



Description of graphic: RI State Seal an anchor in gold behind a blue wheelchair logo. Just below is a blue banner with the state motto "Hope". All are in the center of a ring of 8 blue stars, in groups of 2 separated by the logos for Braille, hearing aids, low vision and amplified phone.

Governor's Commission on Disabilities Employment Committee

Thursday, May 19, 2011 9–10:15 AM

Meeting Location: John O. Pastore Center, 600 New London Ave.,
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| Attendees: | Pat Ryherd (Chair), Vicki Ferrara, Sandy Lupovitz, Melanie Sbardella, Vincent Rossi, Meryl Bernstein | | |
| Excused: | Arthur Plitt, Paul Harden, Cristina Amedeo | | |
| Staff: | Chris Rancourt Bruzzi | | |
| | Agenda Topics | Moderator/Leader | Time |
|  Clock graphic | Call to Order and Acceptance of the Minutes | Patricia Ryherd, Chairperson | 9:05 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> voting check off graphic | MOTION: To accept the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. MS/MB unanimously approved. | | |
|  money graphic | NEADA Contract Obligations | Pat Ryherd | 9:10 |
| | Purpose/Goal: Current NEADA grant from NIDRR ends Sept. 30, 2011, review of data from the federal register on the possible new grant. | | |
| | Discussion: PR reviewed what she learned from the federal register. Specifically, the priorities are 1) Technical assistance, dissemination of information, and capacity to do multi-site research; 2) ADA national knowledge translation center; and, 3) National network research collaborative. Any or all of the priorities may be chosen. Comments will not be on-line. | | |
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|  Woman presenting data on flipchart graphic | Staff report | Chris Rancourt Bruzzi | 9:40 |
| | Purpose/Goal: Review key staff activities and concerns. | | |

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| | <p>Key staff activity was the revamping of the ADA presentations now that the ADA Amendments Act regulations were finalized by the EEOC.</p> <p>Primary concern was the attendance fluctuation at the College and University meetings. After a brief analysis of the meeting topics, it was clear that the meetings topics that the college and university staff most heavily attended were the meetings in which they could take back and apply information provided immediately e.g. meetings on autism and veteran programs. Informational meetings such as the Fall 2011 meeting that covered the R.I. labor market did not have the information that was immediately usable by the college and university staffs.</p> | | |
|  <small>voting check off graphic</small> | MOTION: N/A | | |
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|  <small>college cap graphic</small> | Next College/University Disability & Career Services Meeting | | Chris Rancourt Bruzzi 10:00 |
| | <p>VF volunteered the Sherlock Center to host the fall meeting for College and University Staff. Topic will be psychiatric disabilities. Date to be determined. CRB will contact a speaker.</p> | | |
|  <small>voting check off graphic</small> | Motion: N/A | | |
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|  <small>calendar graphic</small> | Agenda and Scheduling the Next Meeting | Patricia Ryherd | 10:10 |
| | <p>Items on the next meeting's agenda: the new contract, Project EARN, the fall of 2011 College and University Staff meeting.</p> | | |
| | <p>Next meeting will be on: Thursday, June 16, 2010 9:00-10:30 in the GCD Conference Room</p> | | |
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|  <small>alarm clock graphic</small> | Adjournment | Patricia Ryherd | 10:15 |
|  <small>voting check off graphic</small> | MOTION: To adjourn at 10:15 SL/AP unanimously approved. | | |

May 24, 2011