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## **MINUTES**

Name of Organization: Nevada Commission on Autism Spectrum Disorders

Community Education Subcommittee

Date and Time of Meeting: December 12, 2016

12:00 p.m.

Carson City: Aging and Disability Service Division

3427 Goni Rd. #102 Carson City, NV 89706

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

Ms. Robinson called the meeting for the Community Education Subcommittee to order at 12:01 p.m.

Members Present: Denise Robinson, Julie Ostrovsky, Carole Devon, Art Reitz, Casey Hayden, Jennifer Strobel

Guests: Lori Follett

Staff Present: Carol Reitz

A quorum was declared.

II. Public Comment (No action may be taken upon a matter raised under public comment period unless the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an action item)

Ms. Robinson informed the Subcommittee members that she reached out to Ms. Holly Villines who was interested in joining the subcommittee and is waiting to hear back from her.

- III. Approval of the Minutes from the November 23, 2016 Meeting
  - Ms. Devon made a motion to accept the minutes as they were written.
  - Mr. Reitz seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- IV. Review and Make Recommendations on the Contents of a Statewide Website to Present to the Autism Commission (For Possible Action)

Mr. Reitz informed the Subcommittee that he came up with a list of recommendations that he would like to see on a statewide Website. They are listed below:

- Resource list for North, South, and Rural areas
- Resources broken down by age (0-6) young child, (7-12) school age, (13-18) transition age, and (19+) adults
- What is autism?
- Community safety resources (First Responder training, sticker program and disability registry form)
- Online resources offering tool kits (brief descriptions on various subjects)
- Statewide conferences

Ms. Strobel suggested providing bilingual services that included a Spanish link. Ms. Devon suggested separating the support groups that are available in different areas of the state.

There was discussion about what should be contained within the Website and if the other Subcommittees should have input on the contents of the Website. Ms. Reitz reminded the Subcommittee that they would need to submit a letter to the Commission with their suggestions. Ms. Ostrovsky told the Subcommittee that the Commission would have to make the request since there are financial implications tied to the Website.

Ms. Robinson reported to the Subcommittee that she had a conversation with Mr. Daulton in which he had offered to put together the Website that would be administered through the State. Ms. Ostrovsky told them that as a Subcommittee, they were not able to enter into a public/private partnership agreement and would have to come through the Commission.

Ms. Ostrovsky said they would not have control over the editorial comments and wouldn't want that on the Website.

V. Report on Progress Made for Training Curriculum and CEUs (Continuing Education Units) for the Medical Profession Including Outline, Application Process for CEUs for Nursing, Contact with Mitchell Hines

Ms. Casey informed the Subcommittee that she observed the first responder training presented by the JUSTin HOPE Foundation at Metro Police. She liked the content but felt it would require modifications for the medical professionals. She told the Subcommittee that she listed herself as the instructor and JUSTin

HOPE as the provider on the application for CEUs. She will update them with the information as she receives it.

## VII. Confirm Dates for Future Meetings

The Subcommittee decided their next meeting would be on January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. Mr. Reitz made a motion to accept the date and time of the next meeting. Ms. Hayden seconded the motion. The motion passed.

VIII. Public Comment (No action may be taken upon a matter raised under public comment period unless the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an action item)

There was no public comment.

## IX. Adjournment

Ms. Robinson adjourned the meeting at 12:30 p.m.