

Meeting Minutes

Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities Regular Meeting

October 8, 2024 | 7:00 a.m.

Room 101, Chandler Community Center
125 E. Commonwealth Ave., Chandler, AZ



Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Fay at 7:03 a.m.

Roll Call

Commission Attendance

Chair Tom Fay
Vice Chair Kim Foy
Committee member William Hespel
Committee Member Erin Fortner
Committee member Julie Lazzara
Committee member Jeff Deaver

Staff Attendance

Nora Boettcher, Adaptive Recreation
Supervisor
Josh Adams, Business System Analyst

Absent

Committee member Justine McDilda

Consent Agenda

1. September 10, 2024, Minutes
Regular Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, September 10, 2024.

Consent Agenda Motion and Vote

Comm. Hespel moved to approve the Consent Agenda; Seconded by Comm. Deaver.

The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

Action Agenda

2. Approve Scholarship and Stipend Program Applications – none received.

Discussion

3. Discussion Disability Awareness Award February 2025, review adding a new category of Ally or Advocate

The committee discussed whether or not an additional award category should be added for this year's Disability Awareness awards. It was stated that the current awards consist of teacher of the year (OTY), student OTY, volunteer OTY, employee OTY, and employer OTY. The committee discussed the differences between the terms Ally and Advocate. A discussion ensued. The committee agreed to add the agenda item to the next meeting's action agenda and approve adding Ally OTY to the Disability Awareness Awards.

4. Discussion of the upcoming 2024 Golf Challenge, to be held Thursday, November 14, 2024

Ms. Boettcher had a couple of questions she needed confirmation on. She asked Chair Fay how many volunteers he could bring to the Golf Challenge. Chair Fay stated that he could bring up to 90. Ms. Boettcher asked if two weeks before the event, enough notice for notice of exactly how many volunteers would be needed. Chair Fay confirmed that was enough time.

Ms. Boettcher provided an updated with regards to sponsorships. She stated that more sponsors have been secured since the last meeting. However, there are fewer sponsors than last year's event, and there is no title sponsor for this year's event.

Committee member Foy inquired about the registration for the event. Ms. Boettcher stated that it was trending lower than last year's event.

5. Discussion to review survey results regarding new committee meeting time.
Ms. Boettcher stated that the survey was inconclusive as there were five responses. One was in favor of changing the time to evenings and another in favor of leaving the time as is. The remaining responses were impartial to what time the meetings occur. The remaining responses stated that there was no preference either way. A discussion ensued.

Mr. Adams stated that the next item was related to this topic but addressed the time and exact meeting dates for 2025. Mr. Adams suggested reaching a general consensus for this agenda item and then deciding how to proceed with the next discussion topic. The committee agreed to keep the same meeting times, with a couple of exceptions, and to move on to discuss the 2025 meeting schedule.

6. Discussion to review the proposed meeting schedule for 2025, pending agreement on meeting time. Possible consent agenda item at next meeting.

The committee reviewed and discussed the proposed meeting schedule for 2025. The committee agreed to keep the second Tuesday each month with the exception of November 4th and April 8th. The committee discussed moving November 11th to November 4th due to Veteran's Day. They also discussed moving the April 8th meeting to the evening to allow another option time for the general public to attend. A discussion ensued. The committee agreed to add approval of the changes to the action agenda for approval.

Calendar Items


7. The next Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities meeting will be held on November 12, 2024, at 7:00 a.m. in the Chandler Community Center, Room 101, 125 E. Commonwealth Ave.

Information Items

8. Future agenda item - Division of Developmental Disabilities Presentation, January 14, 2025 meeting

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 a.m. by Chair Fay.



Raquel Delgado, Secretary



Tom Fay, Chair