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Name of Organization: Nevada Assistive Technology Council (AT Council)

Date and Time of Meeting: Wednesday January 30, 2019 at 10:00 am

This meeting will be held and video conferenced at the following locations:

Reno: Nevada Disability Advocacy and Law Center (NDALC)
1875 Plumas St., Suite 1
Reno, NV 89509

Las Vegas: Nevada Disability Advocacy and Law Center (NDALC)
2820 W. Charleston Blvd., Suite 11
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1. Welcome, Roll Call and Introductions
Brian Patchett, Chairperson

Members Present: Ms. Julie Bowers and Mr. Brian Patchett

Members Absent: Ms. Debra Collins

Guests: Mr. Scott Youngs, Mr. Eric Pesquera, Mr. Chris Jarvis, Mr. George Mckinley, Mr. Jack Mayes, Ms. Dora Uchel.

Staff: Mr. John Rosenlund, Ms. Cheyenne Pasquale, Ms. Wendy Thornley and Ms. Tiffani Curtis.

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2. Verification of Postings
Brian Patchett, Chairperson

Ms. Tiffani Curtis verified the posting.

3. 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.)

No Public Comment at this time.

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes from November 28, 2018 Meeting (**For Possible Action**)
Brian Patchett, Chairperson

Ms. Julie Bowers motioned to approve the minutes.

Mr. Brian Patchett seconded the motion.

Motion carries.

5. Follow Up Discussion and Make Possible Recommendations On Awareness Day For Legislature And The Letter For The Legislature To Increase Independent Living Funds For Individuals Who Are Blind Or Visually Impaired That Need Assistive Technology. A Follow Up To Senate Bill 419 (**For Possible Action**)
Brian Patchett, Chairperson

Mr. Brian Patchett stated that the AT Council has book the lobby at the Legislature on March 7th from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM to provide Legislators with information and demonstrations on Assistive Technology.

Mr. John Rosenlund will contact collaborative partners to find out if they can attend and if they can provide AT for the council to display.

Mr. John Rosenlund and Mr. Brian Patchett are also to work together to complete a letter to be given to Legislators.

Ms. Julie Bowers motioned to book for March 7th given that enough people can be present at that event.

Mr. Brian Patchett seconded the motion.

Motion carries.

6. Report On Nevada AT Collaborative Projects Overview.
John Rosenlund, NV Assistive Technology Collaborative Director

Mr. John Rosenlund presented a report on the Nevada AT Collaborative Projects which broke down each section of the project. The overview covers who the community providers are statewide and the services that are provided and required by the act. For more information please see the meeting material "NATC Overview 2019".

7. Discussion Of Annual Reports For AT Collaboratives.
John Rosenlund, NV Assistive Technology Collaborative Director

Mr. John Rosenlund discussed the general information and highlights founded within the annual report for AT collaboratives. He discussed the Financial Lending Program, the Independent Living Program and others including the Assistive Technology Reutilization Program. For more information please see the meeting material "FFY2018-Condensed NATC Annual Report".

8. Report From Nevada EITS on Website Reports and Accessibility.
Brian Patchett, Chairperson

Item was tabled until the next meeting.

9. Review And Make Possible Recommendations Regarding The Four Priorities For The Council Which Includes:
 - A. Asking The Legislature And Agencies For Funding To Place Into Independent Living Services For Individuals Who Are Blind Or Visually Impaired To Follow Up Senate Bill 419,
 - B. Working With The Legislature To Improve Children Receiving And Utilizing Assistive Technology,
 - C. To Ensure That The Council is Compliant With Federal Tech Act,
 - D. And To Ensure The Websites Are Easily Accessible To The Public **(For Possible Action)**Brian Patchett, Chairperson

Ms. Julie Bowers accepted these items as main priorities of the council and motioned to keep these four priorities.

Mr. Brian Patchett seconded the motion.

Motion Carries.

10. Report from NDALC on Protection and Advocacy.
Jack Mayes, NDALC

Mr. Jack Mayes is still finalizing year end reports for NDALC. These items will be available for the public as soon as they are finalized. Mr. Jack Mayes also covered the highlights of the report that pertain to Assistive Technology.

11. Discuss Future Agenda Items and Confirm Next Meeting Dates **(For Possible Action)**
Brian Patchett, Chairperson

Possible next date for the AT Council would be March 13th from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at NDALC.

Future Agenda Items will include:

- Finding out how to reach rural regions to provide services to these communities.
- Individual updates for all four priorities of the AT Council.
- Report on Legislature Day for the AT Council (March 7th, 2019).
- Discussion on Senate Bill 419.
- Dianna from Elko NDALC advocate to give a presentation.
- Update on membership.

12. 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)

Mr. Jack Mayes asked if the council would consider sending information about becoming a member in peoples closing letters to improve membership of the council.

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Mr. Scott Youngs recommends when the AT Council goes to the legislature they have as many users of AT to advocate for themselves as he feels it would have a better impact on Legislators.

Mr. Scott Youngs also pointed out that the Legislative Session is not very accessible for individuals of the public. He suggests that the council works on sending a letter to educate them on how to be more accessible for the public and individuals with disabilities. He also asked the council to consider having him on the next agenda as an AT Collaborative partner to give update presentation.

Ms. Dora Uchel mentioned that the family engagement council membership was not very accessible as she went online to fill out a form and it was not accessible. She said it took a while to hear back from someone with the school district to get back to her with a fillable form. She also expressed interest in engaging with the legislature but she would need transportation. The National Federation of the Blind will be at the Legislature, for BDR 172 about parental rights bill, on March 13th from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM she was looking for support from the council.

13. Adjournment (**For Possible Action**)

Brian Patchett, Chairperson

Meeting was adjourned at 11:41 AM.

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Current Members: Brian Patchett, Julie Bowers, Debra Collins

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