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

Date and Time of Meeting: June 14, 2022
10:00 a.m.

This meeting is open to the public and will be held at the following location:

Nevada Department of Health and Human Services
Aging and Disability Services Division
3416 Goni Road Suite D-132, Carson City, NV 89706

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1. Welcome and Introductions, Roll Call and Verification of Posting
Lance Ledet, Chairperson

Members present: John Rosenlund, Lance Ledet, Debra Collins, Steven Cohen, Victoria Essner, Minerva Rivera

Members excused absent: Connor Fogal

Guests: Ashley Price, David and Lola Winik, Allen Gilbert, Nevada Action Coalition, Scott Youngs and Marjorie Olaes/NATRC, Jack Mayes/NDALC

Staff: Adrienne Navarro, Dawn Lyons/SILC, Lisa Torres, Deanna Gay

Cart Provider: Becky Van Aucken

John Rosenlund requested and Lance Ledet asked members and attendees to introduce themselves:

-Steven Cohen: Self-advocate and AT User.

-Debra Collins: From the Nevada Nursing and Healthcare Workforce Center.

-Victoria ("Vicky") Essner: She is with the Bureau of Blind and Visually Impaired at DETR as well as a user of AT.

-Minerva Rivera: Introduced herself as from the Southern Nevada Center for Independent Living, and a user of AT.

-John Rosenlund: Introduced himself as with Aging and Disability Services Division, which is the leading agency for the assistive technology programs. He is the Assistive Technology director for the state assistive technology programs and is an assistive technology user.

-David Winik: Introduced himself as an 83-year-old, who is blind with Parkinson's disease disability and an AT User (provided by the NATRC)

-Jack Mayes: Introduced himself as the Executive Director of the Nevada Disability Advocacy and Law Center, present to watch the Council meeting, and an AT User.

-Ashley Price: Introduced herself as from the Nevada Department of Education, Office of Inclusive Education.

-Marjory Olaes: Introduced herself as from the Nevada Assistive Technology Resource Center and an AT user.

-Scott Youngs: Introduced himself as the Project Manager for the Nevada Assistive Technology Resource Center at the Center for Excellence in Disabilities (at the University of Reno).

-Adrienne Navarro: Introduced herself as the Chief of Advocacy and Community Services with Aging and Disability Services Division.

-Lisa Torres: She is with Aging and Disability Services Division and is the Community Engagement Coordinator.

-Dawn Lyons: She is the Executive Director of the Nevada Statewide Independent Living Council and the host of this meeting.

2. 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. Public comment at the beginning and end of the agenda may be limited to three minutes per person at the discretion of the chairperson. Members of the public may comment on matters not appearing on this agenda or may offer comment on specific agenda items. Comments may be discussed by the Assistive Technology Council, but no action may be taken. The matter may be placed on a future agenda for action)

-There was no public comment.

3. The Council's Review and Approval of Recommendations of the Drafted 2021 through 2023 State Plan for the Nevada Assistive Technology Collaborative for Approval by the Council to Submit the State Plan to the Administration for Community Living by July 1, 2022. We Plan to Review Each Section of the State Plan and the Response for the Nevada Assistive Technology Collaborative's Services and Partners **(For Possible Action)**

John Rosenlund, Nevada Assistive Technology Collaborative Director

- Intent of this meeting is to review the state plan and look at what services are listed on there and review it.
- Thanked Dawn Lyons of the Nevada SILC for hosting the meeting.
- National Assistive Technology system. Created through the ACL contract (NATADS). There has been a transition from Department of Education, federal level RSA to the ACL and it has been challenging over the years to create a system to have both a state plan and a reporting system.
- The state plan was provided for the meeting in a word format. ACL has not been able to create an accessible system for a state plan that could be uploaded. This was created for the federal level by a university that created the NATADS system. Will continue to use until ACL has an alternative. The Assistive Technology Resource Centers use this for day-to-day operations currently.

Going through the state plan:

- The program is called the Nevada Assistive Technology Collaborative.
- Every state has a lead agency who receives the federal grant money to disburse these funds. Currently disability services are with Aging and Disability Services Division and so this is now the lead agency in the state of Nevada. The office is in Reno (John's office). John's role is also to keep things in compliance with any issues related to the Act.
- Implementing Entity: Instead of contracting out or having an agreement with other agency(s) to implement all the services that Nevada plans to do and is defined in the state plan, Nevada took a different approach and created a collaborative, using more than one outside partner.
- John Rosenlund reviewed the entire state plan. The final lending section would need to be updated once information was received, no other part of the state plans was identified for changes.
- Steven Cohen moved to approve the 2021 to 2023 AT state plan as with staff authorized to make material changes prior to submission to ACL.
Debra Collins seconded the motion.
All members present voted Aye, motion was passed.

4. Discussion and Make Possible Determination of Issues and Agenda Items to be Considered or Deliberated at the Next Meeting **(For Possible Action)**

Lance Ledet, Chairperson

John Rosenlund will provide list of agenda items carried forward from the last few meetings, and will send these agenda items to the Council prior to the next meeting in August once scheduled.

5. Confirm Date for Future Meeting **(For Possible Action)**

Lance Ledet, Chairperson

A Doodle poll will be sent out to schedule a meeting 2nd week of August, as discussed in May 2022 meeting. Lance will reach out directly to member Fogel to verify which days of the week he is able to attend.

6. Public Comment (May Include General Announcements by Commissioners) (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. Public comment at the beginning and end of the agenda may be limited to three minutes per person at the discretion of the chairperson. Members of the public may comment on matters not appearing on this agenda or may offer comment on specific agenda items. Comments may be discussed by the Board, but no action may be taken. The matter may be placed on a future agenda for action)

-Debra Collins: Thanked everyone who held out for this meeting and participated and wished everyone a Happy Father's Day.

John Rosenlund: -

-Applications for AT Council Memberships for Ashley Price and David Winik are in process, as well as renewal application for Lance Ledet.

-He is looking forward to updates from CARE Chest as they expand their efforts, which is in alignment with the AT Council's effort for more broad-based (services).

Lance Ledet: Thanked John for the presentation, and all the Council members coming to go through the state plan (which happens just once a year).

7. Adjournment

Lance Ledet, Chairperson

Meeting was adjourned at 1:50pm.

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