

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
DISABILITY SERVICES COUNCIL

May 18, 2006

Central Office Conference Room

FINAL MINUTES (Approved 11/03/2006)

Members Present:

Anthony Lineberry, Chair
Bonnie Ryan, Consumer
Ronald Lanier, DDHH
Douglas Cox, DOE
James Rothrock, DRS
James Taylor, DBVI (Representative for Joe Bowman)

Members Absent

Thomas Michael, Vice Chair
Joseph Bowman, DBVI

Others Present

Linda Turner, BISSWVA
Helen Butler, BISSWVA
John Kidd, Charlotte County Meals on Wheels
Carter Hamlett, Charlotte County Meals on Wheels
Kim Adderley, Cavalier Reporting
Bernadette Mayhall, Interpreter
Elaine Hernandez, Interpreter
Eldon James, Rap Regional DSB
Rhonda Sober, Crater DSB
Rev. W. Ed Mansfield, Fifth PDC DSB
Linda Moore, Prince William DSB
Ngozi Ukeje, Chesterfield DSB
Harry Weinstock, BIAV
Mary-Margaret Cash, DRS
Richard Kriner, DRS
Sheila Williams, DRS

Call to Order/Welcome./Introduction of Members and Guests

Anthony Lineberry, Chairperson, called the meeting to order and welcomed the members and guests to the meeting.

Approval of May 17, 2005, Minutes

Bonnie Ryan requested that her comments to go forward with reviewing the RSIF process be included. The minutes were approved with changes.

Public Comments

Eldon James, Executive Director, Rappahannock Regional DSB thanked the Commissioner for hiring Richard Kriner as the new Program Manger for the Disability Services Boards. Mr. James made comments on the Needs Assessment Survey Instrument and changes that need to be made. He also made comments about Rappahannock Regional DSB's RSIF Proposal and indicated that he would appreciate any consideration the Council could give.

Disability Services Boards Tri-Annual Needs Assessment

Richard Kriner gave a summary of the 2006 Needs Assessment and made recommendations for changes to the current survey instrument.

Review/Award of Rehabilitative Services Incentive Fund (RSIF)

Richard Kriner gave a brief history of the RSIF and explained the process of the RSIF Panel. Sixteen awards were granted with the amount to be determined later.

Disability Services Board Program Manager Updates

Richard Kriner gave a brief update stating his agenda for managing the Disability Services Boards and how he plans to visit each of the Boards in the future.

Public Comments

Harry Weinstock, Brain Injury Association of Virginia stated that his organization has been the recipient of several of the grants in the past. He made a suggestion that the match requirement be looked at. He also indicated the requirement that no personnel be allowed in the grant makes it very difficult sometimes for the subgrantee.

Rhonda Sober, Crater DSB, stated that a mixed message is been sent to the DSBs as far as the wording on the RSIF Guidelines. She also thanked the Council for funding the Crater DSB this year.

New Business

There was discussion of reviewing the grant process before the next round and that the same should be done as in the past of having a Council meeting and Statewide DSB meeting at the same location to accomplish this.

Next Meeting Date/Adjournment

It was decided to have another meeting in the fall. Meeting adjourned by James Rothrock.