

Cape Fear Disability Commission

May 20, 2020 Meeting Minutes

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

- The meeting was called to order at 2:04pm.
- The meeting was held via ZOOM.

II. **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

- Those in attendance introduced themselves and the agency they represented. Some had audio and communication issues due to Zoom connection problems and the lack of an ASL interpreter or meeting transcription.
- 13 individuals were in attendance for all or part of the meeting: Billy Eno, dRC; Vanessa Lacer, Wave Transit and CFDC Co-Chair; David Schultz, UNCW; Daisy Rivenbark, NCDHHS; Renee Holder, dRC; David Morrison; Jonathan Batts, City of Wilmington; Gloria Garton, dRC, Julia Griffin, NHC; Benji Pittman, Arc; Meg McBride, Hope Recuperative Care; Angelique Carlson, Access Miracle League; Susan Silver, Comprehensive Care Wilmington

III. **Vote on Board Nominations**

- A motion was made by Vanessa and seconded by Billy to elect a slate of 14 nominees to the board. The motion passed with a unanimous vote of the commission in favor of electing the following individuals to serve on the CFDC board:
 - Shannon Barham
 - Jonathan Batts
 - Ami D'Ambrosio
 - Billy Eno
 - Gloria Garton
 - Julia Griffin
 - Sarah Henry
 - Renee Holder
 - Deborah Perez-Lopez
 - Benjalee Pittman
 - Daisy Rivenbark
 - Debbie Sewell
 - Susan Silver
 - Janelle Taylor

a. **Discussion on next steps for CFDC**

- The newly elected board will vote to install officers at the August 19th quarterly meeting of the CFDC. The meeting is scheduled for 10:30am and may be virtual, via Zoom. Daisy Rivenbark will take the lead and work with Jonathan Batts to hire ASL interpreters for upcoming meetings (virtual or in-person). The final quarterly CFDC meeting of 2020 will occur on November 18, 2020.

IV. **REPORTS**

a. **CITY REPORT: Jonathan Batts, CFDC Treasurer**

- Jonathan did not give a report due to audio issues with Zoom.

b. **TRANSPORTATION REPORT: Vanessa Lacer, CFDC Outreach Co-Chair**

- Vanessa reported that anyone wanting to attend in-person of the CFDC can contact her to receive a free roundtrip bus or DART ticket. Also, the Brunswick Co. Commissioners recently voted not to renew funding for route 204 which serves northern Brunswick Co. Therefore, starting in August, 2020 (date TBA) bus route 204 will be discontinued and DART service will also no longer be provided within $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile of route 204. Vanessa also reported that fixed route bus service is currently free with fare reinstatement expected later in the summer. Free fares are part of a social distancing protocol which also includes the closure of transfer stations. Transfer stations are expected to reopen this summer as well.

V. **OLD BUSINESS**

- None reported

VI. **NEW BUSINESS**

- None reported

VIII. **ANNOUNCEMENTS & SPECIAL EVENTS**

- Angelique – virtual programs are available at ACCESS of Wilmington
 - Email for more information: angelique@accessilm.org
- Renee- virtual book club and virtual leadership series for young adults with Stevie are available through the dRC
 - Email for more information: renee.holder@drc-cil.org
- Julia- Meal drive though for seniors available through the NHC Senior Resource Center
 - Email for more information: jgriffin@nhcgov.com

ADJOURN

- The meeting was adjourned at 3:05pm.