

Clark County Accessible Communities Advisory Committee CCACAC

Thursday, September 26, 2024 330PM Via MS Teams

Initial meeting -Clark County Accessible Communities Advisory Committee

335PM Introductions and Welcome By Jordan Boege and Karen Bowerman

Jordan Boege - Lives in Camas - Has been or will be appointed as staff liaison for CCAC

Lilly Longshore - lives in uses wheelchair for 22 yrs, and wants to be on committee to help our community

Jesseica Elliott - lives in Clark County, excited to be here, and help make areas accessible to all. Going back to school, shifting to career mode.

Karen Bowerman - district 3 Clark County Council.

Dave Carl - Lives in Vancouver, Social Worker and ADA coordinator.

Eric Thorstensen - lives in Battle Ground, 12 yrs ago experienced Spinal Cord Injury. This event opened up a whole new world for him. Happy to be here, and help make lives better for our community. Comes from Engineering and has tech back round.

Jean Hood - Lives in Clark County, works for provider of complex rehab equipment, mostly manual and power wheelchairs. Former board of directors for non-profit, took a 10 year break, happy to be a part of this group, excited to help make change.

Lyn Sowdon - lives in Vancouver, Rheumatoid Arthritis for 50 yrs, sjogren's syndrome, retired - tutors in school district, retired from US Dept of Justice ADA Act for 16 yrs. Member of Governors committee. Originally from NY

Daniell Lee - Upper extremity amputee, happy to be here with us, lives in Brush Prairie

Leigh Radford - communications staff, Clark County - Graphic Designer lives in Felida and our web page designer.

Joni McAnally - Communications staff, Clark County - assisting with website design and content.

Website discussion, Joni and Leigh asking about our own logo - TBD

Send minutes and agenda to Jordan, he will cascade to web team - Leigh and Joni

Send resource links, mission statement, BIO (picture not required) to Jordan direct, so Leigh/Joni can update website.

Lilly - will look at Jefferson/Kitsap County websites for accessibility - will review and get back to us with ideas.

More logo discussion, should it be our own or more of a recognizable logo - TBD

Bylaw discussion - went over and edited bylaws - will have updated sent to the group.

Chair appointments, and volunteering discussion:

Dave/Lyn - Liaison to CGD co- chairs

Lilly/Jesseica community outreach

Eric T - Vice Chair (grant writing)

Dave - Chair

Jean - Secretary

Daniel Lee - no position, will be float/all around

Lilly - (grant writing)

Dave, Chair called for voting 7 Members: All in favor of the following Officers:

Chair- Dave Carl

Vice Chair - Eric Thorstensen

Secretary - Jean Hood

Community Outreach coordinator- Lilly Longshore and Jesseica Elliott Co-Chair

Liaison to the Governors Committee on Disability-Dave Carl

429PM - recurring meeting discussion/planning: discussed pre scheduling upcoming meetings. Decided 1x month, last Thursday of the month at 330PM for 1 hour, leaving open to majority to vote per bylaws

433PM updated bylaws viewed, and will be edited by Karen - to be emailed by Jordan to the team for approval. Team needs to approve by end of 10/2/2024 5PM for Clark County Council approval.

440PM Future Topics

Karen introduced option for Cliff at Visit Vancouver and coordination for options

Dave mentioned talking to the CC Sheriff or Vancouver Police Chief regarding ticketing illegal ADA Parking. Eric brought up working with Karen in the past on this issue. Would like to look at working with Police Chief to help provide awareness and channels for options for the public to help make that change.

Community Outreach: booth at county fair, farmers market,

Raise awareness and educate - Parking space width, for van accessibility. 8 feet for Van Spot, # of ADA parking spots per parking lot/business.

Lyn - Contact Dept of Justice for resources.

Grant written for tables/booth for county fair

455PM Meeting Adjourn