**NV Governor’s Council on Developmental Disabilities (NGCDD) Executive Committee Meeting Minutes from September 8, 2022**

**ZOOM**

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**In-Person Meeting Location:**

NV Governor’s Council on Developmental Disabilities  
808 West Nye Lane, Carson City, NV 89703

# Special Notes

* All items reviewed during this meeting are available for view on the NGCDD website; under the event created for this meeting: [www.nevadaddcouncil.org](http://www.nevadaddcouncil.org/)
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# Introductions

Committee Members Present: Maxmillian Lowe, Vice Chair; Vickie Ives; Kimberly Palma-Ortega; Santa Perez

Committee Members Absent: Christine Riggi, Chair

NGCDD Staff Present: Catherine Nielsen, Executive Director; Ellen Marquez, Self-Advocacy Coordinator; Rebecca Ortiz, Executive Assistant; Marisol Rivas, Projects Manager

Public Present: Stacy Alaribe; Tom D’Angelo; Judith Dreyer; Karen Garrison; LeAnn Grate; Patty Kuglitsch; Connie Martinez; Obioma Officer; Michael Pimental; Tom Scuderi; Benjamin Soukup; Bridget ?

# Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Executive Committee Vice Chair, Maxmillian Lowe at 10:04 a.m.

Ellen Marquez, Self-Advocacy Coordinator verified that the agenda for this meeting was posted to the appropriate locations on September 2, 2022.

# Public Comment

Mr. Lowe asked if there was any public comment.

* Catherine Nielsen stated the Partners in Policymaking Class applications are available to those wanting to be part of the 2023 class.
* Obioma Officer thank you the committee for the support for this meeting.
* Benjamin Soukup stated Global Technical Communications is looking forward to working with the Council.

# Approval of June 22, 2022 Minutes

Mr. Lowe asked if everyone had reviewed the June 2, 2022 minutes and asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

**Vickie Ives motioned to approve the June 2, 2022 minutes as written. Santa Perez seconded the motion. The motion carried with Kimberly Palma-Ortega abstaining.**

# Consumer Leadership Development Funds

Mr. Lowe deferred to Catherine Nielsen, Executive Director for an explanation of the Consumer Leadership Development Funds (CLDF) applications.

Ms. Nielsen stated Judy Dreyer, Karen Garrison and Lucy Pierce had all applied to attend the Aktion Club Convention in Wonder Valley, CA on October 14 – 16, 2022. They are requesting funds for Family Out-of-State and opened this item for discussion.

**Ms. Perez motioned to approve up to $2,500 for Family Out-of-State funds for each person. Ms. Ives seconded the motion. The motion carried with Ms. Palma-Ortega abstaining.**

Ms. Nielsen stated Christopher Ripke has applied to attend the Arc Convention in Denver, CO on November 10 – 12, 2022. He is requesting funds for an Individual Out-of-State and opened this item for discussion.

**Mr. Lowe motioned to approve up to $1,750 for an Individual Out-of-State funds for Christopher Ripke. Ms. Ives seconded the motion. The motion carried with Ms. Perez voting no and Ms. Palma-Ortega abstaining.**

Ms. Nielsen stated there were several applications for the Down Syndrome Congress in Las Vegas, NV on October 22, 2022. Ms. Marquez explained there were twenty-one applications for this grant, but the CLDF policy only allows for five applications for an In-State event.

Ms. Nielsen stated David Rovetti and Rose Fulton are requesting funds for Family In-State and Michelle Taylor, Karina Pina and Justin Adams are requesting funds for an Individual In-State and opened this item for discussion.

**Ms. Perez motioned to approve up to $1,750 for Family In-State and up to $1,000 for an Individual In-State for the five applications. Ms. Ives seconded the motion. The motion carried with Ms. Palma-Ortega abstaining.**

# Objective 1.3 Grant

Mr. Lowe deferred this item to Ms. Nielsen.

Ms. Nielsen reviewed Objective 1.3, Reduce identified barriers to accessing technology and digital information for individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities (I/DD) representing racial and/or ethnic disparities, Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Blind/Visually Impaired and/or those living in rural communities. She then explained the grant submitted from Global Technical Communications (GTC) and opened the floor to GTC team members for introductions.

Ms. Nielsen and Mr. Soukup reviewed the grant and the plan GTC has for using these funds. This agenda item was opened for discussion.

**Ms. Perez motioned to approve up to $40,000 for Objective 1.3 to GTC. Ms. Ives seconded the motion. The motion carried with Ms. Palma-Ortega abstaining.**

# Next Meeting Date

Mr. Lowe stated the next Executive Committee meeting will be October 6, 2022 at 10:00 am via ZOOM.

# Public Comment

Mr. Lowe asked if there was any public comment. None was given.

# Adjournment

Mr. Lowe adjourned the meeting at 11:01 a.m.