

# **ATEL Committee Meeting**

## **TechACCESS**

**September 16, 2010**

**9:00 AM**

### **Attendees:**

**Roberta Greene Whittemore, Denise Corson, James Litvack, Laura Peterson, Pam Kling, Laurie Duffy, Ellen Lenox Smith, Harry Mancoll, Melissa Rosenberg, Mathew Provost, Joe Pereira, and Interpreter Paul Giard.**

**1. Introduction of new Committee Members: Ellen Lenox Smith, Harry Mancoll, Melissa Rosenberg, Mathew Provost, and Joe Pereira.**

**2. Minutes reviewed and accepted.**

**3. ATEL Update- Pam Kling has been rehired for 10 hours a week as the Program Assistant.**

**4. Denise brought most of the current ATEL equipment offerings to the meeting and discussed the features of the phone and what type of disabilities they were used for in the program. There are two main types of amplified phones for individual that are hard of hearing: Ameriphone XL40D- which has excellent sound quality, easy to use design, large light up buttons, speech amplification and talking keypad, and Clearsounds CSC600 – which has fairly good sound quality, large light up buttons, Caller ID and an EXCELLENT speakerphone feature. Also, the RC200 Speakerphone for individuals that are unable to hold/use a standard telephone with**

varying switches used to operate phone. Furthermore, two emergency type devices: FRED which is a pendant used to call 911, and the Clearsounds AEC phone which is used to contact up to 6 friends and/or family members in the event of an emergency. In addition, the Q90 which is used for HCO (Hearing Carry Over for individuals that can speak but can't hear), and the TTY for deaf individuals that do not speak. Lastly, two models of Captel phones: the 800 for analog lines and the 800i for individuals that have telephone and internet service; the Captel phones are for individuals that speak but are deaf or very hard of hearing.

5. The time and date of next meeting: 9AM-11AM, December 2nd at the PUC.