

Subcommittee Report

Accessibility Subcommittee Report						
Meeting Date:	12 /13/2022	Report Submitted	by: Susan Beckett			
Submission Date:	1/20/2023	Meeting Platform	: Zoom			
Subcommittee	Present		Absent			
Attendance:	1. Susan Beckett		1.			
	2. Laura Fink		2.			
	 Ace Patrick Sandra LaPalm Tim Smalley 		3.			
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			5.			
Quorum Met:	Yes Ac		Accommodation(s) Provided:			
		·	2 Interpreters and 1 captioner			

Meeting Summary:

- Tim Smalley was appointed to the Accessibility Subcommittee after the resignation of Lance Ledet.
- A formal process for dealing with community concerns was discussed. Currently, the Executive Director tirages and brings to the commission. There needs to be a more formal process in place.
- Goals and Needs of the Community and how it relates to the State Plan. Information from the data received from the Townhall Qualitative Data Analysis was used to discuss the Goals and Needs of the Community. These included accessibility issues are ongoing people having to bring their own interpreters to government buildings, no signage or captioning at airports, traffic accommodations such as lights that blink to inform drivers of oncoming emergency responders.
- The need for more funding for ASL Anywhere might be needed and the commission search for additional funding options.
- SB318 Language access plans for government agencies and tightening up the language to specify deaf and hard of hearing access.
- Support of BDR 165 that changes vehicle registration to include the D Deaf, HH Hard of Hearing, SI Speech Impaired.
- Statewide Accessibility sustainability and TDD Surcharge alternative funding options was tabled until the March 7, 2023, meeting.

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Current Project(s):

- Ongoing reviews of the State Plan and what we are currently in need of. Due to the nature of the subcommittee being that of accessibility there will be a consistent need to be able to address issues as they arrive and not only plan for.
- Alternative Funding options to support the needs of the Commission.

For Possible Action:				
Recommendation(s):	 Request the commission discuss what kind of a form or process they would like to see and then send it back to the accessibility subcommittee to finalize. Search for additional funding for ASL Anywhere. Consider TDD surcharge alternative funding. 			
Request(s):	 1.The Commission to discuss and begin the creation of a grievances form or process which members of the community can complete when they are having issues within the boundaries of the State of Nevada and are reaching out for assistance. 2.The Commission begins to search for additional funding for the ASL Anywhere program. 			
Additional Notes:				
Next Meeting: 06	5/06/2023 Requested Platform: Zoom			

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