



PAIMI Advisory Council Minutes 10/23/2021 / 10:30 AM

Attendance

Councilmembers present: Tina, Caroline, Kaea, Weston, Staci, Steve, Heidi

Councilmembers absent: Michael, Brandon

dLCV Staff Present: Nicole Durose, Becka Herbig, interns Kat, Sarah, Taylor

Public Guests: Carrie, Jennifer, David

Call to Order

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from July 30, 2021 were approved.

Edits to Minutes: None

Individual Advocacy Updates

- Steve: Manor High School in Portsmouth, VA could use some more library books and magazines in the field of Black history and English ASL
- Staci: Region 5 hotlines scheduled to go live December first, starting 24 hour crisis receiving center for Region 5
- Caroline: Wheelchair dependent brother kept on a locked ward in facility in Staunton, but they don't have the staff to accommodate taking him outside for some fresh air
- Kei: SPED advocacy center for Hanover County, only attending to children with ADHD and Autism and avoiding others with other disabilities
- Weston: Health Wagon in Wise VA - they have a shortage of staff and lost nurse practitioner who does psychiatric care. There is a lack of doctors and nurses at this nonprofit; concern surrounding people in that area of the state receiving care
- Heidi: CIT making headway; need for CIT being emphasized. Training (least restrictive environment) is making an impact
- Steve: Northern VA Mental Health Institute - people who get admitted spend at least 3 years there
- Jennifer: Advocating to educate media and law enforcement, lobbying at the GA, her focus is on civil commitment
- Carrie: Staff shortages—conversations with key players in HR about it and they have been looking at ways to do a better job of employing and retaining people with disabilities to help with the staffing shortages. Accessible technology and accommodations could be helpful in this process.

Agenda Items

Board Updates

- Approving budget for next year
 - Personnel policies - approve giving dLCV employees time off for sick leave
 - Updates on task force

- Examining power and role of the Board President over PAC decisions

FY22 Objectives

- IRU
 - Becka reviewed FY22 Objectives and answered any questions/concerns
- CAU
 - Sarah presented on the foster care transition policy clarification

Diversity

- Importance of diversifying Council and providing training to Council on how to improve diversity
- Recruiting more people from the Western part of the state

Litigation Report

Colleen presented on:

- Legislative session from Jan 12-march 12
 - Better medicaid services for people with traumatic brain injuries
 - Abuse and neglect registry
- dLCV have volunteers to sit in on the session (Caroline showed interest)
- Overview of year-end progress report

Next meeting date set for February 5th, 2022

Adjourned

Motion to adjourn made at 2:30 and passed unanimously.