

West Deptford Township Committee on the Disabled
RiverWinds Community Center,
1000 RiverWinds Drive, West Deptford, NJ
18, June 2019

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order by Rose Cairns at RiverWinds Community Center at 6:00 pm.

Adequate Notice Statement:

The following statement was read by Rose Cairns, Adequate notice of this meeting has been given by notifying the South Jersey Times and the Courier Post, posting the meeting date on the official bulletin board of the township and filing written notice with the Township Clerk on January 3rd, 2019.

Roll Call:

In attendance- Colleen Cairns, Rose Cairns, Lori Wadding, Bob Jonas, Jack Magee

Flag Salute:

Members stood for the Flag Salute.

New Business:

The committee discussed new initiatives: Colleen Cairns gave update on Gloucester County Disability Employment fair on July 26, 9 AM -12 PM in Clayton. Committee discussed having someone attend to gather information and learn from the vendors in attendance. Pre-events on resume writing, etc. are being held on July 18 and 23. Rose will send information to committee.

Committee discussed promoting disability awareness at an appropriate event in the fall such as the past events that have focused on Autism and Down Syndrome awareness. Committee decided to research events to discuss at the next meeting in August.

Old Business:

The committee discussed hosting the sensory table at the RiverWinds concert series family nights on July 12, 19 and August 2. Rose discussed with Greg Black and the largest audience is expected for July 12. Rose asked that several members volunteer that evening. The committee previously ordered sensory items such as fidgets, etc. to use at the table. The following schedule was reached:

July 12: Colleen Cairns, Jack Magee and Lori Wadding

July 19: Colleen Cairns, Jack Magee and Bob Jonas

August 2; no one available, Rose will do outreach to see if any other members can attend.

Set-up will be at 6:00 PM. Lori Wadding volunteered to lend her tent.

The committee discussed purchasing t-shirts for members to wear at events when the committee is volunteering in the community to build awareness such as the concert series sensory table and the committee forums. Rose Cairns motioned to approve t-shirts not to exceed \$150 total (in the ten dollar range a piece). Jack Magee seconded the motion. The committee was all in favor. There are seven members on the committee, up to twelve t-shirts were approved in case there is a minimum order. If there is an order of twelve is required the extra t-shirts will be kept for the future. Rose will discuss the purchase with the township and then gather size information from the members. The option was recommended of having the committee name in small letters on the front of the shirt and larger on the back.

Rose Cairns updated the committee that the two previously approved high school scholarships were awarded.

The April meeting minutes were not approved because the attendees needed to give approval were not all at the meeting. The committee will again try to approve the minutes at the next meeting in August.

The May meeting minutes were reviewed, and Jack Magee motioned to approve the minutes. Lori Wadding seconded the motion. The committee was all in favor. Bob Jonas and Colleen Cairns did not vote as they were not in attendance.

Correspondence:

The committee received a request from Joan Pacini, a special education teacher in West Deptford. She is requesting consideration for purchase of a three wheeled bicycle for use by her students in the Multiply Disabled Classroom in the West Deptford Middle School. The committee discussed the initiative and Bob Jonas motioned to approve the purchase of one three wheeled bicycle and two to three bicycle helmets not to exceed \$400 in total. Jack Magee seconded the motion. The committee was all in favor. Rose Cairns will check on whether school board approval is needed and will work with the township to make the purchase.

Public Comment:

Rose Cairns motioned to open the meeting to the public. Jack Magee seconded the motion. No public comment was made. Rose Cairns motioned to close the public portion of the meeting. Jack Magee seconded the motion. Committee was all in favor.

Motion to Adjourn:

Bob Jonas motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:30pm. Colleen Cairns seconded this motion. Committee was all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen Cairns