

SRC MEETING MINUTES

April 28, 2016

ATTENDANCE Mariellen MacKay, Chair; Sherry Burbank, Peter Darling, Mary Grillo, Lisa Hinson-Hatz, Michelle Lapointe, Jennifer Meyer, Don Powers, Katherine Rogers, Charles Saia, David Smith and Susan Wolf-Downes

ABSENT WITH EXCUSE Ann Ackerman, David Dwyer, David Morgan, Robert Purcell, Lorrie Ripley, Denise Sleeper

VR STAFF Dee Clanton, Sharon DeAngelis, Bill Finn, Tina Greco, Jim Hinson, Ella McAllister, Jim Piet

PCA Jeanne Keith

GUESTS John Richards

STAFF INTRODUCTIONS

REVIEW OF AGENDA Approved as submitted

APPROVAL OF January 14, 2016 MINUTES

MOTION: Katherine Rogers moved to approve the minutes

SECOND: Chuck Saia

ACTION: All were in favor minutes accepted as written

CHAIR UPDATE - Mariellen MacKay: Mariellen apprised the SRC that she is terming out of the SRC and elections will be taking place at the June 20, 2016 SRC meeting. Mariellen also spoke to the SRC that there should be orientation for new members of the SRC.

DIRECTORS UPDATE - Lisa Hinson- Hatz – Lisa updated the SRC in regards to personnel. Lisa apprised the SRC that they are still waiting for regulations from the RSA in regards to the reauthorization. Lisa apprised the SRC of the four guidelines; Embrace Innovation and Opportunity; RSA Support; Challenge the norm in the process, and round table discussions with businesses and how VR can help. Lisa also apprised the SRC the three guides from the RSA for assistance; Transition Guide; Technical Assistance Circular; and Work Based Learning.

Lisa also shared the events of the CSAVR and NCSRC conferences she attended along with Nancy Rollins, Chuck Saia, Bill Finn and Sharon DeAngelis. Lisa apprised the SRC there will be a special VR/SRC event Thursday, May 26, 2016 from 1-4 pm. Kelly Myers of RKM will present the customer satisfaction survey results and following the presentation the SRC will have a networking opportunity from 2:30-4 pm.

BUSINESS ENGAGEMENT UNIT – Jim Hinson – Jim apprised the SRC of the Business Engagement Unit and explained the program to the SRC. The BEU works with businesses and gives support to these businesses. Jim answered questions from the SRC.

GOVERNORS COMMISSION ON DISABILITY – Charles Saia – Chuck shared the updates for GCD and CAP. Chuck apprised the committee that CAP has opened a very healthy dialog with VR counselors. Chuck apprised the committee that he will be attending a conference in Vermont with six other states to have open discussions in regard to changes.

Chuck also shared with the SRC the highlights of the CSAVR/NCSRC conferences in Washington DC he attended in April.

SPECIAL EDUCATION – Sherry Burbank – Sherry gave the updates for Special Education. Sherry apprised the SRC that they have chosen the final core groups for NEXT STEPS the schools chosen were; Raymond, Souhegan, Mascenic and Exeter. Sherry handed out to the SRC flyers in regards to the 11th annual Mental Health Awareness Day, which was held on May 7, 2016. Sherry also handed out a flyer to attend a film called Paper Tigers, One High School's Unlikely Success story which is scheduled for May 3, 2016 at the Red River Theater (see handouts)

POLICY COMMITTEE CHAIR'S REPORT – Sherry Burbank - Sherry presented an overview of the Policy Committee's review of FY16 2nd quarter data.

MOTION: Sherry Burbank made the recommendation to the SRC that NHVR not enter into an "order of selection"

SECONDED: Don Powers

ACTION: Motion accepted unanimously

STATE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL: - Susan Wolf-Downes – Susan apprised the SRC that there was a special meeting on where will be SILC be housed, it cannot be under VR. There is a special meeting on the DSU and where SILC will be housed

SERVICES FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED ADVISORY UPDATE:

Peter Darling – Peter gave the updates for SBVI Advisory Committee

DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE:

Don Powers – Don shared the updates for the SRC. Don apprised the SRC that they have added two more members. Don shared that there was a meeting with the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in regards to deaf employees. Don stated that it was a very good meeting. Don also shared with the SRC that he will be leaving in December.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS: Mariellen asked if there was any additional business. There being no further business, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Susan Wolf-Downes made the motion to adjourn

SECONDED: Charles Saia

ACTION: Motion accepted unanimously

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.