

Meeting Minutes

Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities Regular Meeting

November 4, 2025 | 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 Hespel at 7:02 a.m.

Roll Call

Commission Attendance

Chair Bill Hespel
Vice Chair Julie Lazzara
Committee member Kim Foy
Committee member Geoffrey Foote
Committee member Emily Raymond
Committee member Steven Briggs
Committee member Elisha Anderson
Committee member Jenny Miller

Staff Attendance

Becky Kuiper, Recreation Superintendent
Josh Adams, Business System Support Analyst

Absent

Committee member Tom Fay

Consent Agenda

1. October 14, 2025 Minutes
Regular Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, October 14, 2025.

Consent Agenda Motion and Vote

Comm. Foy moved to approve the Consent Agenda, provided that the adjournment of the meeting be changed to Chair Hespel; seconded by Comm. Foote. Motion carried unanimously (8-0).

Action Agenda

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

Discussion

3. Golf Challenge

Becky Kuiper provided the following update on the Mayor's Committee Golf Challenge scheduled for Friday, November 7, 2025, at Bear Creek Golf Course.

- Registration: Closed with 105 golfers registered
- Councilmember Poston will attend and participate
- Estimated net proceeds: \$13,144 (before raffle and mulligan sales)
- Sponsors: Dignity Health, Chase Building Team, Hunter Construction, CDR Painting, Dave Bang, Tyler's Place, AAPD, Landon's Legacy, Public Restroom Company, As You Wish, Chandler Firefighter Charities, Goodman Schwartz, and Foy's Automotive
- Raffle Items: Approximately 30–35 prizes prepared; goodie bags assembled using soft-sided coolers
- Schedule: Volunteers to arrive by 9:30 a.m.; shotgun start at 12:30 p.m.; event expected to conclude by 6:30–7:00 p.m.
- Payments: Cash and credit cards are accepted via Square readers
- Steve Welker, who traditionally participates as a visually impaired golfer, will be unable to attend; a donation opportunity will remain at his sponsored hole

4. Movie Screening

The committee discussed the proposed upcoming film screening scheduled for January 24, 2026, at the Chandler Center for the Arts.

A subcommittee was formed to coordinate logistics and programming: Emily Raymond, Kim Foy, Geoffrey Foote, William Hespel, and Elisha Anderson. The subcommittee will meet on Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at 12:30 p.m. Members discussed the film's mature content and agreed to review it before finalizing promotional plans. Alternatives, such as showing edited clips or hosting a moderated conversation, were discussed.

Comm. Foy motioned to establish a subcommittee to discuss if the movie is appropriate for what the Committee hopes to accomplish with the screening, meeting on November 18, 2025, at 12:30 p.m. Chair Hespel seconded. The motion carried unanimously 8-0.

5. Fun Run

Ms. Kuiper confirmed the Adaptive Recreation Fun Run will take place on February 26, 2026. Registration opens on November 5, 2025, and is expected to fill up quickly. Food service remains under discussion, with Costco hot dogs as the likely option.

6. Tabling Event – IHD Evidence for Success Disability Conference, June 23–24, 2026

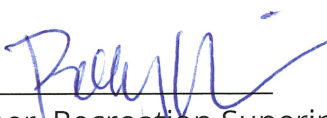
Comm. Lazzara proposed tabling at the Arizona Department of Health’s annual disability conference at Wild Horse Pass. The early-bird exhibitor registration fee is \$275 and includes one registration. Members agreed to table the discussion until January 2026 for budget review. Comm. Foote motioned to table the discussion for the January meeting. Comm. Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously 8-0.

Information Items

7. Landon’s Legacy Emergency Response Training will be held Saturday, November 8, 2025, at the Chandler Innovation Center (9 a.m.–1 p.m.).
8. Members noted the need to replenish promotional giveaway items before spring events.
9. Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 9, 2025, at 7:00 a.m. at Civitan, 1700 W. Warner Rd., Chandler. Meeting to include a facility tour following adjournment.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 a.m. by Chair Hespel.


Becky Kuiper, Recreation Superintendent


Bill Hespel, Chair