



Kansas Council on Developmental Disabilities

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*"To ensure the opportunity to make choices regarding participation in society
and quality of life for individuals with developmental disabilities"*

Meeting Minutes

March 8, 2013

Kanza Café, 2701 SW East Circle Drive South
Topeka, KS 66606

Members Present: Brennon, Bowley, Fairbank, Jones, King, Woods, Nichols, Wehmeyer, Pickell, Stewart, Morgan, Steffy, Rasnic

Staff Present: Gieber

Staff Absent: Excused: May, Tatum, Cobbs

Members Absent: Excused - Santiago , Ostrander, Wilson

Guests:

Call to Order: Brennon officially called the meeting to order at 9:10am.

Public comment: No public comments.

Gieber: The council held the meeting at the new Kanza Café. **Gieber** discussed the Kanza Café and their relationship in the developmental disability community. He also provided an update on the absence of the staff from the meeting.

Min\Dec. 12, 2012: An open discussion on December 12, 2012 minutes. Motion\ Jones, Rasnic\ Second. Minutes approved.

Budget Info: KCDD Budget Report – Gieber explained how the council is operating on \$600K instead of \$613K because only \$300K was received for 1st half of the annual allocation.

Gieber also reported that KCDD's DSA is doing a great job with providing financial information and other services to the council.

SACK provided a balance report for Partners with no real questions.

A SACK grant for \$15,000 was discussed and voted on. The grant is a co-sponsorship for scholarship money to enable self advocates across the state to attend the annual Self Advocacy Conference June 14-16, 2013 in Topeka, KS.– Motion carried

Due to limited funds available, the council will wait before approving future funds.

A Draft PPR Report is due March 15th
The staff is working to finish it up and have all KCDD objectives met in compliance.

Staff Report:

Gieber traveled to Kuffman Foundation Center to participate in a two-day discussion with seventeen other DD council staff from various states. The discussion was to find ways to engage people with developmental disabilities in community political discourse.

Gieber will also attend the Disability Policy Summit in Washington DC on April 14-17, 2013. The annual meeting of NACDD has been scheduled for July 8 -10th.

Advocacy Report – Partner’s Advisory Committee recommended to start Partners June 2013 through February 2014 for legislative testimony. The next Partner’s Advisory meeting will be March 26, 2013, 10:30am-1:30pm.

Link for online option for Partners.

<http://www.partnersinpolicymaking.com/online.html>

Eval Exec Dir: Executive Director’s Evaluation. The council went into closed executive session at 9:37am - 10:03am. Motion\Wood for 30 minutes in executive session, Fairbank\Second.

Governance Com: Previous Committee: Jones, Fairbank, Shiff, Nichols, (maybe) Rasnic, King.

Present Committee: Chair\King, Fairbank, Nichols and Rasnic. The committee needs to take some action before the next council meeting in May.

New Council: The council discussed replacements of open council members positions. Giber talked to the appointment secretary. She said it should take 4-6 weeks to appoint any new council member.

Legislative: The council discussed several of the current legislations that are being proposed in this years’ legislative session. The main bills to watch are SB 209, SB 194 SB 195 SB 175, HB 2025, and HB 2351

Retreat: Council asked staff to make necessary arrangements for the 2013 KCDD Retreat. Location and details will be out soon.

Adjournment: 1:10pm

2013 KCDD Meeting Dates:

* **March 8, 2013**

* **May 2-3, 2013 – Retreat (TBA)**

* **August 2, 2013**

* **November 15, 2013**