



**Governor's Commission on Disabilities
Public Forum Transportation and
Accessibility Working Group /
Legislation Committee**

Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2013 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

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Attendees: Judi Drew; Casey Gartland; Bill Inlow; & Ron McMinn
Staff: Bob Cooper & Bryana Boucher



4:00 Call to Order and Election of the Working Group's Chairperson, Bob Cooper

Introduction of Working Group Members



Potential MOTION: To elect Casey Gartland, the Transportation and Accessibility Working Group Chairperson
Motion moved by BI, seconded by RMcM, *passed unanimously*



4:05 Chairperson

Purpose/Goal: To Identify the Concerns of Public Forums on the Concerns of People with Disabilities and their Families' participants and propose recommendations for addressing those concerns.

The work group should look at:

infrastructure & resourcing;
guidance & coordination;
quality control;

information & referral;
professional development & credentialing; &
quality of life.

Concerns	Recommendations	Testimony on Pages
Taking away accessibility to Ride when people fail to be at the scheduled pick up.	GCD Legislation committee should look at another solution such as levying a fine	P. 56 & 57
Access to an accessible minivan	GCD should refer the person to OSCIL.	P.103
High cost of Ride	GCD legislation committee should consider submitting legislation that implements a sliding scale	P. 111
Person (son) needing an assistant while taking Ride	GCD should follow up with family to let them know they can ride the bus with them	P. 140
Public events not having enforced accessible parking & seating	GCD legislation committee should propose legislation requiring those holding public events have the ADA required parking and seats as well as a way to enforce it (i.e. police)	P.109
Non-accessibility of state college	GCD legislation committee should propose	P.79

campuses when construction is being done	legislation requiring the state colleges ensure accessibility to all buildings. Walkways, etc, as well as the ratio of handicapped parking spaces, whenever a construction project is undertaken.	
Transportation	GCD should propose a task force that develops a multi-faceted plan to expand transportation resources (such as using school buses top assist transporting people with disabilities)	None
	<p>Motion: To adopt the concerns and recommendations above Motion moved by RMcM, seconded by JD, <i>passed unanimously</i></p>	
	<p><i>5:30 Adjournment Chairperson</i></p>	
	<p>MOTION: To adjourn at 5 PM Motion moved by RMcM, seconded by JD, <i>passed unanimously</i></p>	