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Employment Committee Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

TO JOIN THE MEETING:

Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82019421104?pwd=UFcyUUUp1VWJHOGJuSDhDMFJIMWN3QT09>

Meeting ID: 820 1942 1104

Passcode: 294054

Toll Free numbers: 888 475 4499, 833 548 0276, 833 548 0282, 877 853 5257

Call to Order:

Anna Attla, Employment Committee Chair

Roll Call / Begin ZOOM Recording:

Committee Members: Nona Safra, Jena Crafton, Ken Hamrick, Duane Mayes, Anna Attla, Margret Evans

(Quorum is defined as a majority of Committee Members).

GCDSE Staff: Patrick Reinhart, Samantha Vetter

Welcome from the Chair:

Introductions, announcements, and/or good news (Nona Safra).

Conflict of Interest Declarations:

This is an opportunity for committee members to declare if they have a conflict with any item on the agenda, financial or otherwise.

Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes and Agenda:

- Approval of Agenda
 - *SAMPLE MOTION: I make a motion to approve the meeting agenda as presented.*
- Approval of Past Meeting Minutes
 - *SAMPLE MOTION: I make a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented.*

Reports:

- Chair-Anna Attla
- GCDSE Staff -Samantha Vetter

Business:

- CAF/other legislative items from employment (position paper from Legislative Committee meeting)
- Work Matters Task Force/ AADD/AMHTA Plan Recommendations/Plans:

Discussion about subjects from the recommendations for future council Employment Workplan (Ideas from AMHTA work plan and Employment Champions Group)

- 'Ban the Box' issues (do we need a position paper/future workplan item?)
- Advocate to remove the lifetime cap on pre-employment services (AADD would discuss this, does our committee have points I can take to AADD group?)
- Partner with school systems to start working on employment at age 14 (ASD Academies Model and DIF Grant)

- Identify funding for on the job accommodations (CAF Recommendations, any PSA for employment incentives)
- Increase education about benefits - including user-friendly info for families (DB101 + DIF Website)
- Address the lack of transportation for group home residents (Jamie – 1115 Waiver meeting about transportation, using Medicaid to pay for transportation pilot project) <https://www.kff.org/medicaid/issue-brief/section-1115-waiver-watch-approvals-to-address-health-related-social-needs/>
- Discussion of PSA Message – Employment First
 - What would the potential target audience be
 - What would be the main takeaway/action for people to take

Time and Date of Next Meeting:=

- February 13-15, 2024 Council Meeting
- April 9, Needs to be changed.

Good of the Order and Adjournment:

- 2:30pm - Motion to Adjourn