

West Deptford Township Committee on the Disabled

RiverWinds Community Center,

1000 RiverWinds Drive, West Deptford, NJ

12, December 2017

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order by Colleen Cairns at RiverWinds Community Center at 6pm.

Adequate Notice Statement:

The following statement was read by Colleen Cairns, Adequate notice of this meeting has been given by notifying the South Jersey Times and the Courier Post, posting the meeting dates on the official bulletin board of the township and filing written notice with the Township Clerk on January 5th, 2017.

Roll Call:

In Attendance- Colleen Cairns, Robert Driscoll, Jack Magee, Laurie Newcomb, Lori Wadding and Committeeman Jim Robinson.

Flag Salute:

Members stood for the Flag Salute.

New Business:

No new business.

Old business:

Jack Magee made a motion to approve the 2017 November meeting minutes. Colleen Cairns seconded this motion. The committee voted to approve the November minutes as presented; Laurie Newcomb abstained from this vote.

Colleen Cairns gave the status of the Committee Initiatives. The school donations for the Special Education classrooms (full size headphones and fire-resistant bean bag chairs) are awaiting approval by the West Deptford Board of Education at the December 18th, 2017 meeting. The Riverwinds Special Needs Equipment donation (aquatic wheelchair) is in the process of being purchased, the equipment was available for a price at the approved amount including shipping.

Colleen Cairns discussed a goal for next year; start the discussion on funding initiatives earlier instead of waiting until November.

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Colleen Cairns discussed and reviewed the feedback of the attendees from the Disability Information Forum. The feedback was very positive.

Colleen Cairns suggested a few improvements for the next Disability Information Forum. An August meeting is needed to for more organization of the Forum. It was also suggested that the West Deptford Preschool program be invited to the Forum. There was also discussion on what to do with those vendors who did not show up. Suggested that we email them in January 2018 to see if they are still interested in being a part of the Forum. The students helping the vendors to carry in their bags is a must. The parking lot being roped off for the vendors was very helpful. Robert Driscoll said the ordering the rental tables went very smooth. Lori Wadding suggested that the vendors have a feedback form to fill out the day of the forum. Lori Wadding also suggested that the tables be set up differently to use more of the space. Laurie Newcomb suggested that we attend the Special Olympics at RiverWinds during February/March to promote the Forum. Robert Driscoll suggested that the date of the Forum be put on the West Deptford Township Calendar. Colleen Cairns suggested that if we are in the community rooms that we have registration coverage at the outside doors as well as the inside.

Committeeman Jim Robinson is checking on term expirations of members and those members are still interested in staying on. Bob Jonas needs to be asked if he is interested in staying on.

The meeting schedule for 2018 was discussed. The next meeting is on Tuesday, January 16, 2018.

No new correspondences.

Public Comment:

Colleen Cairns motioned to open the meeting up to the public and was seconded by Laurie Newcomb. No public comment was made. Colleen Cairns motioned to close the public comment portion and Robert Driscoll seconded this motion.

Motion to adjourn:

Jack Magee motioned to adjourn the meeting and Robert Driscoll seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Wadding