper/Leon Igras Hiatus

Suzanne Kensington

Discussion	Tammy Leeper is pursuing an internship and will be unable to participate in HRC meetings for a year. Leon Igras is taking a leave of absence due to work and home life and will be able to attend HRC meetings in a couple of months. Taylor Pike explained that members were not allowed to do so. Suzanne Kensington will address "inactive member status" at the Statewide Meeting.
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Approval of August 2017 Minutes

Suzanne Kensington

Discussion	Sheri Reed made a motion to approve the August 2017 minutes as written, motion seconded by Gina Johnson . Motion carried.
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Executive Session

Suzanne Kensington

Discussion	Suzanne Kensington made a motion to go into Executive Session, motion seconded by Gina Johnson .
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Adjournment

Suzanne Kensington

Conclusion	The next meeting will be held on October 11th, 2017 at 5:00 pm at the 120 W. 1 st Avenue, Mesa, AZ location. Meeting adjourned by Suzanne Kensington at 7:00 pm.
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